




# JANUARY 2021

HAPPY NEW YEAR

# COUNTRY ROADS COURIER

NEWSLETTER OF COUNTRY ROADS

An Age 55 and over Homeowner Community

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[www.countryroadsyuma.com](http://www.countryroadsyuma.com)

General Manager Vanessa Harris



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year.....  
We're Thankful 2020 has passed  
Now for Some 2021 Resolutions

**Be Thankful:** For Health, Country Roads, CR Employee work on our behalf and Arizona Sunshine!

**Be Active:** Exercise with your mask & Social Distance. Explore creative, new hobbies and learning in this challenging time.

**Be Involved:** Join webinar BOD meetings, share your talents, experience and opinions to help us make the best decisions. Consider running for a board position. Despite (or because of) Covid 19, it is a busy season.

**Volunteer:** Reach out to assist neighbors & friends in new ways. Contact Activities or Vanessa, our manager to share your interest and match your talents with groups or projects.

**Have Fun:** Treasure and enjoy each day, helping to make our CR Home better and better.

**HAPPY 2021**  
Pat Tuckwell  
President - CRRVV



HAPPY NEW YEAR and may this be a much different year than the last one. It seems like the Marketing Committee has been in a "hold" position for almost a year, but looking back there have been positive events that have occurred. Marketing has continued to be involved in the development of the new Country Roads website and continues to work behind the scenes to enhance what is currently viewed by the public. Our new website is much more visitor focused rather than resident focused. This will be a definite asset in attracting more people to our wonderful Park. We know our new site is a "work in progress" and are actively critiquing it to improve our visibility to the internet world.

Our Volunteer Ambassadors continue to be active in the Welcome Office, seeing visitors daily who are interested in learning about Country Roads. It surprised some of us that so many people would be coming into our Park this year, but it is a welcome surprise. Thank you Ambassadors for all you are doing for our Park. (continued..)

Many of our new residents have questions about various aspects of Country Roads, In the past Marketing has always held numerous in person Welcome Orientation meetings for new residents to provide information about our Park and to answer any questions residents have. This year due to the pandemic we have not been able to hold these monthly groups. BUT, stay tuned to the BLAST as we hope to have several unique welcome/ orientation groups during the month of January and early February. At the time this column is written it is not been determined if these will be actual meetings held on the patio or Zoom sessions over the internet. As soon as this is determined the BLAST will be informing everyone of dates, times, and types of meetings.

Suzanne Brauer  
Marketing Chair  
303-886-0116





# EDITOR'S MESSAGE

please send your articles to:  
[denmyrn41@gmail.com](mailto: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 or 360.468.3066

## IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE CR MANAGER AND THE COURIER EDITOR TO COURIER CONTRIBUTORS

Please keep in mind that the purpose of the Country Roads RV Village Newsletter is to connect and inform our Residents of current events and announcements. We appreciate your submission and are looking for articles and content that align with this mission.

### Structure:

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Article will not repeat monthly, monthly resubmission is required

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### OUR CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

- Billiards
- B.I.N.G.O.
- Bridge
- Can/Am Friendship
- Catholic Fellowship
- Ceramics
- Choral/Drama
- Church Choir
- Clogging
- Computers
- Country Red Roses Red Hatters
- Country Roads Community Church
- Craft Fair
- 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
- Volleyball: Water/Sand
- Women's Fellowship
- Woodcarving
- Woodshop
- Writer's
- Zumba Gold



## LADIES OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH

Please join us for the first Saturday luncheon!!

It will be on Saturday, January 2nd at Chretins Mexican food. The address is 505 E. 16th Street.

We will meet at noon on the patio. Still no white elephants and, drive or, ride with a friend.

Please RSVP to Smidty by 2:00 on Friday, the first.

Call or text me at 650-619-6423

Email is [smidty\\_111@msn.com](mailto:smidty_111@msn.com) lot #878

Hope to see you there as we start the new year!!

Thanks!!!!

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650-619-6423

## KETO



Yes indeed, the Keto Train will pull out of the station on Monday, January 4th with hopefully all on board. Please note the time change and location change Keto veterans.

Mojave Room: 9:45 am 11:15 am.

Only 10 persons per session so imperative you contact me to sign up. Is there room for ALL? Of course. New Keto Buddies are welcome. Contact person:

Judy Robertson #775

Text: 208-412-9845



I don't think anyone is sorry to see 2020 go by the wayside. At this new year beginning we can only hope and pray that 2021 will be an improvement. Unfortunately in our corner of the world the virus statistics don't seem to be improving. Unless they change drastically and quickly the indoor occupancy numbers will most likely remain at 10, which leaves out Men's Fellowship. We are exploring the possibility of meeting at a church nearby. Due to Covid restrictions and working with the church schedule the program will look a bit different than we are used to. In my opinion the importance of men being able to fellowship and encourage one another is worth trying to make this work even if it looks a little different.

I'm writing this in early December, so there are things I don't know now. Im hoping to start Jan. 13 or 20. There is more than one way to communicate with you but none are likely to reach all of you. I'm trying to build an email list in an attempt to reach as many as possible at one time. My request of you is to send me an email indicating you want to be on the Men's Fellowship email list. About the first week or 10 days of January I would hope to be able to send you an email giving start date, times, locations, etc.

Thanks. We can make this happen.  
Jerry Opp

# Happy New Year 2021



TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY

TOPS -- January 2021 Courier TOPS, which stands for Taking Off Pounds Sensibly, is a national group with local chapters and one right here in our Country Roads RV Village.

TOPS, consisting of both men and women, meets every Friday morning in the Mojave Room at 9 a.m. with weigh-in's from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. We usually have a program by one of the members.

Non-members are welcome to attend their first meeting to observe. This year, due to Covid-19 restrictions and park guidelines, we are only allowed 10 persons in the Mojave Room at one time so we can socially distance. If we have more in attendance we will meet on the patio. So, if you come at 9 a.m. to the Mojave Room and don't find the group, look for us on the patio.

In December, the executive board decided, due to Covid-19, to do weigh-in's only with no meeting. The weigh-in's were from 8 to 8:30 a.m. on Fridays. This may have confused some of you who were trying to find our group. We are sorry for any confusion it may have caused.

We are a fun group of neighbors who have lots of great healthy eating, weight loss tips, and exercise ideas to share, so don't hesitate to try us! Please remember to wear a mask as it is a requirement. If you have any questions, you can contact our leader, Diane Shelton at 360-319-6017.

Leta Danielson, secretary,

Lot 1237





# EAGER BEAVER WOODCARVERS



Woodcarving is underway here in Country Roads. We are not up to full force without our funloving Canadian buddies but we are still chipping along quite nicely with our tools, masks and social distancing. We just have to talk a little louder to be heard. If you are planning to attend please call 928-726-6697 to get the times that we will be there.

Sadly, we have lost yet another of our long time and much loved members. This time it was to Covid 19. Gordie contracted it and even though it was a light case he just didn't have the strength to fight it off. Such a skilled and talented gentleman. He will be sorely missed. God Bless, Gordo. We all loved you.

Myrna Mattson, President



## NEW

For more information contact:

Steven Thornburg  
928-581-2838  
Lot 1292



Hi everyone, I realize we are not all down in Yuma, but thought I would include you as well. The class will be held at 10:00 am Thurs. in the Mohave room with the subject re the military, in any way you are familiar with, whether it be a family member or not. Initially, the title for Thurs was "under cover military." But write it up how you perceive it. I have not covered everyone in emails as my contact list is in Yuma. So pass this on to those I missed, especially if they are in the park. I sent to those at home as well, in case they care to participate online. It would keep our "juices flowing" as Jo would so aptly put it! For now I will have Mary Hildebrandt as your contact She can be reached at #366, ph. no .715-966-1621 for any further info. Thank you, Jackie (in Alberta) (403)625-5504

Everyone take care and stay safe, as

we are doing up here



world!

in this crazy

### CALLING ALL NEW RESIDENTS



### BE WATCHING THE "BLAST" FOR INFORMATION REGARDING UPCOMING WELCOME/ORIENTATION MEETINGS.

Please join us as Marketing Committee will provide an upbeat informational welcome and presentation regarding all that is available to you as residents of Country Roads



"We are all a little weird and life's a little weird, and when we find someone whose weirdness is compatible with ours, we join up with them and fall in mutual weirdness and call it love."

~ Dr. Seuss

**13yr olds today are having relationship stress. When I was that age, I closed the fridge door slowly to see how the light goes off**



# COUNTRY ROADS COMMUNITY CHURCH



WELCOME NEW PASTORS, Judy Downing and David Tscherene and sadly, goodbye to Pastor Buddy. Who is leaving us to move to Illinois to be with family. Our new Pastors have already started conducting Services on the Patio each Sunday at 11 AM. Social distance seating is available for up to 50 masked persons.

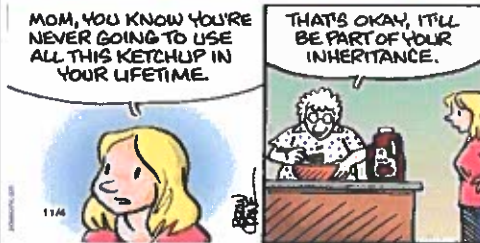
Pastor Judy can be reached at lot 1036, phone 928-287-2287 email: [judithlynn Downing@gmail.com](mailto:judithlynn Downing@gmail.com) and Pastor David can be reached at Lot 290, phone 567-331-0144, or email: [davidtscherne@gmail.com](mailto:davidtscherne@gmail.com)

# BOCCE



Bocce Ball playing is on Tuesdays and Saturdays at 9 am . The days and times are subject to change after we get it going. It is an easy , fun game for anyone. Come out and join in, everyone welcome. Wear your mask and bring your own hand sanitizer. Any questions?

Call Nita 509.631.1348



# THE NEW VACCINE



I just wanted to let you know that I volunteered for the vaccine trials for Covid-19, held at Memorial Hospital. I didn't want to say anything right away because of all the mixed media and opinions surrounding it. The vaccine that I volunteered to get is the one that was developed in Russia. I received my first jab yesterday at 12pm and I wanted to tell you that it's completely safe, with no side effects whatsoever, and that I feelshкi я чувствую себя немного странно и я думаю, что вытащил ослиные уши. чувствую себя немного странно.



# COUNTRY ROADS GUYS AND GALS GOLF CLUB

With 2020 finally behind us, our hopes are for a much better 2021 and for the opening of the borders so our northern friends can come down and enjoy some of Mother Nature's Vitamin D.

These times have definitely changed our way of doing things. Due to Covid, we were unable to meet inside the ballroom and temperatures were getting too cold to meet outside, which resulted in suspending our Monday meetings. Club communication (weekly results, sign-up and pairing sheets, etc.) is now done via the Facebook page and bulletin board.

We're still enjoying the six courses available to us weekly. Some upcoming events: Guys & Gals Saturday Fun Golf January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> & another day at Yuma G&CC.

All skill levels are welcomed to join. Feel free to reach out if you have any questions.

Happy New Year!

Tracy Bresnahan

President

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Lot #1225





## FROM THE POOL ROOM

The Billiard Room continues to be open, under COVID19 restrictions, and we have managed to get some of our regular club activities up and running again. We are running our Women's, Men's, and Mixed Doubles weekly tournaments, with the provision that no more than 10 people can be in the Billiard Room at any given time. Thus, on Monday evenings, Women have the choice of tables, and priority if the maximum occupancy is reached. The same applies for Couples and Men on Wednesday evenings and Friday afternoons respectively. Also, our handicapped tournaments will restart if enough players sign up. These games involve only two players at a time, and the players arrange for mutually agreeable playing times.

At times other than these scheduled tournament times, the Billiard Room is open for all park residents. Only about half of the tables are available for play, with a vacant table between any two tables that are in use, and with a limit of ten people at a time in the room. Face masks that cover your nose and mouth are required. Sanitize your hands before beginning play, using the provided hand sanitizing solutions. Safe social distancing is required. At the start and end of play, use the provided 70% isopropyl alcohol spray bottle to disinfect the table, balls, chalk holders and other equipment that gets used during play.

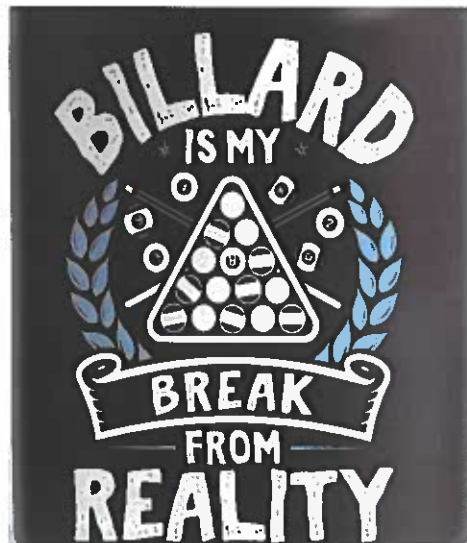
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Yuma Parks and Recreation has cancelled all indoor Senior Games events that are not being conducted in City owned facilities, so in-park registration and Pool Shooting events will not occur this season.

Our Annual Club Meeting will be held in an as yet to be determined, socially distanced, COVID19 safe manner in January. We will have club business to discuss, and some board positions to fill. Even if you are not in the park currently, but you will be in January, please seriously consider running for one of the vacant board positions. Just let one of the current Board members know of your intention.

Women and men of all skill levels are encouraged to join the Billiards Club and participate in Club activities. Our membership fee is \$10.00 per year. The fee includes free admission to our year-end banquet and special members-only tournament in March (if we can have them), so it is definitely worth joining the club. To join, fill out the required information on the preprinted envelope provided near the snooker table, insert \$10.00 (cash) into the envelope, and deposit it into the lock box on the wall. Afterwards, find Terry Moser to get your official Billiards Club sticker.

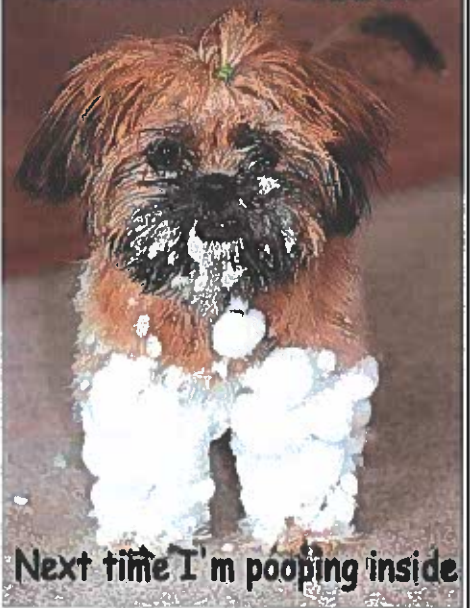
Gerry McNab,  
Billiards Club President



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COUNTRY ROADS  
LIBRARY CLOSED  
UNTIL FURTHER  
NOTICE**



## Snow Pants



Next time I'm pooping inside



# Line Dancing

We have been enjoying the added health benefits of fresh air and sunshine during our Saturday morning line dancing classes, since they have been moved outdoors to the patio! I say "added" because line dancing already provides health benefits of better coordination, better balance, calorie burning, muscle strengthening, social connections, mental improvements, and of course laughter! It's all good!

We are following the safety protocols of staying 6 ft apart, wearing masks if desired, not sharing any items, and limiting our number to 50 people. Thank you to everyone for doing these things so we are safe and can continue our enjoyment and exercise at Saturday morning dances.

Classes begin at 9:30 AM for EZ Line Dancing (beginners), and continue at 10 AM for Line Dancing 1, for those more experienced. We end with The Extra 10, a more challenging dance for those who would like that. If you are coming for the first time, please bring a slip of paper with your name and email address printed clearly, and drop it in the orange bowl. That will put you on our class email list and you will receive updates and a list of dances for the week, complete with demos you can click on and practice with.

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Remember to bring water, and comfortable shoes to dance on concrete.

Keep on dancing, one step at a time,  
JoAnn Opp

503-312-1226



# POTTERY STUDIO CLUB



Pottery club and studio is open on a limited basis this Season, due to COVID restrictions. Our top goal is that our members are healthy and safe while in the studio, and that we are allowed to remain open. We are short-handed this year, and are not able to offer Beginner classes, or classes of any kind, or Mentoring, partly due to a lack of teachers and partly because we cannot remain 6 ft apart and teach pottery effectively. We usually offer face-to-face and nose-to-nose mentoring so beginners can learn to do it well and safely. If you have had a Pottery class or are experienced in Pottery, and are comfortable on your own around the various machinery and chemicals we use, please contact a Pottery officer, listed below.

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We must limit studio use to 10 people at a time, maximum, and sign ups are on the back table. Gloves must be worn in the Studio when touching common items. We are not holding our monthly potluck Socials this season, and encourage members to stay home if they are not feeling well. We are looking forward to the day when restrictions are eased and we can once again safely do Pottery Club "as usual". Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Bonnie Willard  
Janice Gilmore  
JoAnn Opp



Roses are red. Tacos are delicious.

I use paper plates because I hate doing dishes.



## ELECTION REPORT JANUARY 2021

Did you know that it is our Board of Directors that governs our park? There are seven directors seated on the board, on a rotating basis either two or three directors are voted on each year to fill the open positions. This year, in March at our Annual Meeting we will be voting on two (2) open positions. **If you are interested in being a candidate you must hurry, resumes are due at the homeowners' office 4:00 PM Monday January 11, 2021.** Resumes are to be one page in a word document, or similar, no PDF documents. PDF documents do not reproduce well in the City Property software where they are visible for any homeowner to view on the Homeowner portal. Photos of candidates will be taken at that same time, if you are submitting a resume, but not residing in the park at this time please submit a photo with your resume. Any homeowner in good standing is eligible to be a candidate. Other skills and characteristics to be considered include, listening to both sides before making a decision, communicating well with others, basic computer skills to include e-mail, having the time to partake of all board meetings, committee meetings and doing research. Also, a candidate should be familiar with our CC&R's, Rules & Regulations, and Bylaws, and be willing to abide by them. Do you fit these qualifications, or does someone you know fit them? WE NEED CANDIDATES TO VOTE ON! Please consider throwing your name in the hat and giving us a choice at the ballot box.

The ballots will be mailed the end of January to each homeowner, this is an Arizona statute. In the voting packet will be your ballot and a resume of all candidates. You may vote by mail using the return envelope that is in your packet which will go to City Property in Phoenix, or you may drop that envelope in the ballot box that is in the homeowners' office. You may also vote electronically going through the City Property Website, [cityproperty.com](http://cityproperty.com) and the homeowner portal. There will be detailed instructions for this on the back of the cover letter in your ballot packet. ALL PAPER BALLOTS MUST HAVE NAME, LOT, AND SIGNATURE ON THEM TO BE VALID AND BE COUNTED. We encourage you to look into electronic voting, when you submit your electronic vote as that is your valid signature.

Now, for you to receive your ballot the end of January the office needs your correct mailing address for **ALL LOTS YOU OWN. Deadline for any correction is: January 15, 2021.** There have been many sales these past several months, PLEASE check with the office 928-344-8910, email Sandra in the office. [sdelgado@cityproperty.com](mailto:sdelgado@cityproperty.com), OR you can go to the City Property website and check your address there and make changes. In the December courier election article, page 7, available on the CR website, are detailed instructions for the City Property homeowner portal. On the website you will find the Courier under the tab "About" scroll down to Newsletters.

Another important item for you is to be sure your account is totally current. **The Record Date is the last business day before the ballots are mailed. That will be: January 22, 2021.** All dues, work orders, fines and late fees must be current for your vote to count. This can also be checked out on the City Property Website homeowner portal, or through the office if you have any questions.

So many of our announcements and information coming from the homeowners' office comes out on the BLAST, through e-mail. Did you know you could sign up for the blast at the bottom of the Country Roads Website? [countryroadsyuma.com](http://countryroadsyuma.com) Notices for the board meeting webinars are given on the blast.

Happy New Year to all of you

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