

JANUARY 2020 COUNTRY ROADS COURIER

NEWSLETTER OF COUNTRY ROADS

An Age 55 and over Homeowner Community

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General Manager Vanessa Harris

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



The many activities that each of us contribute to reflect both love and dedication. And, boy, high season is with us and the activities they are humming. Every day in every part of our beautiful park we are having fun, relaxing and, most important of all, enjoying each other. Every club and sport is using up every nook and cranny of the commons and spilling out into volleyball courts and outlying buildings. The ballroom is no exception. Sunrise Café, large dinners, dances, bingo and many liars clubs which masquerade as coffee klatches. The board has fairly well settled on the design of the ballroom renovation. Even the kitchen, which is the most complex of the parts of the renovation, is largely designed. However, even when the building is finished we can, I hope, still tweek the kitchen equipment placements to have the optimum flow of cooking and serving. Our professional staff is working hard to keep everything as we need it and are doing a nice job of it. They are giving us dedication and love. Tell them "thanks" occasionally.

It's good to see all of you around. Let's talk.

Wally Brauer
President



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Marketing is sponsoring an **OPEN HOUSE** to showcase the assets of our wonderful Park **AND** allow all individuals and realtors to promote their properties here at Country Roads. The event will also highlight the many activities, programs and groups we have. It is our hope that everyone will want to show off their projects and have activity areas open. Plans are in the early stages but we need all of you to make this a success. There will be maps available at the Welcome Table to enable all visitors to easily access the homes that are for sale. All homeowners and realtors interested in holding an Open House during this time will need to inform the open house event coordinators by January 20th. Tours will be given of the Commons and all the activity areas in our wonderful park.

Coordinators of this event are Barbara Rye and Susan Cox, with the help of many volunteers. Be watching the Blast and Country Roads Bulletin for detailed information during the month of January. We will be providing a lot news to keep everyone informed and be ready to show off our Park and possibly your home.



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EDITOR'S MESSAGE

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

**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.

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OUR CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

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Painting
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Pinochle (2 Deck/7 Card)
Poker: Dealers Choice/Hold'em
Pottery
Quilting
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Scrap Book
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Singles Social
Shuffleboard
Swimming Aerobics
Tennis
T.O.P.S.
Water Aerobics
Volleyball: Water/Sand
Women's Fellowship
Woodcarving
Woodshop
Writer's
Zumba Gold



BUILDING FUND



The Building Fund has two events coming up in February. First is Carnival Night on February 6 in the Ballroom. You won't need a ticket to get in, but you will want to buy the coupons being sold by Vicki Derksen and her team (\$20 for 55 coupons) so that you can participate in the evening's carnival activities. Tickets for the Chicken Cordon Bleu Dinner Show on February 23 featuring Pioneer Pepper and the Sunset Pioneers are on sale for \$25.00 in the Activity Office. The doors open at 4:30, dinner at 5:30 with the show to follow. Only 300 tickets are available, and it is always a sell out; I encourage you to get your tickets early.

By holding such events the Building Fund raises money so we can help fund club's projects. If your club has a project, but you are short money to cover the costs, come to the Building Fund and fill out a Request for Project form.

Sue Miller, BF President, Lot #1018,
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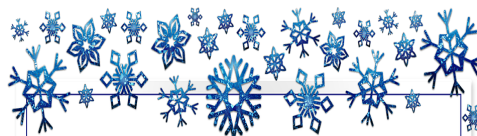
**ONE OF THE SCARIEST
SPLIT SECONDS IN LIFE
IS WHEN YOU START TO
SLIP IN THE SHOWER
AND ALL YOU CAN
THINK ABOUT IS "OMG
THEY ARE GONNA FIND
ME NAKED"**



The Architectural Control Committee (ACC) is back at full strength for the season. The committee consists of eight people. Their job is to help preserve the beauty of our park by approving any improvement on your lot. The Rules and Regulations govern the rules that are to be followed when any improvements are made. The lot owner is responsible to consult the rules and regulations and also obtain any required State and City Code permits. A copy of the rules and regulations and the required lot improvement form is available at the Homeowner Office. Your ACC team is here to assist you with any questions and help you fill out your request if need be. You are welcome to drop into our meeting at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesdays.

Your team has been busy keeping up with the requests that have been coming in. We approve the requests at our regular meeting and then do a final inspection when you have completed your work. Each member has a day that they work in addition to our meeting day.

We held a Meet and Greet in the ballroom on Wednesday, December 11 to familiarize homeowners with what we do and answer any questions. We also met with the City of Yuma recently. We discussed some of the building codes and setbacks required by the city. They answered questions that we had and helped clarify some issues. As a result of the meeting, we will be working on updating some of the language in the rules and regulations and will keep you posted on what our committee is doing.



The Yuma Welcome Back Bash held in December was a huge success for Country Roads. We had many people visiting our booth to learn more about our Park. Many individuals are expressing interest in renting or possibly buying here in the future, that includes people who are currently living at other parks in Yuma. The word is out about how great life is at Country Roads. Plan to be a part of the **OPEN HOUSE** being planned for February 1st. We expect lots of people to be visiting our Park that day. Be sure to be around to greet people with a smile and share your stories about Country Roads.

The Welcome Office continues to be very busy and we are starting to get inquiries about next season. Be sure to get your place listed on the website so we can help people find the perfect place to be—Country Roads.

Remember we are all marketers for our Park. What we say and write about gets around. Let's keep letting people know that *life is good at Country Roads.*



Thursday, January 16th in the ballroom from 9 am to 12 noon

Great new vendors this year and so much to see



PHOTOGRAPHY

We meet every Friday in the Aztec room from 10-12. Please bring your camera or iPhone. We will be having hands on lessons to learn how to take better pictures. We are fortunate to have Dave and Brian willing to help us get better at picture taking. Great group, interested in photography come join us!

Contact info

Carrie Barna #208

Barnatime@yahoo. Com

ZUMBA

ZUMBA in Country Roads with Darla Schofield January 2020 schedule:

Darla Schofield, the Zumba instructor, just let me know that she will not be resuming Zumba until the week of January 6th meaning that

first Aqua class in the New Year will begin that day & Zumba Gold will resume January 7th. Also NEW START time for Zumba Gold is 7:45 a.m. **AQUA ZUMBA: MAIN COMPLEX POOLS** Monday, Wednesday & Friday 10:45 to 11:30 a.m. Except Wednesday January 1, 2020. **ZUMBA GOLD: BALLROOM** Tuesday & Thursday 7:15 to 8:00 a.m. Except Thursday January 16th (Craft Fair). Cost is \$5 drop in or \$40 cash buys you a punch card (10 punches) good for both Aqua & Gold. **BRING A FRIEND & GET A FREE CLASS!** Wear athletic shoes (no sandals), bring water, a good attitude & don't forget your smiles :) Come join us for an aerobic fitness program that is just plain FUN & may become your new Happy Hour!

WHEELIST CARD GAME

Happy New Year! The starting date is January 9th, 2020, in the Aztec Room, at 12:30pm. Cost is \$1.00 per person. Everyone is welcome, come and play. It is a simple fun game. If you want to learn, we'll teach you. Contact: Bertie Caissie, huberte.caissie@gmail.com, lot 85, tel.: 1-514-609-5991.



Line Dancing

It's like an effervescence bubbling down inside -- the music runs through your head and the dance steps come to you at all hours and all places: at the mall, the grocery store, when you hear certain songs, standing in the kitchen, when you're walking or exercising, and even in your sleep! And before you know it, you are humming and your feet are moving! Line dancing music and dances captivate our hearts and minds because they are so fun, and so good for us, all at the same time. Truly, we were meant to move to music!

If you want to see what I'm talking about, come by the ballroom on Saturday morning about 9:45 and join in! Wear comfortable shoes and clothes and bring water, because we work hard at having fun on the dance floor! As you start filling out your new 2020 calendar with important dates, be sure to circle Monday March 16th in red -- that is the day for our second Line Dance Jambo-ree, in the ballroom! Watch for posters and ads with more details coming soon. You won't want to miss it!

JoAnn Opp
Lot 1147



Bingo

2020 BIRTHDAY GIVEAWAY

Buy a \$5.00 game card and get a FREE EXTRA 3 Pack On your birth month Game Day

Game Day	Birth Month
Jan 7 -	Jan, Feb, March
Jan 14 -	April, May, June
Jan 21 -	July, Aug, Sept
Jan 28 -	Oct, Nov, Dec

Rules: Must buy at least one \$5.00 game card Limit of One free extra game pack per person Must have photo ID



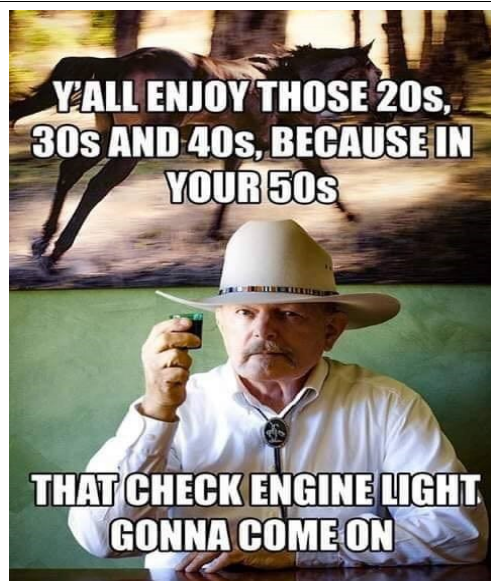
Health & Wellness

The Wellness Clinic is up and running again for another season. Come visit us to have your blood pressure, pulse, and/or blood sugar checked. Tom Olson is available to repair, service, or adjust your eye-glasses.

We're still located in the Inca Room and open Fridays from 9am to noon. Stay healthy!

Maggie Byerley – Lot 607

They say with age comes wisdom so therefore I don't have wrinkles I have wise cracks.



Welcome to season 2019-2020. The Club meets every Monday and Friday, at 9AM, at the pits, for Open Play. The Club welcomes everyone, Ladies/Men. Come, See and Play! The members love the game and play in an enjoyable relaxed environment. If you want to learn or improve your skills, the members are pleased to teach anyone.

There are Horseshoes, in the shed by the pits, for playing and practicing. Anyone in Country Roads may use them at any time. PLEASE: remove the carpets 3 feet from the pits and return the carpets over the pits after playing.

The Club meets the first Friday of the month for a Potluck followed by a short meeting, in the Mojave Room, at 4:30pm, on January 3rd.

Contact: Rhéal Caissie,
huberte.caissie@gmail.com, lot 85,
tel. :1-514-609-5919



There is a mixed doubles tournament scheduled for Tuesday January 7 from 8:00am until 12:00 noon.

Hopefully you have signed up for the event. If not, contact Graham Jenkinson our tournament director and get on the list. Bleachers will be provided for those who wish to watch some great tennis. Our next general meeting is scheduled for Tuesday January 14 at 1:00pm in the Inca/ Aztec rooms. The annual chicken dinner is scheduled for Thursday, January 23 from 4:00pm until 9:00pm in the ballroom. Tickets are available in the activities office and are \$12 per person. **You must bring your own dinnerware and cutlery.**

Music is provided by Dervin James and dancing will be available. There is also a raffle with great prizes for those who wish to take a chance.

The ladies doubles tournament is scheduled for Tuesday January 28 from 8:00am until 12:00 noon. You can sign-up at the January 14 general meeting or see Graham Jenkinson our tournament director. There will also be a sign-up sheet available in the tennis cabinet by the courts. Organized ladder play continues. If you haven't signed up, please see Ed Serra and get on the list. We also offer weekly FREE lessons at 1:00pm on Wednes. Daily round robin play is each morning starting at 7:00am. Ladies only round robin on Tuesday mornings starts at 10:00am. There is also an evening round robin on Tuesdays starting at 7:00pm. Now, let's have some fun! John Summits Communications Director Lot 533 pasjws2010@hotmail.com



The holidays are behind us & 2020 is underway. We meet every Monday morning at 8:00 in the ballroom. Everyone is welcome, as well as all skill levels. Come in earlier to sign-up for the following week of golf. Members have their choice of six courses to play each week: Monday/ Mesa del Sol Tuesday/Foothills Wednesday/ Desert Hills Thursday/Rio Colorado or Desert Hills Par 3 Friday/ Las Barrancas. Following the meeting there is Pitching & Putting out at the driving cage & putting greens.

Some upcoming events: Yuma Golf & CC Jan. 6th - Guys & Gals Fun Golf Jan. 4th & 18th - CAN/ AM Golf Challenge Week January 13th-17th & the CAN/AM BBQ Jan. 25th.

Information is located at our bulletin board outside the ballroom & on our FB page: "Country Roads Guys & Gals Golf Group"

Tracy Bresnahan, President
503.702.2125 Lot #1225
WHEN SOMEONE TELLS YOU NOT TO STIR THE POT....





SAND VOLLEYBALL

Every morning except Sunday 9– 11
Newcomers Welcome!

Also, park guests, such as Jr. High and older grandkids. You'd be surprised how fast muscle memory returns—even from high school days! Just show up in a pair of tennys and join the fun. If you can't make it at 9:00, come any time before 11:00. Lots of fun comments—you could get tagged with a nickname! We have a potluck (sometimes on the volleyball court) once a month. This is a great time for non-playing spouses to get to know our group. Questions? Give me a call or shoot me an e-mail.

Pat Hall, Lot 201. 928-314-3252 or patiluhalsie@juno.com)



Country Roads Singles Club (Singles Mingle!)

WELCOME! Open to all singles, men and women. We are meeting on Sunday January 12th in the Mohave Room at 1:15pm for a potluck lunch. The other activity scheduled for January is Sunday January 19th. Join us as we Arizona Market Place. The event is to meet at 11:00am at 3351 S Ave 4E. There is a common area where there are food and drinks as well as live music. Dues are \$5 annually due in January. Join us in friendship with other singles in the park. For more information call Barbara at (925) 586-9445.



FROM THE POOL ROOM

Happy New Year from the Billiards Club

The Yuma Senior Games Pool Shooting events for 2020 are as follows:
Men's Singles at Country Roads: January 22, 2020. Ages 50-69 start at 8:30 AM. Ages 70+ start at noon.
Men's Doubles at Country Roads: February 5, 2020, starting at 9:00 AM. There are no age divisions for this event.

Women's Singles at Country Roads: January 23, 2020 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. There are no age divisions for this event.

Women's Doubles at Country Roads: January 29, 2020 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. There are no age divisions for this event.

Mixed Doubles at The Palms RV Resort: February 13, 2020 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. There are no age divisions for this event.

Practice time is available at the respective park from 3:00 – 5:00 PM on the day prior to each event.

Our Annual Club Meeting will be held in the Billiard Room at 12:30 pm on Friday January 10th, just before the Men's weekly tournament. We have club business to discuss and some board positions to fill this year. Please come and participate. If you wish to be a candidate for the board, sign up on the bulletin board or let a current board member know.

Free pool lessons, for anyone in the park, are scheduled on Wednesdays at 3:00 pm. Just sign up in the Billiard Room.

Gerry McNab
President



Safety Tips for Driving in the Snow

- 1) Install Winter Tires
- 2) Drive south
- 3) Continue until you see palm trees
- 4) Apply brakes & sunscreen



THE COUNTRY RED ROSES

RED HATTERS had a very busy November meeting and making all the mini red hats for the Christmas tree in the CR Ballroom. Each one completely unique. Lots of fun was had along with the fellowship. We then went to the Ballroom to decorate our big tree. It looks amazing.

December started with a group of 20 Red Hatters meeting in the Inca Room for their Christmas party. Lots of food, games and our special tea. The ladies all decked out in their Red and Purple Christmas attire. The next adventure is getting some golf carts ready for the parks Christmas parade. Along with some Pink Flamingos chasing the cart.... where did they come from, lol.

The New Year starts with a get together on the first Thursday of the month in the Inca Room. We have a Pajama Party coming up at the Q. Sounds like a lot of fun. President Rhonda has some fabulous ideas for the New Year as do many of the group. Something to look forward to. Happy New Year everyone.



Come join us at the Pottery Studio. We love welcoming new members. The Studio is open from 9 to 4 on weekdays, 10 to 4 on weekends & 4 to 7 on Mondays. We offer classes to our members. Check the bulletin board inside the Studio for dates & times. Membership is \$25/season & there is no charge for classes. Clay is available for purchase for \$15/bag or \$8/half bag. Mentors are available, as well as friendly members willing to answer questions.

Horsehair classes are held every Monday (prep) & Tuesday (firing) & sessions are open to everyone, with a \$3 charge for non-members. Pieces for applying horsehair are available for purchase.

Mark your calendars for the Annual Pottery Sale on February 20, 2020 all day. It will be a Silent Auction, so stop by the Studio, write down your bid on any item(s), then keep coming back to be sure to be the top bidder. Items will also have a "Buy it Now" price so you can be sure to get the items you can't live without & don't want to be outbid on!! Also, come see members' beautiful items on display at the Art Expo in the ballroom on February 21, 2020.

Pottery Club meetings are on the 1st Tuesday each month at 12:30 in the Studio (1/7). The Pottery Club Social is on the 3rd Tuesday each month at 4:00 in the Aztec/Inca Room (1/21): BYOB & something to share. Join us for this fun gathering & bring your spouse or guest. We look forward to seeing old & new members alike!

Julie Hanenkrat
Lot 203



The season is under way and it's so wonderful to see old faces and great getting to know the new faces.

Whether you are already a carver or you just want to come and see what it's all about come by. We have instructors to help you get started. Later in the year that time may lengthen. Our hours vary so stop by any Monday or Friday from 9 am to noon. Once we have monitor we will be open longer.

Myrna Mattson, President #679
928-726-6697

Perks of reaching 60 or being over 70 and heading towards 80!

1. Kidnappers are not very interested in you.
2. In a hostage situation you are likely to be released first.
3. No one expects you to run-anywhere.
4. People call at 8 PM and ask: "Did I wake you?"
5. People no longer view you as a hypochondriac.
6. There is nothing left to learn the hard way.
7. Things you buy now won't wear out.
8. You can eat supper at 5 PM .
9. You can live without sex but not your glasses.
10. Your supply of brain cells is finally down to manageable size.
11. You can't remember who sent you this list.
12. And you notice these are all in Big Print for your convenience.

Fitness Club



Upcoming !!

Fitness Club's Spaghetti Dinner
MARCH 13TH 2020

Mark it on the calendar and Come and enjoy !! Meanwhile remember Fitness Club is open 24/7, come by and see what keeping fit means to you.

January 13th: Annual General Meeting 10:30 am

January 20th: Fitness Club Orientation 1-2pm

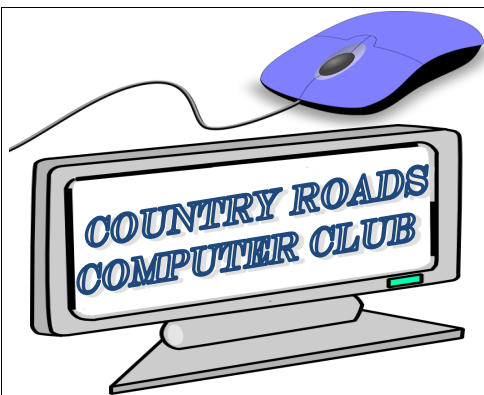
Keep Fit

Ann Mocan Communications



Calling all quilters, Roads Quilt Club meets every Monday, 9AM, in the Coronado Room. We have a short meeting and then we get quilting, and talking and laughing and eating and solving all life's problems. Come join us. Our January menu includes Jean Engle teaching her Clothesline Basket on January 6th, Open Sew on January 13th, Barbara Draffin teaching Bargello Quilt on January 20th and on January 27th we have open sew and some various demos such as attaching quilt sleeves for the quilt show, machine sewn magic binding, adding borders & keeping your quilt square. We can add something to the open sew days if anyone has a suggestion for a lesson, wants to teach a pattern or method. Sew, bring your ideas, your lunch and join us on Mondays. Questions? Call

Barb Draffin at 303-910-1753 or
Rosy Hamilton at 541-297-6318



The Computer Club resumed weekly meetings on Wednesday, November 20, 2019 in the Coronado room. Our schedule shall be similar to last year- Apple Products 9:00 to 10:25 a.m, and Windows 10 - 10:35 to 12:00 noon. Dues are \$10.00 per household for the season.

We are currently looking for volunteer presenters for both sessions. Anthony Hrabok has kindly offered to host sessions pertaining to Apple Products. Phil Mocan shall host the Windows sessions. Thank you, Anthony and Phil. Our sessions will begin with a question and answer session to discuss any issues members may be having. We are currently looking for individuals proficient in technology who would be willing to help fellow residents. If you are willing, please let me know at philg-mocan@gmail.com

Check the courier for further updates.

If you want something posted on CHANNEL 1390 use the forms in the activities office
If you have any questions contact me,

Sam Shemwell lot 432,
phone: 928-314-4920.

KETO

Anyone?



Keto Club is off and losing! We are meeting four MONDAYS a month in the Aztec at 10:00am. If you are a practicing KETONIAN or just interested do join in. There is a lot to gain in losing.

Ketones for All, Judy, Lot #181
idas pud.robertson92@gmail.com

The police just pulled me over and said, "Papers?"

I said, "Scissors, I win!" and drove off.

I think he wants a rematch - he's been chasing me for 45 minutes!



CHURCH CHOIR

A New Year! New voices welcome! We've celebrated Jesus' birth with our Christmas music. Now we continue to sing praises. Join us in the chapel on Friday mornings at 9:15 and then again when we worship together on Sunday mornings in the ballroom with the Country Roads Community Church. Can't commit to a whole season? No problem. We welcome whatever time you have with us, even if you are here just for a couple of weeks.

Peggy Scott Lot 639
928-726-3468



COUNTRY ROADS BRIDGE CLUB

Bridge is going Full tilt in the Mohave Room ...5 days a week.

Mondays and Fridays: Duplicate 12:30-3pm, Party Bridge 12:30-3pm

Tuesdays: Lessons- Novice Lessons begin January 7/8th.

Anyone newer to bridge or wishing to review their "Forgotten" Bidding Skills-welcome to join.

Thursdays: Swiss Pairs 12:30-3pm
Bridge Tournament is planned for Feb 15th 2020.

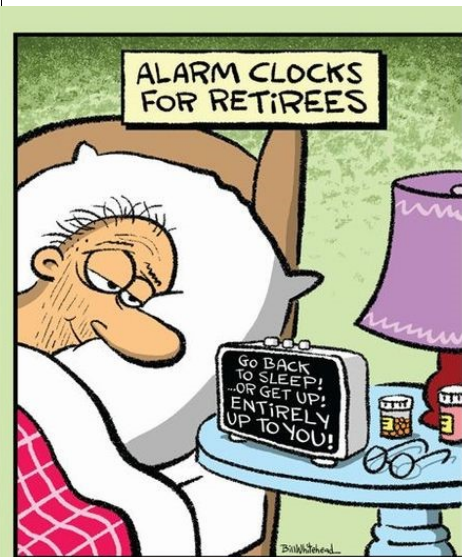
Signup sheet is in the Mohave Room

All players welcome- play and light snacks to be enjoyed.

Bridge Banquet is scheduled for Feb 24th ..Chicken Dinner with POT LUCK SIDES !

Cost is \$5 for non-players and Bridge Players are free.

Pick the bridge you enjoy the most -come have some fun and spend time with great people.





MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

High Season is upon us. For the next three months we will be surrounded by activities, social opportunities, fun and laughter. But, since we are a retirement community and the age bracket that put's the majority of us in it can also be a time of losses, health concerns and discouragements of one kind or another. I personally have no less than three friends in Country Roads who've lost spouses in recent weeks or months. I have other friends who have serious, life threatening health concerns.

I have found during times of discouragement and troubles that putting myself in an environment of other caring, supportive and encouraging friends and acquaintances is the best medicine. It does not remove the problems, it simply makes it easier to bear. At the very least it provides a momentary distraction from your burden that allows you to restore a healthy mental perspective. Men's Fellowship is such an environment. And if life is smooth sailing for you right now, you can show up and be that encouragement for those whose boat is nearing the rocks. There's an appropriate Bible verse that says, "bear one another's burdens".

Come for the donuts, enjoy the fellowship and leave encouraged.

Wednesdays--7:15am--Aztec/Inca rooms. Jerry Opp #1147

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Mojave Room 7:30 AM to 8:30 AM every Wednesday Any questions contact:

Judith Davis Lot 715

541-633-3344

COUNTRY ROADS COMMUNITY CHURCH



Country Roads Community Church invites you to a non denominational worship with us each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in the Ballroom. You are welcome to come early at 9:30 and enjoy coffee and conversation with your friends. Country Roads Church is under the leadership of ordained Pastor Dr. Knofel "Buddy" Staton: Cell (951) 316-4328 . Every Sunday Pastor Buddy will share a rich biblical message along with the beautiful music presented by the Country Roads Choir. The choir is a vital part of our worship. New singers are encouraged and always warmly welcome. All parishioners interested in becoming Board members are encouraged to contact a Board member or the Secretary. We provide Communion the first Sunday of the month and encourage all to participate in our open Potlucks on the third Sunday after service.

Anthony Hrabok, Secretary
Lot 550

CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP



Here we are at the beginning of a New Year! Hope everyone has their Resolutions made for the year. We continue to pray for family, friends and neighbors, so if anyone has family or friends, or yourself who are in need of prayers for special needs, call or text me on my phone listed below.

WARNING: do NOT use the number in the directory, it is incorrect. The Rosary is back to Tuesdays, in the Chapel. The Divine Mercy Cenacle meets on the First and Third Tuesdays at 10:00 AM in the Board Room.

(continued...)

Our Potluck is held on the Third Sunday of each month at 1:30 in the Coronado Room (by the West Gate) Just bring your place setting and a potluck dish

St. John Neuman holds meetings every Monday evening (6:30 to 8:30) in the Chapel. We are covering the Proof of the Existence of GOD and how, with developments in the scientific world, Scientists are proving it much to the surprise of many. Deacon Bill leads the program and answers our questions. The class is called Connections . God Bless You All, Joyce Lane (928)-259-9831



Do you like to sing? We've reserved a chair just for YOU! Come and join us each Friday morning at 10:15 AM, in the Ballroom. Christmas hats and music have been stored away for another year and out come our patriotic shirts as we begin preparations for the **20th Anniversary of CAN/AM Friendship Day**, held on the last Sunday of January. This is an event the Chorus looks forward to each winter, for it's when we come together with pride in each of our countries and celebrate the friendships we've enjoyed over the years. Mark your new calendars NOW! Check out this issue for more information.

The CR Chorus is busy as can be as we are also preparing the music portion of the upcoming "YUMA MIA" production that is to be presented in February. Watch for more information in **THE COURIER**. If you like the music of ABBA... you'll love this show!

Nancy Kirkelie, Choral Director



I wish that I had written down some of the stories that my Mom and Grandmother told me, what were my ancestors like? What were their hobbies, how tall were they? What do I have in common with them? I would like to hear some of their stories, come join us , and not deprive your children and grandchildren, of their memories. We laugh, we cry, mostly we reminisce and share, learn from each other and remember times in our lives. Come join us on Thursday morning at ten o'clock in the Mohave room, and let Your creative juices start flowing as you (Put down the bones) for posterity.

Paula Yeamans lot 6

COUNTRY ROADS POKER CLUB

January 12th is the "Battle of the Sexes" tournament for the poker club and the play is lots of fun. But before that we have our annual board installation of officers on January 4th at 11am. Regularly we play six days a week: Monday, Wednesday and Friday games are both dealer's choice and Texas Hold'em. They are very friendly games and a great way to get acquainted with everyone. The games start at 6:15 PM and end at 9:00 PM. Thursday, Saturday and Sunday No Limit Texas Hold'em games are played and games start at 1:00 PM. Please sign up in advance on the sheets in the Coronado Room. It makes setup easier and "you will get a reward".

Reported by Myrna Mattson, Scribe



LADIES OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH

Please join us for the January luncheon. We will meet at noon at Applebees on the big curve. It's Wednesday, January 8th. If you have thought about coming, this is the month to join in the fun!! We will get our 30% senior discount so, come on out and give us a try!! Please sign up in the activities office by 2:00 on Tuesday, January 7th. If you need a ride or, are able to provide one check the box on the sign up sheet. Meet at the flagpole at 11:30. As always, white elephant's are greatly appreciated as they add to the fun!! Hoping to see you there!! Smidty Schripsema lot#586 650-619-6423



20th Annual Canada - USA Friendship Day Party and Dance: Sunday Jan.26th 2020 in the Ballroom from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. Entertainment by Brock and Sherry Quast who play for dances all over Yuma as well as California. If you like good music and also like to dance, don't miss this event. There is no charge for this event but there will be a tip jar on the stage. BYOB and snacks for your table. This is for all CR residents, please wear your badge. The CR Chorus is going to perform at 1:00 pm sharp so please be there early. If you have not heard their tribute to The USA and Canada by Nancy Kirkelie and the CR Chorus you will be impressed. Rosie Chenard Lot 475 rchenard1949@gmail.com

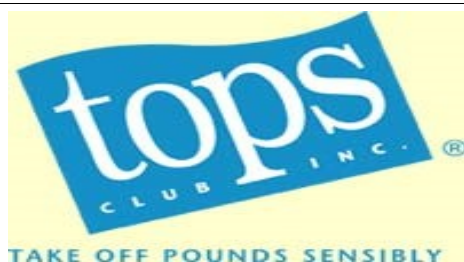


Don't miss the annual **Spud Fest on January 30th**. Along with a great meal there will be door prizes and a silent auction of the beautiful jewelry made by our talented members. Tickets are on sale at the Activity Centre. New members are always welcome and classes are ongoing. Featured are two Wire Wrapping classes where you will leave with a beautiful piece of jewelry.

Come to the shop Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday 8:00-3:00pm to see what we're all about. The next club general meeting is January 8 at 7:00pm at the shop. If you have questions please contact Ray Brant (President) at lot 174 (541 409-2166) or Cathy Quinn (Secretary) at lot 943 (403 390-0989)



Welcome to a New Year of needle crafts. The Knit and Stitch group meets every Wednesday afternoon from 1 to 3:30 in the Navajo Room. There is always room for one more. We love to learn new techniques and stitches and share the projects we are working on. We have needles and wool available for anyone to use. We also take donations of wool. Come and join us for fun and creativity. Sandy Lansfield Lot 113



Happy New Year from TOPS (Take Pounds Off Sensibly). We hope your holiday was enjoyable. If you are like many you made a New Year's Resolution. Do you know according to statistics that 39 to 80% of resolutions fail by February. If your resolution was to establish new healthy habits, exercise as well as lose pounds why not join our TOPS group to get a good start on your resolutions. We meet every Friday 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in the Mojave Room (members weigh in from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.) for a meeting that has an interesting presentation by one of our members. Our group last year lost over 200 pounds. No special food to buy just a sensible way to eat right and exercise and lots of encouragement from our members. If you need further information you can contact our leader, Marie Soczynski 612-590-6283. Reporting Millie Boyle Lot 765 360-742-6084



UKULELE

Time to dig that Ukulele out of the closet again. We will be meeting in the Mojave Room starting at 6pm each week. All level of players welcome.

Bill Bates
Lot 488
928-451-8554



PINOCHLE



Learn how to play Pinochle (or refresh your game) Pinochle Lessons on Mondays at 12:30 to 3:00 In the Inca Room. They will run for six weeks starting the 6th of January. Please sign up outside ballroom.

Reg Saddoris (928) 726-3523



Happy New Year! Thank you to all who donated great books and puzzles the past year. The DVD shelves are full and residents who don't have a dish seem to be enjoying them.

Someone donated a great collection of nice books on the cosmos, travel in China and Tibet, and other nice large books. If you want to see them, they are on the bottom shelf underneath the non-fiction collection. The books located there are ones that are really large and they don't fit on any other shelf. There are many nice ones there. There is a nice collection of cook books and crafts, along with WWII and history books on the back side of the center counter.

We appreciate the compliments residents give us on the library and part of that is thanks to Deanie and Andrea, who help keep it in good shape.

Vickie Warren #1189

HOLA amigos!

SPANISH CLUB: ¡Bienvenidos! / Welcome! ¡Feliz Año Nuevo! / Happy New Year!

It's not too late to join. Come and see! If you like what we're learning, join us. This season, the Club has a new approach: every day is Basic Spanish, depending on the level of the attendees. The Spanish Club has a NEW TIME and a NEW LOCATION. The starting date in January is the 6th., 2020.

This is the New Schedule:

Where: in the Maricopa ROOM

Time: 1 - 2:30pm

When: Mon. – Tues. – Wednes.

Cost : is \$12.00 per person/per season, \$20.00 per couple

You may come on the three days or pick the day/days of your choice. We all learn at our own pace, there is no pressure and no exams. We try to make learning an enjoyable experience. It's mostly conversation with some easy grammar. We learn: greetings, family, going to the restaurant/bank/store, the weather, every day simple conversation.



Contact: Bertie Caissie,
huberte.caissie@gmail.com,
lot 85, tel. : 1-514-609-5919

- **January 6, 2020**
Bee Gees Gold
- **January 20, 2020**
The Workin' Men
tribute to Merle
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ELECTION NEWS

It isn't too late; if you hurry you still have time to turn in your resume as a candidate for the Country Roads Board of Directors. JANUARY 13, 4:00 PM is the deadline to have your resume into the Homeowners' office. WE NEED YOU!!! Are you communicative, do you have basic computer skills, do you like people and get along with others? If you are a homeowner in good standing you just might be a good candidate. There are three open positions which are three-year terms. How about it, turn in your resume, 1 page 250 words or less, January 13, 4:00 PM is the deadline for that resume. Photos of the candidates will be taken at that same time.



A few reminders about campaign guidelines and instructions in our park.

Campaigning may start January 14, 2020 the day after the resume deadline.

No campaign signs of any kind are allowed in our park, ie: on properties or golf carts.

Campaign badges are not to be worn by volunteers, or displayed, as they perform their volunteer duties on Association (common) Property

We encourage you to attend the Meet the Candidates Forum February 10, 1:00PM in the ballroom. Please mark your calendar. You may think you know the candidates, but do you really know all of them and their views. So, mark your calendar and become an informed voter BEFORE YOU VOTE. **Once a ballot has been cast in the ballot box it is irrevocable.** The ballots will be mailed out January 27.

IMPORTANT ITEM: DAY OF RECORD WILL BE JANUARY 24. To be eligible to vote your account must be current on that day, January 24. All monthly assessments, work orders or fines must be paid. The homeowner on that day, January 24, is the homeowner eligible to vote. Therefore, if a property is sold in February, the new homeowner is NOT eligible to vote.

ANOTHER IMPORTANT POINT: January 17 is the deadline for you to give the homeowners office the address where you want your ballot mailed. For multiple lot owners, each lot you own must have the address where you want that ballot mailed to. The ballots will be mailed to the address on record. When you arrived and checked in at the H.O. office and changed your address to Country Roads that is not a change of address for the U.S. Post Office. You still must fill out a change of address for the U. S. Post office to have your mail delivered to Country Roads.

You can check your own mailing address on the City Property Website. (If you have your account established with your e-mail and password) If you don't the office can give you a passcode.

<http://cityproperty.com>

Click on Portals, in the drop-down box click on "Homeowners Portal.

On the left click on the "LOG IN" button put in your user ID and password

On the left under "My Account" click on "Account settings & my contact info"

Scroll down to your mailing address and check it out. The address showing is where all Country Roads/City Property correspondence will be sent.

If this is not correct, hit the "Change" button and change it.

You can also check out your e-mail address in this same portal, maybe it needs to be changed. This Portal is also where you can vote electronically for this year's election. We hope you will do that.



There is still time to submit your resume as a candidate for the Board of Directors. (One page not to exceed 250 words) Resume deadline is January 13, 2020 4:00 PM, delivered to the Homeowner's office.

Give us a choice lets have multiple candidates! Pictures of candidates will be taken at that time.

Deloros Shemwell, Election Chairman, lot 432, 928-314-4920, deloros1038@aol.com



BY THE COUNTRY ROADS PLAYERS

original script by our own Jo Nightingale

MUSIC FROM ABBA

FEBRUARY 21st Evening Show & 22nd Matinee Show

TICKETS GO ON SALE JANUARY 6th \$8 & \$10

Sale from the tickets will go toward the ballroom renovation