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Board Corner



Living Life at SCA: What It Takes

Credit to 2025 HOA Annual Assessment

t its meeting on December 19, the SCA board of directors voted to apply funds from the 2023 assessment as a credit for the 2025 assessments. Each homeowner will receive a credit of \$83.71.

Our new Global Northstar integrated software system includes a new website (scahoa.com), which makes it easier for residents to access their financial records online. You are now able to check the status of your payments, and you may be surprised to see you have a credit.

To prepare for the GNS launch, accounts that had a credit posted to homeowners' accounts were analyzed. Credits were previously issued against assessments in 2020 and 2021, but our accounting department found a surprising 23 percent of homeowners had credits on their accounts that totaled over \$400,000.

If you have set up autopay through Alliance Bank for your 2025 assessment, the \$83.71 credit will be

automatically applied to your April payment. If you prepaid your 2025 assessment you can request a refund. All homeowners who pay by check or through their bank's bill-pay program should deduct the credit from their payment. Credits do not expire, but please apply them as soon as possible.

Also, periodically review your account online. Sometimes the accounting department will receive duplicate payments because two people in the same household paid it. Or sometimes people send the wrong amount or set up autopay and then send in a check.

We are hopeful the new website and information accessible through it will make it easier for residents to be informed about their account. Lots of new features will be rolled out in the coming months and you will be able to do more, and do it more easily.

Pamela Williams, Board Secretary

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BOD Meeting Summary/Upcoming Meetings

BOD Meeting Summary

The December Board Meeting was held on Thursday, December 19, at 1:30 p.m. in Freedom Hall, Independence Center, via GoToMeeting Webinar, as well as in-person.

December 19, 2024 – Meeting Summary

- Approved the December 19, 2024, Board Meeting Agenda
- Approved the November 21, 2024, Board Meeting Minutes
- · Accepted the Consent Calendar for Committees & Service Committees
- Tabled the Finance Committee's recommendation to adopt the proposed ballot language resolution regarding the income tax benefits of making an election per IRS Revenue Ruling 70-604.
- Approved a waiver of the CCPM for Community **Patrol Officers**
- Approved Scott Sturman as a member of the **Architectural Review Committee**
- Approved the 2025 Pinnacle Advisory Group
- Approved BAI 47-12-19-2024-01 Installation of a pass-through door in Freedom Hall
- Approved BAI 48-12-19-2024-02 Additional expenses related to Liberty Center Pickle Ball Courts
- Approved the 2023 Surplus Funds distribution

For more Board meeting information visit the SCA website at scahoa.com.



All owners are encouraged to attend the Board meetings. GoToMeeting information will be available for members who cannot attend in-person. The log-in information will be printed at the top of the meeting agendas and can be found in the **Community Chronicles eblast** the Monday before the Board

All Board of Directors meetings are recorded. Unit owners can request a copy of the audio recording. They can also request a copy of the meeting minutes or summary of the meeting. Electronic copies will be sent at no charge. Alternatively, a printed version will be available at a cost not to exceed 25 cents per page for the first 10 pages, and 10 cents per page thereafter.

Unit owners have a right to speak to the Board during the BOD meeting unless the Board is meeting in Executive Session. There are two comment periods set aside for homeowners to speak: one at the end of the first section of the agenda regarding agenda items only, and the other at the end of the meeting for general comments.

Meeting Schedule

February through May 2025

In accordance with NRS116.31083, notice of a meeting of the Board of Directors shall be given to the Association members no less than ten (10) days prior to the meeting. Dates are listed below for upcoming Board meetings. Meeting notices will also be sent electronically to owners who have authorized the Association to communicate with them by electronic means. Please check the website and make sure you are registered for the **Community Chronicles eblasts** to receive updates. Meeting agendas and virtual meeting log-in information will be made available to Association members five (5) days prior to the meeting via the **scahoa.com** website, on the bulletin board in the Anthem Center at 2450 Hampton Rd., Henderson, NV 89052, or by contacting the management office.

Tuesday, February 25, 2025 – Executive Session 9 a.m., Penn Room

Thursday, February 27, 2025 - Open Session 1:30 p.m., Delaware Room

Tuesday, March 25, 2025 – Executive Session 9 a.m., Penn Room

Thursday, March 27, 2025 - Open Session 1:30 p.m., Delaware Room

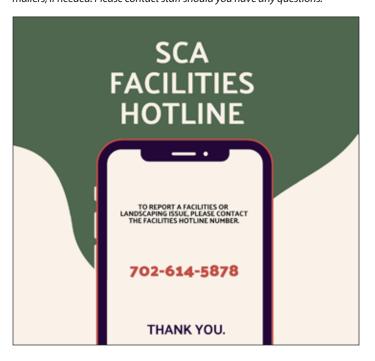
Tuesday, April 22, 2025 – Executive Session 9 a.m., Penn Room

Thursday, April 24, 2025 – Open Session 5:30 p.m., Delaware Room

Tuesday, May 20, 2025 - Executive Session 9 a.m., Penn Room

Thursday, May 22, 2025 - Open Session 5:30 p.m., Freedom Hall

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Interim Chief Operating Officer Report



Hello residents!

I want to take this moment to recognize the tremendous effort that goes into SCA. It truly requires a collective effort from everyone involved to make sure it works the best! This includes the board, volunteers, management and staff and all the residents. Our

community cannot reach its full potential without everyone working together. We are always seeking constructive feedback and improvements to ensure smooth operations.

A significant development for the community in 2025 has been the introduction of Global Northstar (GNS). So, what is GNS, and what implications does it have for SCA?

The GNS Management software automates functions including membership, fees, dues and other operations for fitness, social and athletic clubs. A robust cloud-based solution for clubs providing end-to-end capability and integration for POS, member management and athletic solutions.

It brings SCA full circle into the modern age to perform as a fully integrated system thereby eliminating the need for multiple systems and unneeded software. It integrates all facets of operations so all systems can link to making it a more pleasurable experience for the end users. Additionally, it adds benefits for management and staff by reducing manual tasks and redundant work.

GNS also improves our website by offering additional functionality, information and a more user-friendly experience. More information at your fingertips with ease of finding needed information. To explore these improvements for yourself, visit scahoa.com.

We aim to always "be the best." My team is here to assist you and looks forward to making your experience at Sun City Anthem the BEST every day!

James McNamara, Interim Chief Operating Officer

VIVA VOLUNTEERS - TODAY FOR TOMORROW

hat are you doing right now – other than reading this magazine? Do you have some free time to help your neighbors? I am pretty sure that everyone reading this can squeeze in a couple of hours a month to brighten someone else's life.

If you read the weekly Community Chronicles eblast, you've likely noticed that several of our governing committees are actively recruiting new homeowner residents to join their teams.

- The Finance Committee is looking for residents with a finance background.
- Our Community Lifestyle Committee is looking for residents, preferably with experience in club leadership.
- The Facilities and Landscape Committee is seeking residents who possess skills such as landscaping, engineering, construction, product development, mathematics, contract development, public speaking, or even just a general good education or special talents that can be further developed.

We also have service committees that are always open to new members. These include Community Service, Community Patrol, Emergency Preparedness and Neighborhood Watch. While

participation on governing committees is limited to one at a time, there are no restrictions when it comes to service committees.

If you are interested in contributing a few hours a month, volunteer applications can be filled out online or picked up from the membership office. Completed applications can be dropped off in the Volunteer Coordinator mailbox at the entrance to the Fitness Center or emailed to volunteer@scacai.com.

As an alternative, I am happy to email you an application that you can complete and then email back to me or place in the Volunteer Coordinator mailbox. You can also send me an email to discuss any of the volunteer opportunities. I would be delighted to assist you in deciding what works best for you.

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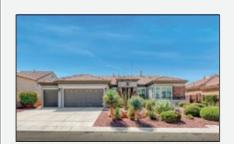
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Committee Reports

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW

Larry Griffith, Subcommittee Chair

ARC-Committee@scacai.com

Plan review second and fourth Thursdays, 9 to 10:30 a.m. Emerson/Franklin Rooms, no in-person attendance

Important

All additions, casitas, exterior modifications, upgrades, and improvements require written ARC approval prior to starting. There have been cases where homeowners began a project without obtaining this approval, resulting in the need to either terminate or significantly change the project for it to gain approval. This has resulted in considerable delays and financial losses for the homeowner.

If your project is significant and time-sensitive enough to necessitate expedited approval, ARC has in the past and will continue to accommodate the homeowners needs. For projects requiring special attention, we strongly suggest that you contact the ARC before beginning work. If an ARC member is available, we can review your project outside of regular meeting times. It is the homeowners responsibility to have the approved paperwork (application) in hand before the project begins.

How to submit your request

To make ARC approval as painless as possible and in lieu of homeowners attending the ARC meetings, residents can email their applications and plans to ARC-Committee@scacai.com, or send them by UPS or mail, or drop them off at one of the lockboxes located outside of all our centers. To facilitate the processing of your project, we now only require one copy of your submittal; once received, it will be reviewed at the next scheduled meeting and the results will be mailed/emailed back to the homeowner.

If you are submitting plans for review, sign and date the site plan and be available by phone during the plan review time as listed above.

Be aware that the ARC member may be calling you from an area code other than 702, so you should answer all incoming calls during the plan review period. If you cannot be reached by phone, they will reject your project or return your submitted paperwork by mail or email with a request for further information and your project will not be revisited until the next scheduled meeting.

An ARC member will perform a final site check approximately 90 days after approval of your project to verify adherence to the approved plans.

As always you can email us at the above address or contact Community Standards with questions or concerns.

The Community Standards staff and volunteers look forward to continuing to assist the members of SCA in maintaining the aesthetics of our community.

COMMUNICATIONS

Ioan Roth, Chair

Communications.Committee@scacai.com

Next meeting Wednesday, February 12, 9:30 a.m., Concord Room

The Communications Governance Committee seeks to enhance residents' knowledge of all aspects of Sun City Anthem life by encouraging participation in community activities, improving the two-way flow of information between members and management, and fostering a sense of belonging to the community.

The committee has three subcommittees:

- 1. Print and social media tasked with overseeing production of the Spirit and Relay and assisting with layout and article reviews for these publications. Additionally, the committee reviews and edits policy and procedure documents as warranted.
- 2. Video/multimedia tasked with producing short SCA informational videos as needed and longer news features as well as videos for social media and clubs if asked.
- 3. Website tasked with working on and contributing to the content, format and features of scahoa.com. The subcommittee monitors the website, reviews proposed changes and evaluates its functionality and usability for SCA residents.

The committee seeks to provide opportunities for resident volunteers to assist with and work on ad-hoc projects as needed. We welcome your input.

COMMUNITY LIFESTYLE

Joan Holmstrom, Chair

Lifestyle.Committee@scacai.com

Next meeting Friday, February 14, 9:30 a.m. Arlington Room

We wish to thank all the 2025 club officers who attended the officer workshop on January 24. Our community is grateful for all those who volunteer as an officer or at-large members of the leadership to manage and vote on matters concerning each club.

CLC typically meets on the second Friday of the month. We welcome you to attend.

CLC community role

We are one of the eight governance committees within SCA, acting as an extension of the board. At times, we collaborate directly with them, report on our activities and occasionally pass along their directives to the clubs. The CLC monitors and supports the community's 59 clubs and assists with the formation of any new ones. We advise on membership policies, procedures, guidelines,

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Committee Reports

and the use of Association facilities. Each club is provided with a CLC liaison who may be contacted when a club has concerns or questions, wishes to amend a club charter, or adds a new activity that must fit with the mission of their charter and be approved by the CLC.

Documentation

Visit the newly launched SCA website at scahoa.com. As a member, you can log in and discover the club pages you can join as a resident. Each page includes a list of officers, and direct links to their websites if they have one. Eventually, you will be able to email the club's main officers. Not all features of the website were unveiled during the initial launch, but more will be introduced as the months go by. The Committees and Clubs Policy Manual (CCPM) and charters for all clubs and other documents relating to club processes will also be accessible here.

CLC contact

Contact our committee at lifestyle.committee@scacai.com. We welcome your input and suggestions. Clubs are the lifeblood of our community. In last year's club usage report, we found that approximately 240,428 members, residents, and non-residents attended various club activities and events. We are fortunate to have a wealth of creative and talented club members who make valuable contributions to our community.



COVENANTS

The board of directors, as required in Article 5.2 of the Bylaws, established a Deed Restriction Enforcement Committee. At Sun City Anthem, this committee is called Covenants.

The Covenants Committee is the hearing tribunal of the Association and conducts hearings pursuant to Section 3.26 of the Bylaws and Article 7.4 of the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions.

Hearings are normally scheduled once a month. Should you have any questions, please contact Compliance@SCACAI.com. A hearing is scheduled when a case cannot be resolved during the enforcement process.

The Covenants Committee hearing tribunal reviews the information regarding an alleged violation and determines whether a violation of the standards set forth in the governing documents occurred. This committee is responsible for imposing fines and/or sanctions. Following a hearing before the Covenants Committee, the alleged violator has the right to appeal the decision to the board. Covenants meetings are not open to residents unless invited.

ELECTION

Shawn Hicks, Chair

shawnhicks@att.net

Next meeting Tuesday, February 11, 10 a.m., Concord Room

The candidate application process to elect the 2025 SCA board of directors is in full swing. The deadline for homeowners to register as candidates is Friday, February 7 at 4 p.m. Application forms are available for homeowners in good standing in the membership office. We urge those interested to submit a completed application.

Our seven-member board is a team of our neighbors working in the best interests of the entire community. The board strives to do all it can to keep community standards high while maintaining the enjoyable lifestyle SCA is known for.

What makes an effective board member? While there is no single answer, a diverse range of backgrounds and experiences among board members contributes to a dynamic and effective one. Each member should be able to collaborate well with others, demonstrating collegiality and a non-confrontational approach when interacting with fellow board members, committees, staff, and community residents. Additionally, understanding financial statements is important to fulfilling fiduciary responsibilities.

While the official requirements to run as a candidate are basic, it can be advantageous if you have lived in SCA long enough to become involved in various aspects of community life through club activities or attending board and committee meetings.

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Assuming this responsibility requires time, work, and serious commitment. Various situations may arise needing more time and effort than you initially anticipated. However, it is an extremely rewarding experience and all candidates, whether elected or not, are respected and recognized by the community.

The election is scheduled to take place on Thursday, May 1, wherein five positions will be filled.

If you enjoy meeting challenges, exercising leadership, and collaborating with people, do consider seeking a seat.

FACILITIES AND LANDSCAPE

Kathleen Mundy, Chair

mundykathleen1@gmail.com

Next meeting Tuesday, February 11, 10 a.m., Arlington Room

A plan for the refurbishment and continuing maintenance of all our sports courts to ensure they remain in top condition for the next two decades has been developed. In discussion with the Tennis Club, our tennis courts will feature a medium-level cushioned surface, which is kinder to the hips and knees of players. As per the discussions with the other sports clubs, their courts will have a hard surface.

The air conditioner units have been installed in Anthem and Independence Centers.

We are preparing to begin the relandscaping of the south side of Hampton Road east of and between Hampton Road and Dipinto Avenue. This will include updating the irrigation systems and a desert-friendly selection of plants. It will be a multi-year project. We are also planning the xeriscaping of common areas that have not already been updated.



FINANCE

David Levey, Chair

Finance.Committee@SCACAI.com

Next meeting Wednesday, February 19, 9 a.m. Arlington Room

This year, the Finance Committee is ready for many new and exciting projects. We are collaborating with James McNamara, the Interim COO and Gary Porter, the reserve specialist, to update the component list of assets included in our reserve study. This will ensure the list reflects the most updated information. This process is critical and needed before we initiate our next budget cycle.

On January 2, we activated the most essential modules of the new Global Northstar system. This enterprise-wide system is designed for our HOA information management. It will deliver more detailed and accurate key data much faster than our previous systems. This enhancement in detail will aid us in improving our data management and boosting the efficiency of SCA's budget planning process. Its financial reporting capabilities will be extremely helpful to the committee in fulfilling our financial review and oversight responsibilities.

In 2023, SCA had a surplus of \$598K, which can be transferred to our reserves or returned to residents. On December 19, the board met and, with a majority vote, approved a credit of \$83.71 for each household. The details of this credit were shared in the SCA eblast on December 23. For residents who have set up auto payments, the credit will be applied to their payment in April. Those who mail in checks should deduct this credit from their quarterly dues in a future payment. Residents who have prepaid their 2025 dues can request a refund using the link included in the eblast. Regardless of which payment option you use, the credit will be returned to you.

The cell tower at Liberty Center is finally in service. We have been collecting rent payments from AT&T and Verizon, with the possibility that other carriers may join in. This tower should provide better signals for the subscribers of these carriers while also generating revenue for our association.

If you are interested in joining the Finance Committee, please review the committee mission statement, along with the qualifications/experience requirements on the committee webpage and consider filling out a volunteer application.

Our monthly meetings are open to the public. Residents are encouraged to attend these meetings to better understand the financial operations of the community. This is the best time and place to ask questions about SCA's financial activities. Homeowner questions and constructive comments are valued, as such input provides new ideas and often identifies items that need to be addressed at future meetings.



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Community Standards



Mandatory Age Restricted Community Survey - Reminder

ederal law requires that we verify age and occupancy by I reliable survey every two years to maintain our community's age-qualified status. Your prompt cooperation will save the Association the costs incurred for additional printing, postage, and staff time.

This is a reminder for homeowners who have not submitted the form for their household.

Electronic survey

- Visit the SCA website at scahoa.com and look for the banner on the "welcome" page.
- Complete the form and "click to sign." Enter your email address.
- Select "confirm my email" in the confirmation email you receive. You will receive a second email stating, "You're done signing Age Survey Form 2025."

Mail survey

A survey form was mailed to all residents in a well-identified envelope. If you prefer, you can complete the form and:

- Drop it off at the Membership desk in Anthem Center.
- · Mail it back.
- · Send by fax.
- Scan and email it to Survey@scacai.com.
- Use the lockboxes at Anthem, Independence, and Liberty Centers.

Please do your part to make this a successful survey year!

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Emergency Preparedness (EPSG)

Do You Know Your House?



t's still early in the new year. If you are like many, January has been a time for organizing and decluttering your tor organizing and action to the home, leading to a fresh set of tasks to address. This is also an opportune time to review your home's basic operations. In emergencies, knowing the location of essential items and how they work is

crucial. In such instances, we may need to evacuate in a matter of minutes or remain in place for an extended period when maintenance or repair services are unavailable. Turning off damaged utilities or leaving the house without extra hazards may save lives.

Below is a basic list of items every resident should be familiar with in their home.

Location and Operation of Utilities

- 1. Main power shut off. It is important to know where the main power switch is, and that it is unobstructed. This way you can easily turn it off in case of an electrical fire, or another emergency. (If you have solar panels, you're still subject to power loss).
- 2. Water main and interior house shut offs. In the event of a burst pipe, earthquake, or similar emergency, you may need to turn off the water. Also, consider this when you leave the house for an extended period such as vacation.

- 3. Natural gas main. Although it is typically not advisable to turn off the gas main during regular circumstances, you may need to do so in the event of an earthquake, if you suspect a gas leak, or if Southwest Gas is unreachable. This action may require a non-sparking wrench.
- 4. Main circuit breaker board. Ensure the board looks clean, with each breaker for easy identification when needing to turn one off. If anything looks hazardous, or out of place, call an electrician to check and repair it.
- 5. Learn how to operate and secure the garage door in case of a power loss.

You can find links to videos about all the above at scaepsg.org.

Essential Emergency Response Items

- Fire extinguishers and blankets: Preferably placed in a location easily accessible and close to fire or cooking equipment.
- First aid kit(s).
- Toolbox with basic tools and duct tape.

It is crucial for every member of the household to understand the basic operations of the home and know where essential items are located. Emergencies can occur unexpectedly, or when a resident is home alone. Planning and practicing multiple exit routes should the main entrance become blocked is also welladvised. Stay tuned for the March issue for more on this topic.

Fear of danger is ten thousand times more terrifying than danger itself. ~ Robinson Crusoe



EMERGENCY SUPPLY SHOPPING LIST

February

- ☐ 1 can of meat
- Permanent markers
- ☐ 1 can of pet or baby food (if needed)
- Pen and paper
- Waterproof plastic container (for first aid supplies)
- Portable AM/FM Radio
- Aspirin and/or
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Services Provided by Sun City Anthem Volunteer Residents for Sun City Anthem Residents

The mission of the Community Service Committee (CSC) is to provide limited home maintenance, delivery of durable medical equipment for short-term loan, transportation services, external resources contact information, and support groups to assist residents to maintain their independence and to live in their own homes for as long as possible.



How Can We Help You?

Residents can request CSC's services by using our website, CSCHelp4U.org, seven days a week, or by calling our Assistance Line, (702) 614-5862. Clearly state your telephone number when leaving messages on CSC's Assistance Line and ensure availability for CSC to leave messages on your answering machine. As a reminder, your SCA Activity Card number will be needed to request services.

- Our *Medical Equipment* team maintains and delivers durable medical equipment for short-term loan including canes, crutches, wheelchairs, walkers, shower chairs, and more.
- The *Home Maintenance* team performs certain tasks that residents may not be able to safely do themselves, such as replacing batteries in smoke detectors and carbon monoxide alarms, light bulbs, house address bulbs, HVAC filters, adding salt to water softeners, and lubricating garage doors.
- CSC's *Transportation* team provides, with certain parameters, rides locally to healthcare appointments, pharmacies, grocery stores, and all SCA community centers.
- Support Groups provide residents and their families and friends with a forum to share individual experiences, concerns, challenges, and successes. Check the SCA weekly **Community Chronicles** eBlast for dates, times, and locations.
- Our *Communications* team maintains the Assistance Line and connects residents and their requests with the appropriate service and/or support groups.
- Resources maintains a list of a variety of fee-based service vendors and their contact information. CSC does not recommend or endorse any business, person, or service.
- The **Public Relations** role focuses on informing you of CSC's activities through SCA's weekly **Community Chronicles**, monthly **Spirit**, and via collateral materials, such as brochures, pamphlets, and fliers.

Donations

All services provided by the Community Service Committee are free of charge. Donations are greatly appreciated and benefit CSC directly so that volunteers can continue to provide services and sponsor support groups. Please make checks payable to "Sun City Anthem Community Association, Inc." On the "Memo" line write "CSC" and deposit them into the CSC mailbox at the Anthem Fitness Center or mail them to: SCA Community Service Committee, 2450 Hampton Road, Henderson, NV 89052.



CSCHelp4U.org 702-614-5862 Weekdays 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., closed weekends and holidays, close at noon on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve

Support Groups

Friends of Bill W.

Mondays, 6:30 to 8 p.m. Saturdays, 9 to 10 a.m. Greene Room, Anthem Center

Bereavement Support

First and third Monday, 5 to 6:30 p.m. Arlington Room, Anthem Center **Caregivers Support (includes**

Alzheimer's information) First Wednesday, 10 a.m. to noon Greene Room, Anthem Center

For more information about these and other support groups in SCA, go to CSCHelp4U.org.

- Ensure availability for CSC to leave a message on your answering machine. After three attempts, your request will be can-
- There is an open position for a Caregivers Group assistant chair, apply online if interested.
- Copies of CSC's brochure can be viewed in the weekly Community Chronicles and on CSC's webpage, as well as available in the SCA community centers.

Volunteers

Volunteering with CSC allows you to help your neighbors throughout our community. Volunteers are always needed because you can make a difference. There are many positions to suit your skills. Visit CSC's website.



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This resort-style living, move-in ready Columbia model is situated above the 16th fairway of Revere Golf Course, close to Anthem Clubhouse with breathtaking views of the mountains and Las Vegas Strip, beautiful landscaping, oversized back yard, covered patio. Perfect for entertaining while enjoying the views!



Teresa Bacon Oviatt Lic #S.0070395 702.510.3486 tbacon@windermere.com



2779 Foxtail Creek Ave., \$575,000 1,715sq.ft. 2-bd+den, 2-bath.

This unique property boasts an open-air back yard with breathtaking views of the mountains and Henderson city lights. This Patriot model also has an open concept design with two spacious bedrooms. The flexible area with bay windows with backyard views is great as a den.



Dale Leccacorvi Lic. #S.0051722 702.274.9738 dalel@windermere.com



2537 Libretto Ave., \$415,000 1,112 sqft, 2-bd, 2 ba.

Beautiful Hancock Model in Sun City Anthem, New neutral Paint and Carpet make this property nice and light. Spacious kitchen with breatfast nook. Primary bedroom features a large walk-in closet. Desert landscaping in the front and back yard. Close to shopping.

Community Patrol

VOLUNTEERS ARE OUR MOST IMPORTANT ASSET AND THE SPIRIT OF OUR COMMUNITY



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Non Emergency	311
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Chief Chat



There appears to be some confusion regarding the role of the Patrol for SCA. The Patrol works closely with the Henderson Police Department (HPD) by observing and reporting any incidents that require attention.

We drive, bike, and walk through the 23 villages keeping an eye out for:

- Open garage doors (after dark)
- · Vandalized mailboxes
- · Blinking emergency lights
- Water leaks
- Suspicious persons or vehicles
- Any evidence that a home or vehicle has been vandalized or
- · Cars parked in red zones or handicap zones without a hang tag or handicap license plate (we will issue a reminder, not a citation)

We will also check your home while you are away through our Vacation House Check service and do routine crowd control at SCA-sponsored activities.

There are also some things the Patrol does NOT do, including:

- Confront or detain any person
- Pursue any person or vehicle
- Confiscate, seize, or detain property
- Intervene in disputes
- Welfare checks on residents (call HPD at 311)
- Look for or transport lost pets (the Pet Club will assist with
- Enforce on-street parking regulations (call HPD at 311)
- Enforce HOA rules or covenants
- Assist in the removal or marking of construction materials or dumpsters (call HPD at 311)
- Pick up or dispose of trash in the street

The Patrol is here to be the "eyes and ears" of the community. SCA is one of the safest 55+ communities in the U.S., and we want to keep it that way!

> The Community Patrol is always looking for volunteers.

Help Keep Your Community Safe!

If you are interested in becoming a part of this important team, contact us at 702-614-6751 or Patrol.Chief@scacai.com.

Member of the Month



Our Member of the Month is Jim Stevens. Iim is one of our house checkers. He and his wife of 44 years, Rosemary, moved to SCA in May 2015. Jim is a member of a few clubs, including Veterans, Life Long Learning, and Financial, and also serves on the board of the Republican Club. He believes that "if you are bored in SCA, it is your fault."

He thinks we all should get involved in our community to keep it vibrant and responsive, and Community

Patrol is a great way to do that. You will have the opportunity to learn the SCA roads and villages while becoming part of the dedicated Community Patrol "family."

Jim served 24 plus years in the Air Force and Air National Guard with the majority of his service in the Pentagon and flying fighter jets for nearly 20 years with more than 1700 flight hours. He later worked for over 10 years as a legislative advocate (lobbyist) for airport and commercial aviation interests. His last employed experience was his most satisfying, working for Lifetime Athletic in Reston, VA and Henderson as a lifeguard, swim instructor and pool manager for nearly 10 years.

Jim and Rosemary have two daughters residing in Virginia and Washington, DC. They have three grandchildren aged four, two, and six months. The couple thoroughly enjoy their SCA home in Shadow Canyon Village, as well as their summer retreat in Lake Tahoe.

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Neighborhood Watch (NWSC)



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Meet Your 2025 Neighborhood Watch Program Leadership Team

ith the new year comes a new nine-member leadership team (LT) for our SCA Neighborhood Watch Program

Don Manning, chair Rhonda Bell, vice chair Lennard Grodzinsky, secretary Randall Conkright, treasurer Pam Buck, Jessie Larsen, Mike Messenger, Pat Prevosto and Jack Richards are at-large leaders

Jessie Larsen, Pat Prevosto and Jack Richards are replacing retiring 2024 LT members Donna Fouste, Joanne Joyce and Cathey O'Connell.

Thanks to the new members for stepping up. We express our deep gratitude to our retiring members for their outstanding contributions.

Introducing our new NWP leadership team members

Jessie Larsen and her husband Mike relocated to SCA from Seattle in 2010. After renting for several years, they bought their home in Desert Sky South in 2016. Jessie has served as a block captain for two blocks in Desert Sky. She retired from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) in 2019. Mike continues to work for Alaska Airlines as an aircraft technician. They have nine grandchildren and love traveling to visit them. Jessie brings to the leadership team her "boots on the ground" experience.

Pat Prevosto moved to SCA in 2013 after retiring from the U.S. Army and later Kaiser Permanente Northwest. Since arriving at SCA, Pat has been a Neighborhood Watch block captain and recently became the Ridgecrest Village facilitator. She spent four years on the Covenants Committee before stepping into

the position of SCA volunteer coordinator. During COVID, she played an active role in our Emergency Preparedness Service Group and has been part of their leadership team for several years. Her involvement extends to a variety of SCA clubs, including Bocce, Silver Foxes and Veterans. Pat has maintained her nursing license and enjoys engaging in volunteer work. Traveling is her passion, and she has been fortunate to see and do many things around the world.

Jack Richards and his wife Renee came to SCA in June 2022 from Ventura, California, and reside in Golf Mesa Village. They saw SCA as a convenient location to visit their three children and eight grandchildren who live in three other states. Jack has an extensive background in law enforcement, having retired after 36 years with the LA County and Ventura Police Departments. His experience spans various roles, including patrol sergeant, K9, SWAT hostage negotiation supervisor, 911 call center manager, narcotics and gang divisions and more. Renee was a schoolteacher and then a supervisor at Ventura City Hall.

Together Jack and Renee own two nonprofit Rincon Volleyball businesses, which have sent hundreds of young women to college on volleyball scholarships. They are avid pickleball players and belong to the Pickleball Club as well as the Republican Club. As a member of the SCA NWP leadership team, Jack will be uniquely qualified to cover SCA crime analysis and relations with the Henderson Police Department.

The mission of the NWP is to provide information that will help residents improve their safety and security. We work in close coordination with the Henderson Police Department (HPD). Our guiding mottos are "Neighbors Looking Out for Neighbors" and "If you see something, say something."

Acts of Kindness



Celebrating Random Acts of Kindness

andom Acts of Kindness Day is celebrated in the U.S. each year on February 17. This special day which originated in 1995 encourages individuals to share compassion and positivity by performing small, unexpected acts of kindness. It serves as a wonderful opportunity for people to contribute to making the world a better place through their thoughtful actions. If you find that appealing, there is even more to discover.

Did you know that there are scientifically proven benefits of being kind? Studies have shown acts of kindness create emotional warmth, which produces oxytocin throughout the body. Oxytocin helps in lowering blood pressure. It also increases our self-esteem and optimism. Kindness can stimulate the production of serotonin, a chemical that plays a key role in body functions such as mood, sleep, and wound healing. Some people report feeling stronger and more energetic after helping others. Additionally, research has shown that people who volunteer tend to experience fewer aches and pains.

The Random Acts of Kindness Foundation (RAK), a nonprofit with a mission of making kindness the norm, has produced a variety of creative ideas to inspire people to help "pay it forward." They are rooted in the belief that all people can connect through kindness.

RAK's framework is based on five principles: inspiring, empowering, acting, reflecting, and sharing.

Suggestions

- Donate used books to a library.
- Be an active listener when in the company of others.
- Be a friend to a lonely neighbor.
- Donate blood.
- · Write a handwritten letter and mail it.
- Be kind to people in the service industry.
- · Write positive messages on sticky notes and leave them for others to find.

With countless advantages to practicing kindness, why limit it to just one day a year? Why delay giving that compliment or saying those uplifting words to someone who could really use them? The best part is, paying it forward does not have to come with any cost.

To learn more about RAK and additional ways you can help promote kindness as a standard practice, visit their website at randomactsofkindness.org.



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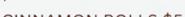
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Houseplant Care



Houseplants 101

aise your hand if you have purchased houseplants before and they did not make it. It appears many of you can

Houseplants are beautiful. They add color and attractiveness to any décor, and that's why people buy them. However, homeowners understandably become disenchanted when the plants fail to flourish as expected. This disappointment often results in people saying, "I just don't have a green thumb." In truth, they only need a few tips to help their plants thrive.

When selecting a plant to buy, appearance is not the only factor to consider. Remember the adage, "You can't fit a square peg in a round hole." It all starts with picking the RIGHT plants for your home, then focusing on the best light exposure, watering schedule, container, soil, and feeding plan for your plants to survive and thrive.

Aligning the plant's growing instructions with the specific location in your home where the plant will be situated is crucial. If accustomed to observing your plants' leaves begin to drop, turn brown at the edges, or develop deep brown or black spots, you are not matching them to their proper environmental requirements or following the simple care quidelines.

In recent years, growers have provided guidelines on plant container labels or tags that describe the best ideal conditions for each species. Examples are:

- Keep out of drafts.
- Avoid direct sun.
- Does best in indirect light.
- Keep soil moist.
- Allow the soil to dry before watering again.
- · Water until coming out of the bottom of the container.

You might be thinking, "Boy, that's a lot of instructions to follow. I can't be bothered because of my prior failures." Caring for house plants isn't complicated. These plants tend to die more often because you took care of them TOO much rather than not allowed – there is such a thing as too much love in the plant world! Despite what you might think, indoor plants tend to be hardier and require less care than their outdoor counterparts.

I assure you that it will be worth giving it one more chance. Once you choose a plant that matches both the growing instructions and the location in your home you plan to keep it, your maintenance is minimal.

I wish you success and enjoyment with your new plant!

Blake Myers, Facilities and Landscape Committee



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Club Activities

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The Performing Arts Club Presents ... **Charlie Sees the Light**

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The Current Events Club Presents ... The 2024 Election ... A Political Party Realignment Monday, February 3,10 a.m. • Delaware Room, Anthem Center





The Financial Club Presents ... FINRA Breakfast Seminar

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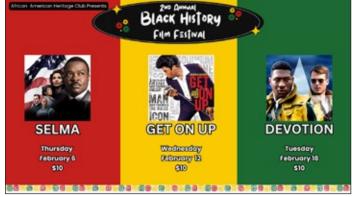
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- Selma Thursday, February 6, 3 p.m.
- Get On Up Wednesday, February 12, 3 p.m.
- Devotion Tuesday, February 18, 3 p.m.

Join us as we celebrate Black History Month to enjoy the fabulous films at Freedom Hall. Following each of these films is a reception. Purchase tickets now at the Activities Office, online at AAHC.SCACLUB.org, or by calling 702-614-5822.

Black History Celebration

Saturday, February 22 • Independence Center See the club article for more information.

Activities

Seminars

Hospice Care & Resources Hosted by Integrity Hospice

Thursday, February 13, 11 a.m. Penn Room, Independence Center Free Admission, Registration Encouraged • Limited Space



At Integrity Hospice, we provide compassionate, individualized care plans that prioritize dignity, comfort, and quality of life for our patients. Our palliative care and symptom management services are designed to support both patients and their families, ensuring that every decision reflects their values and preferences. We believe in the power of advocacy, actively involving families in the care process to enhance the overall experience. Committed to the highest standard of patient care, as we strive to create a nurturing environment that honors each person's unique journey.

Empowered Caregiver Hosted by Alzheimer's Association

Friday, February 21, 1 p.m. Delaware Room, Anthem Center Free Admission, Registration Encouraged



Are you a caregiver for someone living with dementia or Alzheimer's disease? Spend the afternoon with the Alzheimer's Association and learn how you can better communicate with your loved one and understand some of the behavior changes that can happen.

This two-hour series will discuss the following:

Communicating effectively. Teaches how dementia affects communication, including tips for communicating well with family, friends, and healthcare professionals.

Responding to dementia-related behaviors. Details common behavior changes and how they are a form of communication, non-medical approaches to behaviors and recognizing when additional help is needed

Stem Cell Activation Technology **Hosted by Stephen Jacobs**

Thursday, March 6, 11 a.m. Delaware Room, Anthem Center Free Admission, Registration Encouraged



Stem cell activation technology explores how stem cells can enhance healing, overall well-being, and potentially repair or regenerate body parts. Topics include the definition and origin of stem cells, pluripotent stem cells, stem cell tourism, and their ability to repair and rejuvenate the body. Additionally, it addresses the possibility of reactivating one's stem cells and introduces non-transdermal stem cell activation.

The beginning of knowledge is the discovery of something we do not understand.

~ Frank Herbert

Seminars

Retirement Planning Hosted by LAUNCH Retirement

Friday, March 21, 1 p.m. Delaware Room, Anthem Center Free Admission, Registration Encouraged



At LAUNCH Retirement, we're dedicated to helping families navigate the complexities of retirement planning with confidence. Our comprehensive LAUNCH plan is designed to address the critical areas of legacy planning, assets, Uncle Sam (taxes), cash flow, and healthcare. These elements are essential for achieving the retirement you've always envisioned. We invite you to join us on Friday, March 21 at 1 p.m. for an informative session where we will focus on strategies to decrease taxes, establish a reliable income stream and lower your risk score. Our expert advisors will offer valuable insights and personalized guidance to ensure your retirement journey is smooth and successful. Let us help you take flight towards the retirement adventure you deserve.

Registration forms (if applicable) and ticket purchasing links for all events are on the SCA Shows, Activities, and Special Events page, linked from the Welcome page of scahoa.com. You may call **702-614-5822,** or come into the Activities Office, located across from the Fitness Center in Anthem Center, with cash, check, or credit/debit card. Tickets go on sale eight weeks before the show date and are released on Thursdays at 8 a.m. for both online and in-office purchases. Refunds are given two weeks prior to a show, unless otherwise noted. No refunds are given after that time. Freedom Hall is in Independence Center at 2460 Hampton Road. For additional information, call **702-614-5822.**

Events

Shredder Truck

Tuesday, February 18, 6 to 10 a.m. Anthem Center Parking Lot (between Anthem and Independence Centers) Free with SCA Membership Card Drive-thru only, No walk-ups



Dispose of your documents conveniently at the exclusive event for SCA residents. Make sure to have your SCA membership card with you for access.

The shredder is designated for document destruction only, not recycling, so please refrain from using plastic bags. No newspapers, magazines, garbage, food products, large metal clips, or plastics.

For your safety, remain in your vehicle. Staff members will retrieve your documents as per your instructions.

This event will end at 10 a.m. or earlier if the shredder truck reaches full capacity. Please come early!

Blood Drive

Tuesday, March 25 and Wednesday, March 26, 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

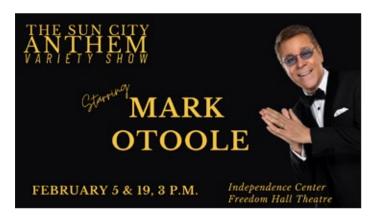


Activities

Shows

Sun City Anthem Presents ... Sun City Anthem Variety Show starring Mark OToole

Wednesday, February 5, 3 p.m. Wednesday, February 19, 3 p.m. Freedom Hall, Independence Center Tickets \$20



The Sun City Variety Show starring Mark OToole continues in Freedom Hall on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 3 p.m. This is a live afternoon show, with your MC Mark bringing top local and Las Vegas Strip performers to showcase their talents, ranging from singing to comedy, and well, you name it! Mark's career has spanned 30 years headlining on the Strip, and he attributes success to his appearances on Star Search in 1994. He has performed at some prestigious locations including the Smith Center.

Mistinguett Productions Presents... Grady Harrell's Tribute to The Temptations

Friday, February 7, 7 p.m. Freedom Hall, Independence Center Tickets \$35 residents, \$40 non-residents



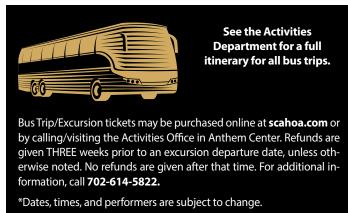
Grady Harrell pays homage to Motown's iconic male group, The Temptations, in a thrilling tribute. Backed by his childhood friends, the performance showcases the Temptations' legendary hits like Just My Imagination, My Girl, and Papa Was a Rolling Stone. Under Berry Gordy's 1961 signing, the group recorded chart-topping hits, and Grady recreates the magic with intricate choreography. Joined by a Vegas all-star band, this unforgettable show invites the audience to dance in their seats and sing along to the timeless tunes that define The Temptations' legacy.

Mistinguett Productions Presents ... Mr. NOBODY

Monday, February 10, 7 p.m. Delaware Lounge, Anthem Center Tickets \$25 residents, \$30 non-residents



Three incredible musicians take the stage in the form of a vintage speakeasy trio. Mr. Nobody features multi-awardwinning singer/songwriter and Las Vegas headliner Michael Grimm, piano/comedy extraordinaire Bill Zappia and multiinstrumentalist and soul singer (aka Golden Boy) Jimmy Tripi. The trio plays vintage blues jazz like you have never experienced before, along with special material they only perform. Come check out this underground performance of Mr. Nobody!



Shows

SunSun City Anthem Presents ... **Genevieve Dew ... A Valentine Serenade**

Friday, February 14, 7 p.m. Freedom Hall, Independence Center Tickets \$35 residents, \$40 non-residents



Mark your calendars for February 14 and get ready to be swept away by an enchanting evening filled with music, love, and heartwarming moments. Come and experience the magic as Genevieve serenades you with her most romantic and captivating performances. Plus, as a special treat, she'll be handing out delightful valentine's goodies to all her guests!

Sal Cucco Entertainment Presents ... Lou Gazzara

Friday, February 21, 7 p.m. Freedom Hall, Independence Center Tickets \$35 residents, \$40 non-residents



American Idol finalist, three times Broadway world nominee, and Las Vegas headliner, Gazzara uses a five-octave range and world-class vocals to deliver mind-blowing renditions of the greatest hits of all time. From Sinatra to Bruno Mars, Elvis Presley to Pavarotti, Frankie Valli to Journey and more! You will be on the edge of your seat and dancing in the aisles with this nonstop, high-energy, true Las Vegas showman musical concert.

Mistinguett Productions Presents... The Rendezvous ... starring Simon & Garfunkel ... A Tribute to One of the Most Iconic Pop Duos of All-Time Monday, February 24, 7 p.m.

Delaware Lounge, Anthem Center Tickets \$25 residents, \$30 non-residents



Comedian/singer/recording artist Dennis Blair (opening act for such celebrities as Rodney Dangerfield, Joan Rivers, and George Carlin, and author of the new book Touring with Legends) and Kenny Davidsen (winner of Best Lounge Show in Las Vegas for his Bowtie Cabaret running for over eight years at the Tuscany Hotel) are joining forces once again to honor the music of the legendary Simon & Garfunkel. This show, which earns accolades and standing ovations everywhere it plays, is supported by an exceptional band and includes a cameo appearance by the amazing Toscha Comeaux. Thrill once again to classic songs like Homeward Bound, Mrs. Robinson, I Am a Rock, The Sound of Silence, Bridge Over Troubled Water, and many more.

COMING SOON

March 5: SCA Variety Show starring Mark OToole, Wednesday at 3 p.m. On sale now

March 19: SCA Variety Show starring Mark OToole, Wednesday at 3 p.m. On sale now

April 10: Seminar ... Preparing for Life's Unexpected Events, presented by Gateway Advisors, Thursday at 11 a.m.

April 11: Mistinguett Presents ... Tony & The Lady, Friday at 7 p.m. On sale February 13

April 12: Arts & Crafts Fair, Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

April 14: Mistinguett Presents ... Promise Marks, Monday at 7 p.m. On sale February 13

April 25: Seminar ... Intro to Cyber Security Threats, presented by Bank of America, Friday at 1 p.m.

April 28: Mistinguett Presents ... Tony Arias, Monday at 7 p.m. On sale February 27

Activities

Shows

Mistinguett Productions Presents... RADIO JRNY

The Ultimate Journey Tribute

Friday, March 7, 7 p.m. Freedom Hall, Independence Center Tickets \$35 residents, \$40 non-residents



RADIO JRNY has been critically acclaimed across the country as the gold standard in Journey tribute bands playing classic favorites like Don't Stop Believin', Open Arms, Separate Ways and Steve Perry's solo smash Oh Sherrie all with jaw-dropping authenticity. Fronted by the man who many call the best Perry soundalike in the business, "Journey Mike Flynn," they've headlined at premier showrooms and corporate events in Las Vegas and across the country for over a decade. More recently they were chosen by 2024 America's Got Talent Champion Richard Goodall to be his backing band for all of his 2025 concert dates. With stunning musical proficiency, personality and showmanship to boot, this band will be the closest thing to a Journey concert you'll see with a thoroughly entertaining musical tribute even a casual Journey fan will enjoy.

Sal Cucco and Rhino Media Solutions Presents ... The Las Vegas Bellas

Friday, March 14, 7 p.m. Freedom Hall, Independence Center Tickets \$35 residents, \$40 non-residents



The Las Vegas Bellas is an all-female vocal group, born out of a shared love for the rich harmonies and soulful rhythms of doo-wop and Motown music. With each member bringing her unique voice and background, they revive the magic of these classic genres. Their performances feature tight vocal harmonies reminiscent of legendary groups like The Supremes and The Shirelles, combined with upbeat rhythms inspired by classic doo-wop acts like The Chantels and others. They cover timeless hits like My Boyfriend's Back, Why Do Fools Fall in Love and *Please Mr. Postman*, highlighted by exciting choreography. Each performance is a nostalgic journey through musical history. Cast members include Serena Henry (Smokey Robinson and Gladys Knight), Kiara Sasso (Phantom of the Opera, Beauty and the Beast), Maren Wade (Wayne Newton), Janine Valentine (Michael Bublé, Pavarotti) and Sujana Chand (Cirque Du Soleil).



Show tickets may be purchased online at **scahoa.com.** Scroll down under "SCA Shows, Activities and Special Events" and click on that link or purchase tickets in-person at the Anthem Center Activities Office, located across from the Fitness Center, with cash, check, or credit/debit card. Tickets go on sale eight weeks before the show date and are released on Thursdays at 8 a.m. for both online and in-office purchases. Refunds are given two weeks prior to a show unless otherwise noted. No refunds are given after that time. Freedom Hall is in Independence Center at 2460 Hampton Road. For additional information, call 702-614-5822.

Activities

Shows

Sun City Anthem Presents ... **Kelly Vohnn ... Sophisticated Ladies**

Saturday, March 15, 7 p.m. Freedom Hall, Independence Center Tickets \$35 residents, \$40 non-residents



Kelly Vohnn invites you to embark on a captivating musical journey featuring some of the most iconic songs of our era. With her remarkable vocal range and engaging performance style, Kelly promises to deliver an unforgettable evening that you won't want to miss. As the recipient of the Silver State Award for "Best Entertainer," she will perform beloved hits from legendary artists including Barbra Streisand, Celine Dion, Adele, Etta James, and many others.

Mistinguett Productions Presents... Comedy Tonight!

Monday, March 17, 7 p.m. Delaware Lounge, Anthem Center Tickets \$25 residents, \$30 non-residents



Stand-up comedy, one of the most original forms of entertainment, differs from other performing arts in that a skilled comedian can artfully expose humor in everyday life to an audience's amusement. Spending 90 minutes with three talented comedians can create laughter where you least expect to find it. With a very successful four-year run and counting, COMEDY TONIGHT continues to bring laughter to the Anthem community. An assortment of drinks will be available at the bar. Come join the night of laughter!



Activities

Shows

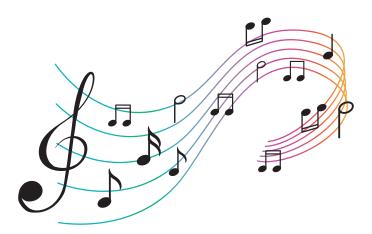
Mistinguett Productions Presents... The Rendezvous ... starring Jimmy Hopper ... **Journey of the Heart**

Monday, March 24, 7 p.m. Delaware Lounge, Anthem Center Tickets \$25 residents, \$30 non-residents



Experience an unforgettable evening with Jimmy Hopper a renowned singer, composer, musician, and entertainer. With a career spanning over three decades and performances on stages nationwide, Hopper has captivated audiences with his extraordinary talent and charisma. Honored as "Las Vegas Entertainer of the Year" by Gaming Today and described as "the hottest unknown performer in America" by National Enquirer, Hopper is bringing his celebrated show, Journey of the Heart, to the Delaware Lounge for one special night.

This high-energy performance features timeless music from icons like Elton John, Freddie Mercury, Andrea Bocelli, and more — songs that resonate deeply and serve as the soundtrack of our lives. Whether you're a long-time fan or seeing Hopper for the first time, this rare appearance is not to be missed. Secure your tickets early for this one-night-only event that is destined to sell out quickly!



Upcoming Events









Fitness | SCA Membership I.D. Required for Entry

Nutrition for Lowering Cholesterol



February is National Heart Month and the perfect time to learn about foods that can help keep your heart happy and healthy. Let us explore simple food choices that can naturally help lower your cholesterol.

First, fiber is your friend! Think of your morning bowl of oatmeal, a tasty bean soup, or whole-grain bread. These foods are like tiny

scrubbers that mop up the bad cholesterol from your body. Don't forget to eat plenty of colorful fruits and veggies too. Leafy greens and bright berries are packed with fiber, vitamins, and minerals that help your heart stay strong.

Next, let's talk about "good fats." They are the superheroes of heart health. Instead of butter, try olive oil. Love snacks? Grab nuts or slice up an avocado. Fish like salmon and tuna are also great choices. These foods help boost your good cholesterol while lowering the bad kind. It's like magic!

How you cook matters just as much as what you eat. Instead of frying food, try these fun cooking methods: fire up the grill, bake it in the oven, or use that trendy air fryer. Make your food taste amazing with herbs and spices instead of salt. And for another tip, try swapping meat for tasty alternatives like beans or tofu.

One last friendly reminder – try to cut back on processed snacks, sugary treats, and too many alcoholic drinks. Remember that minor changes in what you eat can make a big difference in keeping a healthy and strong heart.

A Registered Dietitian can help you understand how to make important decisions regarding nutrition and supplementation. Contact me at 702-723-8618 to set up a consultation and together we can create a plan that helps meet your daily needs. There are also monthly nutrition classes available. Our next class, on Saturday, February 15, will discuss "nutrition for lowering cholesterol." Registration is available on the SCA website or by calling 702-638-5756 or emailing FitnessReservations@scacai.com.

CENTER HOURS OF OPERATION

All centers are currently open from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily. Check the SCA website for any changes.

• Bring water • Showers available for use • Lockers are available for day use only • No gym bags on fitness floors

Get to Know Your Monitors Cathy K.



Hometown: My husband and I moved from Langhorne, Pennsylvania near where I grew up in Levittown, Bucks County, Pennsylvania.

Favorite foods: Pizza, seafood, turkey.

Favorite social activity: Visiting with family and friends, dancing and singing.

What I like most about working at SCA is meeting many friendly and interesting people who take advantage of the fitness center and the helpful staff and management who make it fun to work here.

Secret talent: Although not a secret, my talents include music, decorating, learning new skills, and helping others.

Cathy is a new addition to our monitors team and a welcome one! She is kind and friendly to all. We are happy to have her.

Group Fitness Reservation Reminder

Reservations for your group fitness classes are essential for a smooth check-in process. Make reservations by calling 702-638-5756, emailing FitnessReservations@scacai.com, or stopping by Independence Center. We appreciate your cooperation!

GROUP FITNESS

Be sure to check the Relay for our updated **Group Fitness schedule.**

Not quite sure how to get back in the gym? Hire a PERSONAL TRAINER!

Personal trainers are available for every level of fitness, from beginner to elite athlete.

Call the SCA Personal Trainer office today for an appointment: 702-614-5893.

Members are not permitted to bring in their own personal trainers or physical therapists.

SCA Pool News & Rules



SCA outdoor pool season has come to an end. Pools will be heated beginning in April. Here are some important things to remember:

- Hours are 6 a.m. to 9 p.m.
- Be respectful of others.
- No alcohol, glass containers allowed in the pool areas.
- Children are permitted in the Anthem Center aquatic facilities from 10 a.m. to noon in the outdoor pool and noon to 2 p.m. in the indoor pool.
- Appropriate swimwear is required.
- All residents and guests must shower before entering any of the pools or spas.
- · Guests are allowed, but must remain with their sponsoring residents.



Trainer Tip Carolyn B. **SCA Trainer**

March in Place Test

What it tests: Aerobic fitness and balance, which you need for heart health,

endurance, and fall prevention.

How to do it:

- March in place for two minutes, raising your knees to mid-thigh level. If needed, stand close to a wall for support.
- As you march, count the number of times you lift your legs to that mark.

How to measure your results: An average adult between the ages of 60 and 79 should be able to perform 68 to 115 marches per side.

How to improve: Walk as often as you can and take the stairs whenever possible.

If you're interested in working with Carolyn, you can contact her at 785-393-0139 or Carolyn_Barnes@cox.net.

Instructor Spotlight



CJ regularly attended fitness group classes for decades, which inspired her to get certified as an ACE Group Fitness Instructor and begin teaching fitness classes. Focusing on her favorite workout also inspired her to get certified as a spinning instructor. She teaches indoor cycling, aerobics, step, sculpt, and Silver Sneakers classes

throughout Las Vegas. Additionally, she has completed five triathlons.

CJ loves working up a sweat and teaching a high-energy class. Her goal is to motivate class members to attain their goals, enhance their overall fitness, strength and endurance, and have fun while doing it. She enjoys seeing the love and support that members give each other, and in turn, pass back to her. It creates a positive circle of energy that makes everyone have a better day.

Class Spotlight Beginner Cycling

Do you find cycling or spin classes intimidating? You do not need to! SCA offers a beginner cycling class that will introduce you to the basics of cycling with proper form and fun music. Cycling is low impact, making it a great option for those who may suffer from joint pain. It also gives you a bang for your buck, working major muscle groups and improving cardiovascular health. No special equipment is required. All you need to do is show up and be prepared to have a blast!



AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE



The AAHC would like to thank everyone who attended our annual Almost New Year's Eve event on December 28. What a

wonderful time we had closing out 2024 with friends and family. It is because of you that our efforts were once again successful. Thank you! We truly appreciate your support.

We are filled with excitement and enthusiasm for the year that lies ahead! Our journey begins with the celebration of Black History Month (BHM). We are proud to announce the second annual Black History Month film festival. Last year's initiatives to bring Black films to the SCA screen were successful, leaving our audience wanting more.

This year, we have selected three great films, and we have taken your feedback into account by incorporating a post-reception following each screening in the Morris/Nelson Room. This will provide an opportunity for mingling and discussion.

Mark your calendar

All films start promptly at 3 p.m. in Freedom Hall. Tickets are available for \$10 and can be purchased in the Activities office.

- February 6 *Selma* is a 2014 historical drama directed by Ava DuVernay and written by Paul Webb. It is based on the 1965 Selma to Montgomery voting rights marches which were initiated by James Bevel and led by Martin Luther King Jr, Hosea Williams, and John Lewis.
- February 12 Get on Up is a 2014 American biographical musical about the life of singer James Brown (played by Chadwick Boseman) and directed by Tate Taylor.
- February 18 Devotion is an American biographical war film that tells of the comradeship between naval officers Jesse L. Brown (played by Jonathan Majors) and Tom Hudner (Glen Powell) during the Korean War.

On Saturday, February 22 we will conclude the celebration with our annual BHM event featuring guest speakers, vendors, food, and fun. Look for more information on our website at aahc.scaclub.org.

The AAHC is open to everyone! An annual membership costs \$20. You can find membership forms at the kiosk near the Activities office.

We would love to welcome you as part of our family. Email us with any questions at aahcscaclub@gmail.com.

AMATEUR RADIO



The early days of amateur radio, commonly known as "ham radio," took shape in the early 20th century when radio technology was still in its infancy. Morse code was the predominant mode of communication due to its simplicity and efficiency over wireless telegraphy. Until

2007, proficiency in Morse code was necessary for obtaining certain amateur radio licenses in the U.S. and many other countries. Initially, this was a five words-per-minute (wpm) test for the entrylevel license, escalating to 13 or 20 wpm for advanced classes.

Morse code, often referred to as CW (continuous wave) in ham radio, represents the simplest form of radio transmission. In this method, the carrier wave is turned on and off to represent dots and dashes. This mode is not only highly efficient in terms of bandwidth and power usage but is also ideal for long-distance (DX) communications with low power (QRP). Morse code remains valuable for emergencies where voice communication might be compromised by noise or weak signals. Its distinct sound can be detected even amidst interference.

Since the requirement for Morse code was eliminated from amateur radio licensing, its use has shifted to being elective rather



than mandatory. However, it remains popular among certain segments within the ham community due to its effectiveness, the challenge it presents, and its nostalgic appeal. A variety of resources are still available for those interested in learning, including online tools, mobile apps and traditional methods like practicing with a key. Many amateur radio clubs and organizations offer classes in Morse code as well.

Additionally, modern technology has made Morse code more accessible. There are now electronic keyers, software that can decode Morse code, and even apps that can turn any device into a Morse code transmitter or receiver. Despite this, many operators still enjoy the traditional method of sending and receiving by hand.

It continues to be celebrated in ham radio culture through contests, special events, and awards for CW proficiency. Some operators use Morse code as a signature in their communications, and it is quite common to hear Morse code on certain frequencies, especially on the lower ends of the HF bands.

In summary, while not as ubiquitous as it once was, Morse code still plays an integral part in ham radio and is cherished for its historical significance, technical simplicity, and unique communication experience.

Getting started with amateur radio is simpler than you might expect. First, join our club, there are no membership fees, and we hold monthly meetings to discuss all things amateur radio. Next, enroll in our classes. There are three levels of licenses: Technician, General, and Extra. We offer a series of classes for each level every year. You can start with your Technician rating in June.

Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month at 10 a.m. but the location varies. Visit anthemhams.com or contact Al Gettier at al@gettier.us for more information. If you would like to join our email list, send your name and email address to Al Gettier.

ANTHEM AUTHORS



Reflecting on 2024

We are very proud to announce that last year, at least seven books were published by our club members:

- Sassy & Dozy by, Dianne Hahn
- · Border Town by, Daryl Reed
- Endangered Species, by M.A.R. Unger
- Remember Me: A Sonnet for Marigold, by Mia Michaels (pen name)
- Imagine That! Wonders of a Late Bloomer, by Soon Bock Moon

- Voces Feminarum: Poems in the Voices of Women in the New Testament, by Susan Dubin
- *My Name is Jimmy*, by Iris Hattersley

The club hosted some memorable parties in 2024.



We plan to do much more in 2025! Currently, the club is assisting authors (me included) on at least six different projects. If you're working on something or just starting, we invite you to join our club Tuesdays at 1 p.m. in Anthem Center. Everyone has to start somewhere, and many club members started from zero. We look forward to meeting you.

AOUACIZE



On Wednesday, February 19 at 11:30 a.m., the Aquacize Club will be having our luncheon at Izumi Steakhouse. Look for additional details in the club president's email, arriving in your inbox

around the first of the month. To RSVP for the luncheon, prepayment is required and must be received by Thursday, February 13.

Payment may be made by cash or check. If paying by check, leave the PAY TO line blank. Drop your payment in an envelope in the Aquacize mail slot across from the Fitness Center. Full refunds will be accepted until Friday, February 14.

We will be celebrating the birthdays of Cindy Morgan, Francine Okun Gardberg, Gloria Byrd, Grace Cheah, Jane Wolski, Jo Litchfield, Kathy McCann, Loretta Lacenere, Lourdes Van Kruss, Mireille Weissbaum, Patti Dominguez and Rosalie Hawkins. If you have any questions about the luncheon or are not getting emails from the club, contact our secretary Mary Kolesar at 603-767-0509 or t_kolesar@yahoo.com.

Anyone who enjoys water aerobics is welcome to join our club. New membership dues are \$10. For a membership form, check the kiosk by the activity desk in Anthem Center, or contact Mary Kolesar.



Aquacize instructors Eva, Petra, Amanda and Lolita

You do not need to be a member of the club to attend Aquacize classes. Anyone with a valid SCA membership card can participate in classes.

Hydrotone class schedule, Anthem Center

With Petra – Wednesdays and Fridays, 9 a.m. With Amanda - Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays, 9 a.m. With Eva - Sundays and Tuesdays, 9 a.m.

Capacity is 40 people per class. Classes are \$4 or you can purchase a 10-class pass for \$30.

Warm water class schedule, Liberty Center

With Petra - Mondays, 9 a.m.

With Lolita - Fridays, 9 a.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. With Amanda - Wednesdays, 9 a.m., Mondays and Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.

Capacity is eight people per class. Classes are \$5.



Lucky prize winners Bev and Susie



Happy December birthday to Sherry and Deb

Any updated information on class schedules will be communicated to members through email, or you may consult the weekly eblast news bulletin. Reservations are required and are taken daily from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Make a reservation by phone, 702-638-5756, by email at FitnessReservations@scacai.com, or visit the front desk at Independence Center and fill out a monthly request form.

Aquacize is less stressful on joints and muscles than most exercise done on land. Water supports the body, and the force used in pushing against the water promotes strength. Less gravity in the water allows for a broader range of motion, and exercising in water reduces overheating.



ARTS AND CRAFTS

Arts and Crafts Olub

Made from the Heart

Artisans often say their work is made from the heart, meaning that they put a little touch of themselves into each of their pieces, but a stylized version of the heart has been and continues to be used as a symbol in the art and literature of widely distant cultures. Cave art demonstrates that our ancestors understood the significance of the hearts of the beasts they hunted. Naturally, older civilizations knew more about the functioning of the heart than the brain which led to an early belief that human intelligence and emotion flowed from the heart. Just as the physical heart supports the body, the spiritual heart is an expression of the soul.



Special occasion cards featuring hearts

The heart has been a symbol of love, fidelity and honesty for thousands of years, so it is appropriate that as St. Valentine's Day traditions grew, the heart became integral to the celebration. Valentines were one of the earliest greeting cards and, other than a few vicious versions early in the Victorian era, have been declarations of friendship, often with a heart motif. Card makers now include hearts to send love for every occasion, and other artists have adopted the familiar shape as well.

Like a circle, square or a star, a heart is an easily identifiable shape even recognizable when proportions are altered, or designs are elaborate. It is equally useful as a solid foundation to build upon in a mosaic or an integral pattern in beaded jewelry, and it can convey complex feelings in a simple way. Whether it is a polymer clay sculpture, a card to celebrate a special occasion or a fused glass creation, a design featuring a heart evokes a sentimental response.

If you are interested in learning more about any of the Arts & Crafts Club's special interest groups, visit the club's website at



A beaded heart necklace under construction by Niki Demeulemeester



Mosaics featuring hearts by Laura Middleton

acc.scaclub.org. Annual dues of \$25 allow you to attend as many of the groups and classes as you like. Stop by one of the workshops at Independence Center to meet members and embark on your next artistic adventure.

performances of the quickstep and foxtrot, showcasing a fast and fluid dance style. DJ John Schwinning played a mix of classic and

contemporary songs, keeping everyone on the dance floor all

BALLROOM DANCE



night long.

Holiday dinner dance

The club's holiday dinner dance celebration last December was a delightful evening filled with joy, camaraderie and heartfelt connections. Over 70 club members and guests attended, including two professional dancers, Olga Lisovskaya and Evgeniy Moyorov. The duo entertained the audience with their dynamic



Evgeniy Moyorov and Olga Lisovskaya, a perfect match



Making holiday memories

Dance lessons and practices

Whether you are an experienced dancer, a beginner, or looking to refine your skills, join the Ballroom Dance Club and enjoy the many benefits of dancing and socializing with people.

Dance lessons and practices take place weekdays at Liberty Center:

Mondays, 10 to 11:50 a.m. Tuesdays, 2 to 4 p.m. Wednesdays, 6 to 8:30 p.m. Thursdays, 5 to 6:30 p.m. Fridays, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.



Being with friends during the holiday season

Visit our website at ballroomdance.scaclub.org to keep current on scheduled lessons with respective instructors.

Food for thought

Bethesda Independent Senior Living lists the following benefits of dancing for older people:

- Better cardiovascular health
- Greater strength and endurance
- Improved bone health
- Better weight management
- Increased energy levels
- Improved flexibility
- Enhanced agility
- Improved balance
- Better cognition
- More opportunities for social interaction
- Decreased stress
- Boosted confidence

Membership

A reminder for members to renew their club membership for 2025 to retain official membership status. The annual dues are \$10 per person, which covers one calendar year, with membership expiring on December 31. To join, make the check out to Sun City Anthem Community Association, Inc. You can either put it in our club mailbox in Anthem Center or hand it directly to the club treasurer, Grace Hwang.

Our website also provides general information about the club.

You have to love dancing to stick to it. It gives you nothing back, no manuscripts to store away, no paintings to show on walls and maybe hang in museums, no poems to be printed and sold, nothing but that fleeting moment when you feel alive. It is not for unsteady souls. ~ Merce Cunningham

BID WHIST – SPADES

The Bid Whist Club is one of the oldest clubs in Sun City Anthem. It was started in 2003 with the idea of giving people a fun-loving way to meet others and play the game of bid whist.

Bid whist is a strategic card game with a rich developmental history and is widely enjoyed by military personnel and on college campuses. Our club also plays the game of Spades which is very similar to bid whist.

Want to play or learn something new? We invite you to come out and join us. We meet every Friday from 5 to 9 p.m. in the Emerson/Franklin Rooms. All SCA members are welcome.

You can also learn more about our club at our website: sites.google.com/view/scabidwhist/home?authuser=0.

BILLIARDS / POOL

The Billiards Club is a social organization whose purpose is to promote interest in all cue sports. We invite and encourage residents of all skill levels to join our club.

We have a handicap-style Tuesday evening 8-ball league and a Thursday evening 9-ball league. Handicapped tournament play is open to all skill levels. We also hold eight-player tournaments usually at noon on Wednesday and Friday. If you have any interest in playing in either league or tournament play, contact any club officer. Visit our website for exact dates, times, and types of tournaments and to sign up.

We are offering lessons, followed by social play, to women interested in learning how to play pool or improving their game. We can also arrange for personal/private lessons. Call Cheryl Kraft if interested. We hold quarterly meetings throughout the year to discuss issues of interest to our members.

The Billiards Room in Independence Center is open to all residents when the centers are open. If you have never played pool, join us, and you will discover it is a lot of fun. There are 7-foot and 9-foot tables available for open play, as well as a carom table and a snooker table. There are also tables in the gallery at Anthem Center.

Club officers are president Cheryl Kraft 716-523-2376; secretary Jude Nelson 801-792-9614; treasurer Cheryl Glenn 702-419-0109 and vice president Lloyd Gagnon 702-419-0109. For more information or to join the club, call any officer or visit our website at SCAPool.org.



BOCCE



If you love the outdoors and meeting new people, bocce could be the perfect game for you! Mostly socializing and a little friendly competition. Anyone can play, no matter what your athletic ability. Join our club!

Leadership. The leadership team would like to welcome Theresa Gaudet as our new social coordinator.

Bocce spring season. Spring league play will start March 17 and run for 10 weeks. You can find information, membership details, and registration forms on the club website at bocce.scaclub.org or the kiosk outside the Activities office. The forms must be received by March 7. The meeting for captains will take place March 12. Direct questions concerning the spring or fall leagues to our league coordinator, Marti Morris at morrismj22649@gmail.com.

Recreational. During the winter we continue to have open recreational bocce play on Saturday mornings at 10 a.m. However, from April through October, the start time shifts to 9 a.m. This is open to members and non-members. If you have never played regulation bocce, show up on any Saturday and we will pair you with an experienced player or players to teach you "bocce basics."

We do not have recreational bocce or bocce lessons if the weather is a problem - e.g., rain, excessive heat or cold - or if a Bocce Club tournament is in progress.

Use of the bocce courts is for SCA residents only.

Tournaments. The club continues both 2x2 and Straight Ball Shootouts. Details and schedules for all tournaments, along with other club activities will be listed on the club website's home page.

Membership. If you'd like to join the club, contact our treasurer, Jan Stahl at jcstahl5@aol.com. Annual dues are \$15 per member and the club supplies all the equipment. We love to teach this easygoing game, so please reach out to us!

If you have questions about the club, go to bocce.scaclub.org or contact any of our officers listed under the "Board" tab on the website.

BOOK

The SCA Book Club meets on the third Thursday of each month to discuss a book the members have selected to read during the year. Our next meeting will be on February 20 in the Morris/ Nelson Room, Independence Center at 1 p.m.

This month we are reading *The Women*, a historical fiction novel by Kristin Hannah which debuted at number one on the New York Times fiction best seller list. It's the story of a turbulent, transformative era in America during the 1960's when the nation was divided by war. The book tells the story of Frances "Frankie"



McGrath, a young nurse who serves in the United States Army Nurse Corps during the Vietnam War. The author says the book was inspired by growing up during the war era and witnessing the public protests, marches and social division about the war at the time as well as the later treatment of veterans upon returning home.

As always, we are looking forward to robust discussion and sharing of insights. We customarily start the meeting with a quick round-robin of comments followed by a guided discussion of suggested questions about the author and the writing. We always come away with an appreciation of the different perspectives of a community of book lovers.

And here's what else is coming up in 2025

March 20, The Midnight Library by Matt Haig April 17, The Maid by Nita Prose May 15, The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store by James McBride

For more information, visit the SCA website at scahoa.com and look for us under the club listings. Dues are only \$10 for an entire year of fascinating reading, discussion, and literary camaraderie. If you're interested in joining us or simply want to see what we're all about, send us an email using the 'email the club' button on our website. We'll respond to you promptly.

Club members also volunteer at the SCA library in Independence Center, open to SCA residents on the honor system. The library's collection includes fiction and nonfiction books, magazines, puzzles and more. Book donations are welcome but only those published within the past 10 years can be accepted.

BOWLING

The Bowling Club promotes bowling for SCA residents. Our nodues club meets once a year in October to elect officers and to review club issues, if any. Club president Dan Martens is the point of contact for club business. Other officers are vice president Larry Orlov and secretary/treasurer Robbi Senneke. The club conducts two bowling leagues at the South Point Bowling Center. If you are interested in joining either of these leagues, please contact the respective league secretary using information below.

The primary Bowling Club League is the Sin City Seniors Bowling League which bowls every Thursday at South Point. The fourperson, mixed-gender teams bowl at 10 a.m. This league is open to bowlers who are age 55 or over. SCA residents have priority in filling vacant spots. Any remaining vacancies may be filled by non-residents. Only SCA resident bowlers will be included as members of the SCA Bowling Club. Each league member pays an annual USBC sanction fee plus a weekly bowling fee. League officers are president Bill Anderson, vice president Peter Gebhardt and secretary/treasurer Larry Orlov.

The 2024-2025 fall/winter season started September 5 and continues through May. The league is always looking for new



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bowlers, so if you're looking for a great social activity (as well as a little exercise) consider joining the Sin City Seniors Bowling League. For information regarding this league or to sign up, contact Larry at 702-325-9800 or sincityseniors@gmail.com, or Bill at 708-254-4232.

League officers develop the team listings and schedule. The secretary also maintains a list of individuals who wish to bowl. Vacancies due to illness, moving, or injury occur year-round. Be sure to contact Larry to fill these openings or get on the wait list.

A second league, the Anthem Rollers, is a 9:30 a.m. Monday league with three-person mixed-gender teams. This league is open to bowlers who are age 55 or over.

The officers of the Anthem Rollers league are president John Mattke, vice president Joe Halby and secretary/treasurer Morrie Mansell. This is not an SCA Bowling Club member league. To join or inquire about this league contact Morrie at 702-617-2565. Alternatively, you can get in touch with Debi Chapman at the South Point bowling desk at 702-797-8080, ext. 77174 or chapmand@southpointcasino.com.

BUNCO

The Bunco Club meets Mondays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room in Liberty Center. Please be there by 6 p.m. to ensure a seat. We start playing at 6:30 p.m.

Bunco is a social dice game that involves 100 percent luck and no skill, because no decisions need to be made. Keeping score and our rules are simple. If you can throw three dice and count, you should join our club and enjoy this easy-to-learn, fast-paced game. Don't worry if you have never played before because everyone at your table will be happy to help you learn.

If your Monday night routine could use a change and some fun, come join us for bunco. You will meet new friends and neighbors, catch up with old friends, and enjoy a fun night out. Bring a partner or friend. Everyone is welcome.

Membership is \$5 per year and \$2 to play each week. Call president Marci Turkel at 702-327-3377, or secretary Diane Thomas at 612-581-1962. Come play every Monday. Hope to see you there.



Welcome to the world of canasta! Here you will find a mind-stimulating, social card game in a congenial atmosphere where your competitive spirit can thrive.

This fascinating game of American-style canasta is a partnership game where you are part of a team. You will play offense and defense while giving silent signals to your partner. Tables can consist of four, five, or six players. It doesn't matter whether you've never played canasta, haven't played in years, or are just rusty.

The Canasta Club is for you. There is always a welcome table where you may play. The club continues to offer lessons in American canasta. All supplies are provided by the club, including a guideline to scoring. All forms of canasta and groups are always welcome.

We meet Thursdays and Sundays in Liberty Center from noon to 4 p.m. For more information regarding our teaching program, email us at canastaclub@yahoo.com.

CERAMICS

This month we celebrate love and show our affection through cards and gifts from the heart, once believed to be the source of human intelligence and emotion. For thousands of years, the heart has been a symbol of love, fidelity and honesty, making it fitting that as St. Valentine's Day traditions evolved, the heart became integral to the celebration. Artisans still proclaim their creations are made from the heart, signifying that they included a little bit of themselves in their work.

A heart, much like a circle, square or star, is an easily identifiable shape even recognizable when proportions are altered or designs are elaborate. Hearts serve dual purposes - they can be a solid shape to create a cohesive unit or a cut-out that incorporates negative space, offering endless possibilities to enhance a decorative design. A heart-themed design evokes a sentimental response, conveying complex feelings in a simple way. Clay is an



A puzzle pot built with cookie cutter hearts embellished with various textures

excellent medium to mold into expressions of affection, allowing for truly personal handcrafted designs.

The Ceramics Room is accessible to members whenever Anthem Center is open, except Wednesday mornings when used by the Porcelain Club. Come by anytime for a visit or to browse our window display featuring the amazing work of our members. You might find the perfect gift to buy or get inspired to start on your own creative journey.

We will be introducing classes to learn new techniques and scheduling open workshops for idea sharing in an informal setting. Current members can find more information on our website. If you're ready to get in on this fun and creative hobby, simply click "join the club" at ceramics.scaclub.org to get started.

CHICAGO

We held our Loventines Celebration of Love & Friendship on January 19. Jimmy Carpenter and his band delivered a terrific show, and the dance floor was full! Stay tuned for photos that we will share with you next month.

Here is the rest of our lineup for 2025, showcasing the best that SCA has to offer:

- March 16 This must be the St. Patrick's Day party.
- May 17 Note the date change. This will be a groundbreaking event never seen in SCA!
- October 26 Yes, this is our infamous Halloween party.

You can visit our club website at chicago.scaclub.org which also gives you our calendar and manages our membership database and mailings for us. For more information about the club, contact us at SCAChicagoclub@gmail.com. For inquiries about dues or event payments contact Chicagoclubtreasurer@gmail.com. To pay your \$15 dues as a new member, make the check out to Sun City Anthem Community Association, Inc. and put it in our club mailbox in Anthem Center across from fitness. And nope, you don't need to be from Chicago to join.

CHINESE HERITAGE

Due to unforeseen circumstances following the general meeting on November 23, the club leadership results have been updated. With the agreement of both the outgoing and newly elected CHC leadership, here are the club leaders for 2025:

President, Lena Fong Vice president, Joseph Chow Secretary, Chiming Hsu Treasury, Jade Hu Activity director, Lina Tsao

For inquiries regarding CHC membership renewals and new sign ups, reach out to one of our club leaders. You can find their contact information on our website.

January 29 ushered in the Chinese New Year of the Snake. This is the most celebrated festival in Chinese culture. The celebration



CHC leaders at the SCA Club Fair

traditionally lasts for 15 days, culminating in the Lantern Festival on February 12 according to the lunar calendar. Three major activities associated with this festival are:

- Release sky lanterns
- · Eat sweet dumplings
- Riddles games

On December 7, CHC participated in the SCA Club Fair. The fair aims to highlight the various clubs that offer a range of services to our senior community.

On December 18, a transition lunch took place at Liberty Center This event marked the first step in transferring responsibilities from the 2024 club leaders to the newly elected leadership team.

In celebration of Chinese New Year, CHC will host an afternoon tea event on Saturday, February 1 in the Delaware Room from 2 to 6 p.m. You are welcome to join us.





CHC sponsored activities

CHC offers a variety of regular activities for residents of the SCA community. Anyone can become a CHC member for \$10 per year and participate in these activities. Before committing to membership, residents can try any program for up to three classes free of charge. If you are interested in learning more or becoming a member, visit our website at chc.scaclub.org.

Chinese Arts and Crafts on Fridays from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at Liberty Center. Contact Frieda Li at 858-652-9016 or email ahfanli@yahoo.com.

Chinese Folk Dance on Tuesdays from 4:30 to 6 p.m., Fridays from 5:45 to 7:15 p.m., and Sundays from 3 to 4:30 p.m. at Liberty Center. Contact Lina Tsao at 702-321-7373 or email ltsao50@yahoo.com.

Health Enhancement Gatherings on Mondays from 5:15 to 6:45 p.m., Thursdays from 2:15 to 3:45 p.m., and Fridays from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at Liberty Center. Contact Ning Lin at 847-721-8358 or email ninglin6006@gmail.com.

Modern Chinese Dance on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays from 8:30 to 10 a.m. at Liberty Center. Contact Reenie Wang at 732-485-2469 or email ReenieWang@hotmail.com.

Yuan Ji Dance on Mondays from 7:45 to 9:15 a.m., Wednesdays from 7:15 am to 8:45 a.m., and Fridays from 7:45 to 9:15 a.m. at Liberty Center. Contact Chiming Hsu at 718-291-4590 or email chiminghsu44@gmail.com.

Chinese Literary Society on the second Tuesday of the quarter, from 2 to 5 pm in the Greene Room. Contact Anna Wang at 609-651-0877 or email annaxxwang@gmail.com.

COMPUTER

The Computer Club, located in Anthem Center, is open to any SCA resident in good standing. Visit our website at computer.scaclub.org to learn about us in detail.



We are excited to announce that we have nine new iMacs equipped with the M4 chip. All our computers now support running both Windows 11 and Mac OS Sequoia. Additionally, we are introducing new classes, including A Basic Introduction to AI and Mastering the iPhone.

As we begin 2025, consider signing up for one or more classes and learning something new.

To join, visit our website and click on "join the club." Fill out the online application. Then stop by the Computer Room so that the monitor on duty can finish processing your application. Be sure to bring your SCA membership card. Dues - \$10 per person per year – can be paid in cash (exact amount, we do not make change) or by check. Check should be made payable to Sun City Anthem Community Association, Inc. The monitor has a stamp, so you won't have to write it all out.

Computer Club hours are Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. We are closed on Sunday for maintenance. Here are some benefits of membership:

- · Access to our club facilities and use of our computers, scanners, printers, DVD duplicator, and fax machine. Members may print or copy a maximum of 10 pages per day. The club provides all paper. We do not allow members to use their own paper.
- Free classes computer and iPhone / iPad. Check out the Calendar and Classes sections on our website for class offerings and descriptions. Classes may be taken as many times and as often as one desires.
- · Monthly newsletters.
- Access to our house call program. For a \$20 donation to our club, our house call volunteers can provide personalized instruction, assistance in troubleshooting and resolving computer issues, setting up a computer on your home network, etc. Visit the House Call section on our website for details, as well as a list of the volunteers and their areas of expertise.

- Learn and share useful information with fellow members. Discuss computer products, security, resolving issues, using specific applications, etc. See the calendar on our website for dates and times for Computer Talk and Apple Talk. All sessions meet in the computer classroom in Anthem Center.
- Periodic general membership meetings with the chance to win \$50.

To get more involved in our club, consider volunteering as a monitor, instructor, classroom aide or house call volunteer. Contact Warren Begas at manager@computer.scaclub.org for more information. To reach the computer lab call 702-614-5871.

CURRENT EVENTS AND HISTORY



Here we are, already a month into the new year. If your New Year's resolutions included meeting new people, hearing your friends and neighbors' thoughts on world events while also sharing your views, or simply trying something different, we invite you to consider our club.

Our discussions are always lively, that is for sure! We cover a wide range of topics, from economics and foreign affairs to sports and domestic policy. We also discuss local issues such as traffic, growth, housing, and our valley water supply.

Bitcoin - what is its future in the world economy? What does the fall of Syria's government mean for stability in the Middle East? Artificial Intelligence (AI) - should it be regulated? If so, how? These are just a few issues discussed recently at our club meetings.

These topics are opinion topics, and that is what we are: an opinion club. Since opinions can and do vary widely, we have rules designed to encourage participation and keep the discussions on point. These rules include a reminder that our meetings are for information and entertainment, that all opinions are encouraged and welcome, and will be respected, and that civility and politeness are expected. This is important as we do our best to respect the opinions of all.

We continue with our speakers' forum as well. The forum allows club members who have knowledge in an area to highlight their expertise by doing a presentation to the club. Upcoming topics include:

- What happened in the 2024 election and why: polls, research and media impressions, February 3
- Stealth development and impact on the Air Force, date TBD
- Anatomy of a civil lawsuit, date TBD
- Guns and American history: from flintlocks to today, date TBD

We meet on Monday mornings and Thursday afternoons. On Mondays we start with sports. This gives members a chance to brag (or lament) about their favorite school or hometown team or a sports incident that has caught their attention. On Thursdays we

start with what happened that week in history. Next come Flips, which are short statements regarding an issue you may like (flip up) or dislike (flip down).

Following Flips are PSAs, general announcements made about club or association interests. Topics are then introduced, and club members may choose to offer their opinions or listen to others. Typically, there are two to four topics presented in the meeting, which runs for two hours. Each meeting is overseen by a club moderator who introduces the topics and manages the flow of the discussions.

If this sounds interesting, stop in at Anthem Center from 10 a.m. to noon on Mondays, or 2 to 4 p.m. on Thursdays. If you enjoy the experience, you can join the club for \$10 per year.

For more information contact club president Chuck Mazursky at chuckmaz222@gmail.com or 310-701-2571 or club secretary David Allen at david.allen50@gmail.com or 916-212-8506.

DEMOCRATIC

The SCA Democratic Club seeks to advance the historical and cultural contributions inherent in the Democratic Party. Our mission is to promote the Democratic Party and Democratic candidates and to inform and bring our members together. The club is dedicated to advocating for public policy through political issue analysis, education, recruitment and other activities. We support the right to affordable healthcare, a woman's reproductive rights, voting rights, minority rights, and the right to a more equitable society.

Shelby Wiltz, chair of the Clark County Democratic Party, and John Ralston, founder of the Nevada Independent, a nonpartisan nonprofit news and opinion website, spoke to club members at a recent meeting. Larry Wiederhorn, a member of the Clark County Democratic Executive Board and a good friend of the Democratic Club, introduced Wiltz.



Larry Wiederhorn and Shelby Wiltz



David Hatton and John Ralston



John Ralston and David Berman

Wiltz said, "Just because we lost the [presidential] election, doesn't mean we give up. Hope is not lost. Our humanity must remain at the center of what we do next."

Wiltz noted that dozens of volunteers put forth earnest effort during the recent election. Canvassers knocked on 2.5 million doors and made over one million phone calls, which resulted in down-ballot victories. Both houses of the state legislature will keep their Democratic majorities. Senator Rosen won re-election, as did Congresswomen Susie Lee and Dina Titus and Congressman Steven Horsford.

Wiltz thanked David Hatton, outgoing acting president of the club, for his many hours of work over the past year. The club also thanks Hatton for stepping up when the presidency became vacant.

John Ralston addressed inquiries during an extended question and answer period, which was moderated by club member David Berman. Ralston is writing a book about the late Harry Reid that will be published by Simon & Schuster, likely toward the end of the year.

The December meeting was a well-attended event held in the Morris/Nelson/Penn rooms at Independence Center. Attendees enjoyed a delicious dinner, and six holiday baskets were given

Our club has 555 members, making it the largest Democratic club in Nevada. Monthly meetings take place on the third Wednesday of the month in Independence Center. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

We offer interesting speakers and the camaraderie of one another. We invite all those who share our vision, values, and passion to become members and join us each month. For more information contact Lance Arnt at scadems.president@gmail.com or visit the website at democratic.scaclub.org.

DUPLICATE BRIDGE

Why do people enjoy playing bridge? Bridge is the perfect balance of fun and logic. As we age, it is important to challenge our brains.

Duplicate bridge is a competitive form of bridge in which the same hands are played successively by different partnerships. In other words, a single hand of bridge is "duplicated" so it can be played a dozen or more times in a session of bridge.

Duplication of hands takes the luck of the cards out of play, thus providing fair competition. When you and your partner play a hand that is subsequently played by a dozen other pairs, the resulting range of scores represents a true picture of the relative skill of all the pairs playing that hand and "the luck of the cards" is eliminated.

Our club is open to all levels of players, beginner through expert. The games are not sanctioned by the American Contract Bridge League; therefore, points are not awarded.

However, we abide by ACBL rules and standards of play. Scores and recaps are sent to all members following each game. The yearly dues of \$10 provide a wonderful opportunity to play in a competitive but friendly environment.

Our games are played in the Emerson/Franklin Rooms. Play times are Wednesdays from 5:30 to 9 p.m. and Saturdays from noon to 3:30 p.m. Please arrive 15 minutes before the start time.

If you would like to play, but need a partner, reach out to Liz Macera at 510-813-2175 or lizmacera@gmail.com, or Barbara Seely at 702-683-9616 or barbs89052@yahoo.com. For more information, we welcome you to visit us before the game begins.

FILIPINIANA



We completed another year of activities with our annual Christmas party. As always, all enjoyed our Filipiniana-themed celebration. Attendees were treated to delicious food from Yorktown Grill, lively dancing and music by the Bohol Songbirds. There was a wonderful sense of camaraderie throughout the event.

We had the pleasure of welcoming special guest Ms. Excelsa de Jesus from New York, who was crowned Miss Republic of the Philippines in 2018. She is also the lead singer in the Broadway show The Office! A Musical Parody. At our Christmas event, she played the bubbly and energetic Kelly Kapoor. Thanks to Vivian, our president, for arranging the performance.

Save the dates

Independence party, June 7 Christmas party, December 13



Ms. Excelsa de Jesus



Enjoying the evening



Line dancers in action

We are looking for ideas for a club trip this year. If you have any suggestions, contact us at the numbers below.

For details on upcoming events or to express interest in potential future events, contact Vivian Enverga at 702-353-5551 or Carmelo Belay at 702-613-6807. Note our website is currently undergoing improvements.

Membership

If you are new to the community or have any changes, contact Linda Joven at 908-451-8129 or erlindajoven7@gmail.com.

FINANCIAL



The Anthem Financial Club empowers our members to make their own financial decisions and provides forums for member discussion of financial concepts and issues.

This month's quote: Don't gamble; take all your savings and buy some good stock and hold it till it goes up, then sell it. If it don't go up, don't buy it. ~ Will Rogers

Each month a knowledgeable guest speaker discusses financial and economic items covering topics such as investment management, trading strategies, taxes, Medicare, estate planning, IRAs, casino management, local government, economics, utilities, and more.

The next meeting will be Thursday, February 6 at 8:15 a.m. in the Delaware Room. This is a FREE breakfast meeting open to all SCA residents and their guests! To attend, you must register by emailing AnthemFinancialClub@gmail.com. Our guest speakers will represent the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA), and SEC. Learn about financial risks, scams, asset protection, tools and calculators to make informed financial decisions, BrokerCheck, and more! Breakfast will be served at 8:30 a.m. followed by the presentation beginning at 9 a.m.

The club conducts three discussion groups in Liberty Center.

• The Investing 101 Group. This is a new educational discussion dedicated to demystifying the world of investing.

Whether you are a complete beginner or looking to refine your financial strategies, this group provides a welcoming environment to learn and share insights about the fundamentals of investing. Investing 101 is a five-session concept, one new learning session each month, beginning with our February meeting. Join us on Friday, February 28 at 2 p.m. and start your journey toward financial literacy and independence!

- The Breakfast Group discusses a variety of subjects from fixed investments to insurance. Next meeting is on Wednesday, February 12 at 9 a.m.
- The Stock and ETF Group examines aspects of selecting, timing, buying, and selling stocks and also focuses on exchange-traded funds and mutual funds for income and growth in your portfolio. Next meeting is on Friday, February 21 at 2 p.m.

Be sure to check the club website at financial.scaclub.org frequently.

GARDEN

Our speaker for February will be the president of Mr. Tree, Joe Noriega, who will bring plant health care into focus. His firm is respected throughout Clark County for all aspects of tree care pruning, deep-root feeding, spraying, systemic pest control, and removal—and is even known for rescuing cats from tall trees. He and some of his staff are certified arborists, so if you have even one tree in your garden, Joe's the one to know.

The ever-popular Norm Schilling, president of Schilling Horticulture and the nursery Mojave Bloom, will speak to us again in March, this time on plants that can beat the heat. Landscapes across southern Nevada were decimated by last summer's temperatures and high UV radiation, so we're all wondering how to save or replace damaged plants. Norm, also a podcaster for



Don't try this at home



Deep-root feeding

the program "Desert Bloom" on Nevada Public Radio, has lots of solutions.

You don't want to miss these and later talks as well as our members' garden tour in April and field trip in October. You can renew your



A clean-shaven date palm

membership at any Garden Club meeting or leave a check in our mailbox mentioned below.

We meet in the Penn/Morris/Nelson Rooms, Independence Center from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. on the second Monday of each month except July and August. Free coffee, tea, and cookies are available from 9 a.m.

SCA residents are welcome to attend two meetings per year without joining. Dues for 2025 remain \$15; checks may be made payable exactly to: Sun City Anthem Community Association, Inc. with "Garden Club" on the memo line. Enrollment forms are also available at the Anthem Center kiosk and on our website at garden.scaclub.org and can be placed in the Garden Club mailbox located outside Anthem's Fitness Center along with your check payable as above. Email questions about the club to its president, Dr. Alec Pridgeon at apridg1@gmail.com.

HAND AND FOOT

You get two "hands" in our game. It's almost like cheating! Actually, hand and foot gives you a second chance to score; after you play all the cards in your first hand, you pick up and play the second (your "foot"). With the help of your partner, you compete against another duo and play to the finish!

Seven identical cards are "booked", and if there are no wild cards, they're pure (red) and count 500 points. With one or two wild cards, they're dirty or black, and count 300 points. Unlike canasta, red threes count against you (100 points each!) when you add up the final points.

We meet twice a week in the Morris/Nelson Rooms in Independence Center. Tuesday games start promptly at 5:30 p.m. Please try to arrive by 5:15 p.m. On Fridays, play begins promptly at 12:30 p.m. Please try to arrive by 12:15 p.m. No one can start after those times.

We welcome new players to enjoy the camaraderie and game. Questions? Contact Charlene at acwakkuri@gmail.com.

HAVURAH



Shalom. "Havurah," loosely translated from Hebrew, means "friendship circle." The club began in 2002 when a group of 40 people came together to form a social club that would celebrate Jewish holidays and culture. Over the years, the group has grown to over 400 members. We welcome singles and couples of all beliefs to join

us. We are dedicated to providing a warm, friendly environment.

Save the dates

- Our next membership meeting will be Monday, February 24. Following the meeting, we will enjoy "game night."
- We will hold our annual Purim party Sunday, March 16.

Members receive details of our events via email.





Deborah G. showed her holiday spirit by wearing a menorah hat at our Hanukkah gala



Everyone received five chances to win gift baskets. One basket was filled with reading materials and included books written by SCA residents M.A.R. Unger and Marnee Foldoe



Socializing and playing dreidel followed our menorah lighting

For more details, membership forms, upcoming events, photo galleries, and to contact any leadership team member, visit our website at **Havurah.scaclub.org**. You can also find membership forms at the kiosk outside the Activities office. The Havurah mailbox is located across from the fitness desk at Anthem Center. Membership dues are \$15 per person. Questions? Contact our president Debbie Blonder at DebbieBlonder@icloud.com or 703-624-0897.

Jewish tidbits

Why are male Jewish babies circumcised? Jewish boys are circumcised when they are eight days old. This ritual, called a brit milah, is performed by a mohel, a specially trained Jewish man.

The tradition was established in the *Torah* (Jewish Bible) in the book of Genesis. G-d ordered Abraham to keep the covenant between Him and all of Abraham's offspring (all the Jewish people). "This is My covenant which you shall keep between Me and you and your offspring after you: Every male among you shall be circumcised ... that shall be the sign of the covenant between Me and you. At the age of eight days every male among you shall be circumcised throughout the generations ... An uncircumcised male ... that soul shall be cut off from its people; he has invalidated My covenant."

At this ceremony, the name of the baby, which had been kept secret, is announced. Circumcision did not begin with the Jewish people. Many ancient people performed it as a rite of passage to puberty.

HIKING AND OUTING



Celebrating 25 years of adventure! 2025 marks the 25th anniversary of our Hiking Club. To commemorate this milestone, we sat down with one of our founding members, Steve Zorick, to learn about the club's beginnings and evolution over the years.

The story of our Hiking and Outing Club

Steve recalls the Hiking Club as a concept that arose out of a conversation that he had with Mike and Pat Carey (club founders) in October 1999. The first meeting was held in January 2000 in a trailer-like temporary building. Steve was assigned to draft bylaws and chose the name Hiking and Outing Club to reflect the broader concept of a club that organized day trips, away trips, parties, bike rides, canoeing, and other adventures including backpacking and rock climbing.

In its very beginnings, the club discovered hikes through trial and error, often relying on the book Hiking Las Vegas: 60 Hikes Within 60 Minutes of the Strip by Branch Whitney. While helpful, its descriptions sometimes lacked accuracy, leading the club to create its own journal of local hikes. This journal has now evolved into a comprehensive guide, categorized by season and difficulty level.

Steve has played a pivotal role in the club's history, leading 62 away trips to date. These adventures include visits to every national park west of the Mississippi, as well as international trips to Germany, Mexico, Canada, and Switzerland.

In formative years, before a club website was available, members relied on paper maps and booklets, which came at a considerable expense. Initially, annual membership dues were just \$2, gradually



Founding members at Bryce Canyon 2000



Current members in our club 20 plus years



increasing to \$5, \$7, and now \$10 — a price that remains a bargain for all the benefits the club offers!

Originally, hikes were on Mondays and Fridays, with groups averaging 15 to 20 participants. Members celebrated milestones with awards, such as "Most Improved Hiker." Steve fondly recalls Phyllis Martin, a member who began with short two-mile walks and eventually summited Mt. Whitney, the highest mountain in the contiguous United States.

Outings were often hikes paired with meals, fostering a close, family-like atmosphere. Christmas parties were a beloved tradition, often hosted at Steve's home.

Safety has always been a top priority for the club. "We've never lost anyone on a hike — well, maybe only temporarily!" Steve jokes. The club follows strict safety rules and uses radios to ensure communication.

Many early members are still part of our community and active in the club, including Elly Roberts, Steve Lynch, Kathy Hopkins, Alan Socolik, Steve Zorick, Jay Carr, and Mike Lienhard. Kathy, an early secretary, was instrumental in creating the club's first website, which is now an essential resource.

Upcoming membership meeting

Our next membership meeting is a potluck scheduled for February 27 at 5:30 p.m. at Independence Center. Bring a dish and join us as we celebrate adventure, friendship, and community. For more information visit our website at sites.google.com/view/scahikingclub2/home.

HORSE RACING



Have you ever walked past a casino sports book and heard all the yelling and excitement over a horse race and wondered why? Well, join the Sun City Anthem Horse Racing Club to find out.

On Friday mornings, many members of the club have been meeting online to handicap the following Saturday's races. All club members are invited to join us at the South Point Hotel and Casino's Race and Sports Book. Don't be left at the gate. Join our club, and we'll wager you are bound to have fun. We are a duesfree club. See you there! Contact Bill Hoge at 702-776-7793, or our president Ralph, at 702-685-7246, for more information.

INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL CONNECTIONS



Love cures people, both the ones who give it and the ones who receive it.

~ Karl Menninger

This year marks our 20th anniversary! The International Cultural Club was chartered in 2005 as the first SCA cultural club, and we embrace and celebrate all cultures with our sister clubs. We hope you will join us for a year full of fun and camaraderie. To find out more about us, visit our website at iccc.scaclub.org.





SCA Club Fair in December

Save the date

Monthly coffee klatch on February 3 at 11 a.m., Nelson Room, Independence Center

Birthdays, refreshments, videos and conversation about the upcoming Food & Friends restaurant outing for soul food, and more.

Language

Are you interested in learning a new language? We have a simple phone app to recommend, and you can also join our conversation groups. For inquiries, email us through our website or drop a note in the ICCC mailbox.

Charity helpers

Become a part of our generous community of members dedicated to supporting local charities that provide food, shelter, and clothing. Our website has more information.

Love makes the world go round

Amour, Agapo. Here is one for our friends of Greek and Italian heritage. The origins of Valentine's Day remain unclear, but it is thought to have become a holiday in the fifth century, based on the ancient Roman pagan festival Lupercalia, which took place on February 15. Valentine's Day, also called Saint Valentine's Day or the Feast of Saint Valentine, is celebrated annually on February 14. Interestingly, there were multiple saints named Valentine.

Cupid, the chubby baby with the bow and arrow, was originally the Greek god Eros, who was depicted as handsome and virile. Red roses symbolize love because in Greek mythology, they were sacred to Aphrodite, the goddess of love.





February celebrations

African American History month

Lunar New Year, Lantern Festival

February 2 - Candlemas

February 2 – Groundhog Day

February 4 – International Day of Human Fraternity

February 8 – Nirvana Day

February 14 – Valentine's Day

February 17 – Presidents Day

Black History Week was established in 1926 by historian Carter G. Woodson to honor the significant contributions of African Americans. The celebration takes place during the second week of February to align with the birthdays of Abraham Lincoln (February 12) and abolitionist/writer Frederick Douglass (February 14).

Must-see movie

The Six Triple Eight streaming on Netflix. Terrific movie about the only Black Women's Army Corps in Europe during WW II.

Leadership

Thank you to our 2024 leadership team for all the terrific memories we created this past year, from the May Luau and the August Love and Peace reunion to our December "Holidays Around the World" brunch.

Congratulations to our 2025 leadership team!

Phyll Perry, president Judith Gorman, vice president/secretary Wendy Mui, secretary Debbie Bush and Kathy Dauenhauer, at-large leaders

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ITALIAN FORUM



If you would like to meet warm people and experience quality events, while sharing various aspects of

the beautiful Italian culture, come join us. Everyone of all nationalities is welcome. Annual dues are \$15 per person. Our goal is always to leave you with a little bit of Italy in your mind and heart. You can access more information, membership forms, and more on our website at ItalianForum.SCAClub.org.

LIFELONG LEARNING



The Lifelong Learning Club pursues knowledge through the presentation of lectures on topics of general interest to SCA residents.



Lifelong Learning 2025 leadership team

Patient Advocacy: Navigating the Hospital System

Holly Sweetin, BSN, RN, CCRN, Patient Advocate Lorrie Caldwell, RN

Tuesday, February 4, 10 a.m., Delaware Room

Nurses Sweetin and Caldwell will provide valuable insights into the standard of care in hospital settings and explain who is authorized to intervene. Join us to learn some basic things you should know and learn when you need help.

How Israel Pulled Off the Pager Bombings

David Berman, SCA resident Tuesday, February 11, 10 a.m., Delaware Room

On September 17 of last year, several thousand pagers in the hands of Hezbollah leaders and members in Lebanon and Syria detonated simultaneously, killing dozens and injuring several thousand. The result of several years of planning by Israel's Mossad, and evocative of the most intricate spy novels, the operation is regarded as one of the boldest and most successful ever conducted by Israel against its enemies.

Assembling the story from careful research involving a number of sources, David Berman will share the little-known details of how this historic intelligence operation was conducted. David has given many talks to various clubs on wide-ranging subjects and is an engaging speaker. You will not want to miss this presentation.

A Pilgrimage on the Camino de Santiago

Karen Gibson, SCA Resident Wednesday, February 19, 10 a.m., Delaware Room

The Camino de Santiago is a renowned route in Spain that leads to the Cathedral de Compostela. This historic 500-mile trek pilgrimage, traveled for over a thousand years, invites individuals from all faiths to embark on a spiritual quest. The photographic journey is stunning, and one you won't want to overlook.

Discussion Group: Southern Nevada Economic Development Act would open 3,000 acres of Avi Kwa Ame National Monument

Friday, February 28, 10 a.m., Penn Room

${f Clubs}$

MAH JONGG



The Mah Jongg Club promotes the social aspects of this beloved game. One benefit of joining the club is receiving free lessons for American and Asian mah jongg. Over the years individuals have taken advantage of this wonderful opportunity and have met many people and formed new friendships.

Club members enjoy birthday celebrations on the third Tuesday of each month at noon in the Morris/Nelson Rooms, with at least 40 members in attendance for the celebration. And for the icing on the cupcakes or cookies, a lucky club member receives a gift card.

Club officers meet the third Tuesday of each month at 10 a.m. in the Morris/Nelson Rooms. All club members are welcome to attend and share their suggestions.

Save the date

On February 4, we will be hosting the first social of the year. All members who have paid their dues for 2025 are welcome to join us for "pizza day" at noon. Members who paid in November or December are considered in good standing for 2025. Keep an eye on your email for announcements about upcoming events throughout the year.

Looking to start a game or wish to sub? Check the bulletin board in the Morris/Nelson mah jongg room. If you wish to learn the fun and social game of American or Asian mah jongg, free lessons will be given when a group of at least four is formed. If interested in Asian lessons, contact Dottie Gennes at 702-202-3459 or dotti@aol.com.

If you are interested in American lessons, Marilyn Doran will be teaching on Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to noon in the Morris/Nelson Room. For inquiries, reach out to Marilyn at marilyndlv@gmail.com. You must be a club member to receive lessons.

If you find a mah jongg tile, please put it in an envelope and mark it lost tile and leave it in the Morris/Nelson Room.

SCA Asian mah jongg fan cards are available for \$3 from any club officer. Call or text club president Jackie Carroll at 909-263-7989.

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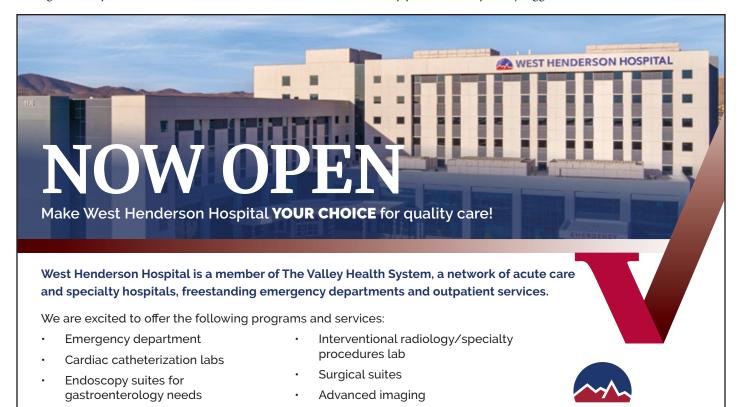
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2025 Mah Jongg Club officers

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MULTIMEDIA



Nothing in this world can take the place of persistence. Talent will not; nothing is more common than unsuccessful men with talent. Genius will not; unrewarded genius is almost a proverb. Education will not; the world is full of educated derelicts. Persistence and determination alone are omnipotent. The slogan 'Press On!' has

solved and always will solve the problems of the human race. ~ President Calvin Coolidge

Happy Valentine's Day humor

Q. Why did the AI break up with its girlfriend? A. It couldn't find a compatible algorithm for love.



SCA Club Fair in December

What is the Multimedia Club?

Discover member benefits by scanning our QR code or viewing the video on our webpage at multimedia.scaclub.org/node/14.

Do you want to write an article that people will read, take a 300 dpi photo with your phone, easily count words, or even have AI write your article? We can show you how!

Workshops

- Make Videos That Go Viral with Marques Brownlee. Brownlee is an American YouTuber, influencer, and best known for his videos reviewing technology devices, he has over 19 million subscribers across all channels and 4.95 billion total video views.
- AI For Dummies. Use AI to write and edit your images and videos

Save the date

Transcending Boundaries: A Digital Renaissance Art and Music Showcase. February 20, Independence Center from 5 to 7 p.m.

Step into a mesmerizing fusion of classical artistry and cuttingedge technology as master digital artist Michael Molony unveils his groundbreaking collection. Drawing from the rich



Al creations by Mike Molony

traditions of Art Nouveau, Realism, Art Deco, Impressionism, Surrealism, and Abstract Expressionism, Molony harnesses the revolutionary power of artificial intelligence to create works that challenge our perception of what art can be. With five decades of computer science expertise, Molony pushes the boundaries of digital creativity, producing pieces that seamlessly blend timeless artistic movements with contemporary innovation. This carefully curated exhibition features 40 extraordinary works that showcase the limitless possibilities when human imagination meets technological mastery. You won't want to miss this!

Our meetings welcome guests three times before membership is required. Are you interested in knowing more about custom pieces of art or exploring AI-generated music? For more details, email us at multimediasca@gmail.com or visit our website multimedia.scaclub.org.

February's brain teaser

When was the Oscars first televised? Send answers to multimediasca@gmail.com and win a prize.



Frank E. Johnson, Dianne and Burt Davis

Club requests

Need a club or private video created? Email us at multimediasca@gmail.com.

Wanted

Techie or non techie? We are looking for secretarial support, marketing, and social media mavens, among other roles. Become a part of our team today.

Closing out

A huge thank you to Dianne Davis our entertainment reporter who gifted our club with eight Las Vegas strip show tickets at our Holiday Sweater party! Congratulations to all the winners. Watch Dianne's reviews on our website and YouTube links.



It's a WRAP!

NEW YORK METRO



NEW YORK METRO CLUB The New York Metro Club kicked off 2025 with a celebration of Chinatown in New York City! The club's leadership team has worked hard to organize enjoyable events and provide great food for our members. Keep an eye out for

information on future gatherings, including Bagel Brunch Night and our annual Deli Night.

The New York Metro Club is dedicated to bringing New York fun and excitement to SCA residents who hail from or have connections to the east coast. The club is open to members of good standing in SCA who enjoy fun events. We welcome and appreciate new members.

Find membership applications at Anthem Center, either on the kiosk outside fitness or near the main entrance. Contact Diane Askwyth, club president for an application or more information at diane52a@gmail.com or sca.ny.metro@outlook.com.

PADDLE TENNIS



What's all the racket going on at Liberty Center? It's paddle tennis! If you like to have fun while exercising, then this is the club for you.

This great sport is not the same as tennis. The court is much smaller, the net is lower, and we use paddles and deflated tennis balls.

Don't worry if you have never played before. Our fellow members will get you started. You don't even have to worry about bringing equipment. Our club supplies paddles and balls for your use during club hours. All you need to do is show up with nonmarking court shoes.

We play at Liberty Center and our dues are \$10 per year. Club play days are Sunday, Tuesday and Friday mornings at 8:30 a.m. For more information contact ReneeCochran1@gmail.com.

PAN



Come join us! Get out of the house and learn an exciting new card game similar to gin rummy. This game is played with up to eight people using eight decks of cards. There are runs and sets, and no 8s, 9s, or

10s, so a run would be a 6, 7, and Jack. Certain cards are pay cards, and all spades are double.



Pan, a fun rummy game played differently

We play in the Anthem Gallery near the Fitness Center on Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 12:15 to 3:30 p.m. Come about five minutes early as we draw for seats. Hope to see you soon.

For more information about the club, contact our president LouAnn Peltier at 619-548-0521 or email Lou.peltier.123@gmail.com.

PARTY BRIDGE



Introducing the leadership team

Ann Murray is the new president of the Party Bridge Club, where she has been a member for the past five years. Her mother taught her to play when she was a teenager, and she played bridge socially ever since. Ann has been married to her husband Terry for 52 years. Both are originally

from the midwest and spent 35 years in San Diego before retiring to SCA. Prior to retirement, Ann was a special education teacher for 40 years. The couple has two children residing in San Diego, along with their two young grandsons.

Our new vice president, Douglas Bell, learned bridge during high school. He was employed in 1976 by Clark County as a federal funds grant administrator helping the moderate- low-income residents. He retired in 2008 and moved to SCA in 2019. Doug enjoys traveling with his wife, volunteering to feed the homeless and helping families and seniors find affordable housing. He also does landscape at his church and plays the cornet, all while being an active member of many SCA clubs.

Suzanne Adrian continues as secretary of the club. She grew up in a bridge-playing family. She and her husband Ken moved to SCA in 2006 after her retirement as a speech and language pathologist in southern California. Over the span of 41 years, she worked as an elementary teacher and SLP in eight school districts across the U.S. and in Japan. She holds degrees in education from Baylor University and North Texas State University, along with a degree in SLP from Oklahoma University. Together, they have four children, five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Michael Sweere is stepping into the role of treasurer. He was raised in a Wisconsin farming family where he learned to work hard by milking cows. At the age of 17, with his parents' consent, he enlisted in the Army and managed military projects. He eventually moved to Colorado where he took on the role of superintendent of construction projects in 11 states. While working at the newly constructed Denver International Airport, he met and married Donna. They relocated to Hawaii, where Donna practiced as a clinical psychologist for 13 years, while Michael revived a condo complex and sold residential properties. They returned to the mainland and settled in the Colorado mountains. Michael purchased a portable sawmill to improve the property and Donna published two novels. Five years ago, they moved to SCA. Michael fulfilled a bucket list wish by becoming a certified poker dealer and working at the World Series of Poker.



The Party Bridge 2025 leadership team



Party Bridge sessions are on Sundays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 1 to 3:30 p.m. in the Emerson/Franklin Rooms. For more information contact Ann Murray at 619-820-4306.

We would like to thank Rich Berger and John Athey for playing background music for our holiday party.

PERFORMING ARTS



Last chance to see the light

Don't miss the final performances of our uplifting musical comedy, Charlie Sees the Light. Tickets for the matinees on February 1 and 2 are available in the Activities Department and on our website at pac.scaclub.org.

Explore your performing arts potential with a supportive community in one of our shared interest groups.

Anthem Community Players include actors, singers, musicians, dancers, and a wide range of backstage roles. Contact Norene at norwalco@cox.net.

Anthem Jazz Dancers are buzzing with new energy, and now is the perfect time to check us out. No dance experience? No problem! We promise a fun and relaxed atmosphere. Join us in Liberty Center on Mondays and Saturdays at 3 p.m. Contact Linda at VegasLindaLou@gmail.com.

Choraliers is a mixed choral group that enjoys singing four-part harmony in a variety of genres. Rehearsals are Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to noon in the Morris/Nelson Room. New members are welcome, and auditions are not necessary. Contact Ronnie at savino2140@gmail.com.



Dress rehearsal with the fabulous cast of Charlie Sees the Light

Desert Divas offers hula dancing classes Sundays, 12:30 to 2 p.m. and Mondays and Fridays, 1:30 to 3 p.m. in Liberty Center. Join our award-winning Kupuna Hula Ohana dancers. Classes are free for club members. Contact Cyndi at cynthiamapes@aol.com.

Karaoke is on hiatus. If you are interested in assisting or leading this group contact Vince at vintzinvegas2019@gmail.com.

The Musicians' Guild brings together like-minded musicians and vocalists to create small ensembles.

The Last Ride Band is available to perform at SCA club events for a small donation to the Performing Arts Club. Contact Jim at dochowe@sbcglobal.net.

Reader's Playhouse performs skits with no memorization required! Everyone is welcome to participate in short play readings at our meetings on the third Thursday monthly at 5:30 p.m. in Liberty Center. Contact Richard at r_guaraldi@yahoo.com.

Showstoppers new technique class has begun and still has available spots. Dance Fuzion explores fundamental principles and techniques of ballet, jazz and modern dance applied toward heightened awareness of the body and its relationship to rhythm,

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Sean Kearney Call or Text (916) 521-0065 energy and space. Classes are on Wednesdays at 11 a.m. in Liberty Center. Contact Susan at susan5005@hotmail.com.

Storytellers meetings are the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the Arlington Room. February's theme is "My Wildest Dream," but members and visitors are invited to tell a story on any topic of interest. Join us on February 5. Contact Shirley at o.shirley@yahoo.com.

Tapping for Fun is for tappers of all skill levels who may want to perform on stage or just star in front of their home mirror. Join us for fun, exercise and to learn tap techniques. We will start with the basics and perhaps soar to be like Gene Kelly or Bill Bojangles. Our sessions will take place on February 6 and 20, from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the Delaware Room. Contact Samaria at airamasretten219@gmail.com.

Technicians are skilled in lighting, sound, stage management and computers. To join and for future training, contact Jim at dochowe@sbcglobal.net.

For more club information visit scapac.org or send an email to Norene at norwalco@cox.net. Annual dues are \$10.

PET



Happy Valentine's Day! Love is in the air this month. Make sure you give your loved ones and your fur babies extra love.

Our next Pet Club meeting is Wednesday, February 19, at 10 a.m. in the courtyard of Independence

Center. Leashed pets are welcome unless we need to move to the Penn Room in inclement weather. Keep an eye out for an announcement on our guest speaker.

Our upcoming Bingo is scheduled for Wednesday, February 26 in the Morris/Nelson/Penn Rooms at Independence Center. Doors open at 5:15 p.m. and ticket sales end at 6:10 p.m. sharp! You must sign up in advance to secure a spot. Go to pet.scaclub.org/bingo to register. You do not have to be a member of the club to play. However, if you are interested in joining the club, more details are available on our website pet.scaclub.org. Annual dues are \$15 per household.

This month's Bingo beneficiary is Noah's Animal House, a fullservice pet facility located on the grounds of a domestic violence shelter. Noah's aims to remove the "No Pets Allowed " barrier at women's shelters so that courageous survivors can get back on their feet with their pets by their side.

I look forward to seeing you soon!

Rhonda Marazzo, president

PHOTO



Photo Editing for Basics for Cell Phone Photo Photographers, our second workshop this year, takes place February 19 from noon to 2 p.m. in the Penn Room, Independence Center.

This month's article focuses on reflection photographs. Whether an image is reflected on a river, in a puddle, or on a window, a reflection causes the viewer to see the image twice. It can turn the world upside down.

Since you can't move a river, it's up to you to reposition yourself for the best angles. This might involve getting closer and bending low, maybe even getting your feet wet. As you move, adjust your composition. Try having objects in the foreground or centered.

Consider the "rule of thirds" and position an object in a third of the photo. The composition technique of "leading lines" can also draw the viewer's eyes across the image and reflection.

As always, weather is a factor. A lake will not reflect anything in the rain. However, after a downpour, the water may be still, and surrounding trees or vegetation may sparkle with raindrops.

Lastly, do not be afraid to get creative with your shots. Fine-tune them further with post-processing.



Reflection of sky and bridge supports ("rule of thirds" and "leading lines"). Photo by Ian Cheah



Creative reflection in a crystal lensball, a woman walking on a beach. Photo by Jeff Collin

If you are an SCA resident interested in photography, no matter what your level of experience, we want to meet you.

Our next regular meeting is February 20, from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Penn Room, Independence Center.

The next informal Cameras, Coffee, and Chat gathering is February 26, from 10 to 11 a.m. in the Knox Room.

For more information, see our website at **scaphotoclub.com**. To join send an email to scaphotoclub2023@gmail.com.



PICKLEBALL



The holiday party was a wonderful and festive event. Members enjoyed an Italian dinner provided by Yorktown Grill and danced

to live music from the Randy Anderson Band. Thank you to all our helpers and volunteers, especially to Sheila Gillis, for making the evening so much fun and unforgettable. We are going to miss you and Paul!



Sheila and Paul Gillis (top), Tom and Jean Truman (bottom)



Laraine and Joe Livolsi, Renee and Jack Richards

Ongoing play

We provide numerous opportunities to play. Alongside the open play sessions that start daily at 7 a.m., we also organize meetups that begin at 1:45 p.m.

Mondays, women only Tuesdays, mixed Wednesdays, beginner's Thursdays, men only Fridays, mixed



Our very own men's holiday choir (top), Dave and Linda Stillmaker, Lori and Bill Stuart (bottom)

Safety first

Remember when you are heading out to the court to have fun and be safe!

- ✓ Good Shoes
- ✓ Eye Protection
- ✓ Warm-up
- ✓ Hydrate

Coming soon

- New player orientation, Monday, February 3. Check the calendar for time.
- Spring fun league, March dates TBA.
- Chili cookoff, March 15.

See you on the courts!

PINOCHLE



Play or learn the pinochle game! Pinochle is an engaging card game that offers a mix of strategy, luck, friendly competition, and fun. Engaging in the game can help to keep your mind sharp.

Pinochle is played in partnerships, requiring collaboration and teamwork. If you enjoy friendly competition, the game offers a platform for testing your skills against others.

New members wanted! Annual dues are \$5. If you know the game, please join us. If you want to learn or just need a refresher, we will teach you. We play both single and double deck pinochle.

Play starts promptly on Wednesdays from 1 to 4 p.m. in the Emerson/Franklin Rooms. Instructions for new players or experienced players needing a refresher course is provided during the Wednesday play starting at 1 p.m.

For more information, contact Cyndy Crossman at 951-897-1701 or Danelle Glassburg at 847-533-7455.



Fold and live to fold again. ~ Stu Ungar

SCA Club Fair

The SCA Club Fair in December was an enormous success for the Poker Club. We signed up many new members, bringing our total to over 165

strong! Why aren't you one of our new players?

Working hard (or hardly working?) at the club fair. Not pictured but also working at the fair, John Naccarato and David Rubin.

He just had to show it

Royal flushes don't come along too often, so when they do you have to show. George Frankhouser was all smiles when he hit his!



Lucille Maranda, vice president; Jackie Preta, treasurer and Randy Buck, president

We play well with others

We have a great assortment of poker games most days of the week:

- Texas holdem no limit tournaments on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays at 10 a.m. Usually, three to four tables. Just show up.
- On the second and fourth Wednesdays at 5 p.m., there is a tournament limited to 16 players. Contact Barry at barryvg50@cox.net or 917-603-7994 to sign up for a seat.



George Frankhouser with a royal flush

- Texas holdem limit games are on Thursdays at 1 p.m. and Saturdays at 9:45 a.m. Usually enough for one table of eight or more. The games are for two and a half hours. Just show up.
- Omaha hi-lo 8 or better is our newest addition which has been getting two tables of players on Monday from 1 to 3 p.m. Contact Donna E. if you want to be on the list of players at 949-257-7584 or donnaeiben@gmail.com.
- Dealer's choice is for the really creative player. Everyone deals their own game - all high and low with some declare games included. No wild cards though. Pete runs this game on Tuesdays at noon. Contact him to get on his player list at pcfoley8@gmail.com or 201-602-6444.
- Seven card stud hi-low declare is another Pete-managed game. Play it on Saturdays from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Contact Pete at pcfoley8@gmail.com or 201-602-6444. Pete has lately been getting two tables of players for this favorite game.

If you have questions, email us at SCAPokerClub@gmail.com. You can access our website by logging on to SCA's website at scahoa.com, clicking on Clubs, and then selecting Poker.



PORCELAIN

Happy Valentine's Day!



Member spotlight

This month, we highlight Dorothy Grube, who has provided our Spirit club article for the past four years. Dottie's passion is creating dolls. To quote her, "This club is more than just a hobby - we are a family of friends." Thanks for your work in making us such a success!

Come join us

We invite you to come and check out our porcelain class on Wednesday mornings from 9 a.m. to noon in the Ceramics Room. All levels including beginners are welcome. The club recognizes and celebrates birthdays at Yorktown Grill or a local restaurant. We share new techniques and enjoy plenty of laughs together!



Dorothy Grube



Porcelain Club Christmas party



Come join us

If you are interested in participating in the weekly fun, our annual dues are \$1. Yes, just a dollar! New members are supplied with paint and a piece of glazed pottery to get you started. Your future glazed porcelain pieces can be purchased at places such as Home Goods, Amazon, and Maryland China. For more information contact Kathy Kaiser at 702-260-1029.

REPUBLICAN



The Republican Club meets on the second Saturday of each month at 10 a.m. in the Morris/Nelson Room in Independence Center. All SCA residents are invited to attend. We proudly embrace all genders, races, ethnic groups, cultures, nationalities, and religions. The Republican Club has worked hard to build

networks of influence in city, county, state, and national matters.



Kicking off the new year

On January 11, we were thrilled to welcome Dan Lier as our first speaker of the year. Dan, a best-selling author and internationally acclaimed expert on sales, leadership, and motivation, inspired us with his talk, Making 2025 Our Best Year Ever.

As a fellow Republican and former Nevada assembly candidate (2022), Dan reminded us of the unique opportunities we have at this time, but also emphasized the importance of staying engaged. He encouraged us to actively participate in the upcoming legislative session by voicing our wishes and opinions. Dan also took time to answer questions from our members, making the event both insightful and interactive.

Upcoming club events

Mark your calendars and plan to attend these informative events.

February 8

Our featured speaker will be the recently promoted fire chief Scott Vivier, who will discuss the Henderson Fire Department's operations and initiatives. Additionally, we will provide updates on the legislative session and also hear from our three scholarship recipients as they share their experiences.

March 8

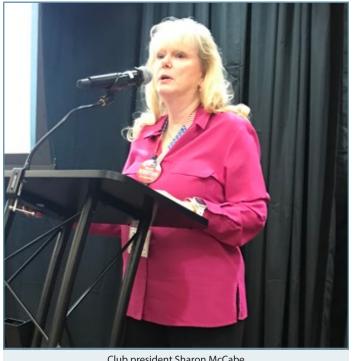
We're excited to welcome a representative from Brightline to speak about the proposed high-speed train connecting Las Vegas and Rancho Cucamonga, CA.

Final thoughts

As Americans and we embark on a new chapter in politics, it is crucial to remember that wishing for the failure of a new administration is, in essence, wishing for our country to falter. The United States has weathered many challenges and emerged stronger each time. Let us focus on lifting each other up and building a brighter future together.

Membership

For more information about the Republican Club, contact our president, Sharon McCabe at Sharon.McCabesca@gmail.com. If you are not currently a member, consider joining.



Club president Sharon McCabe

We'd love to have you on board! Dues are \$15 per person and can be paid at our club meetings, or placed in our mailbox, in Anthem Center. Include the club membership application and your check made out to Sun City Anthem Community Association and indicate "Republican Club" on the memo Line.

REVERE MEN'S GOLF

The purpose of the club is to develop and coordinate the golfing activities and play dates for our membership and to see that golf days and types of play are organized and responsive to our membership. Throughout all our activities, it is our goal to promote goodwill and fellowship.

The Revere Men's Golf Club holds its games every Wednesday. Residency in SCA is a requirement for membership. Start times change with the seasons: earlier in summer and later times in winter. Both courses are used on a rotating basis, with the Concord course being more frequently used.

The cost to join is \$70 per person per year. This includes membership in the SNGA, through which one can establish and maintain a handicap (index).

There is also an optional \$15 hole in one fee. Everyone who gets a hole in one during the calendar year will share this prize.

Tee times will be 8 a.m. February's schedule is:

- Criss Cross Individual Net plus Skins on Concord will be on February 5.
- Team 6-6-6, 1-2-3 Best Net plus CTP on Lexington will be played on February 12.
- Individual Gross and Net on Concord will be on February 19.
- Individual Gross plus Skins on Lexington will be on February 26.

For more information on our club, google Revere Men's Golf Club or type in your browser reveremensgolfclub.godaddysites.com.

ROCK AND ROLL PLUS DANCE



Dance into 2025 with the Rock and Roll Plus Dance Club. We offer opportunities to learn and engage in dancing to the music of the 50s, 60s and 70s. All skill levels are welcome. The main ingredients are music, movement, and merriment.

Mark your calendars

Our first social dance party for 2025 is set for Sunday, February 16 from 2 to 5 p.m. in Anthem Center Ballroom. This event is free for members and \$5 for non-members. No need to RSVP, simply sign in or pay at the door. A DJ will be playing the music, and you are welcome to bring your own non-alcoholic beverages.



Melody Matthews-Gitzlaff and Keith Gitzlaff



Denny and Pat Westbrook, Leeann Longo, Margo Longo, Nina Pearlman, Linda Uller, Sal Longo

Our inaugural dinner dance party of 2025 is scheduled for Saturday, April 5. Registration details will be emailed to members and posted on our website.

We hold free dance lessons on Tuesdays, Fridays and Sundays. All lessons take place at Liberty Center in the movement room.

On Tuesdays at 12:45 p.m. sharp, Marlene will teach line dancing for newcomers or beginners, as well as for line dancers who just want to do simple, easy dances to slower music. We encourage those new to dance to start on the first Tuesday of the month, since new steps and dances are taught that day and then will be repeated every Tuesday throughout the month.

Marlene is available at 12:30 p.m. to help anyone with our new steps or steps that they may be having difficulty with.



Line dancers having a good time

On Fridays from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Marlene teaches beginnerimprover line dancing. A preview of the day's steps begins at 11:15 a.m.

On Sundays from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Ed Hecker and Mary Ann Dering teach swing and other social dances. Single dancers rotate so no need to worry if you do not have a dance partner.

Information on dance lessons and events is posted on our club website. Photos from previous events are found in our photo gallery. Videos from previous events are also viewable on our website at rockroll.scaclub.org. To access, you must first sign into the SCA website at scahoa.com.

Our dues are \$15 per calendar year. Fill out an application online at our website or pick one up at the kiosk near the Activities Department in Anthem Center. After filling out the form, submit it with your dues payment in the club mailbox across from the Fitness check-in desk. If paying by check, make the check payable to Sun City Anthem Community Association, Inc. (exact wording) or leave the payee line blank and we will stamp it with proper wording.

This month's photos feature our Rockin' in a Winter Wonderland dance party, held on December 27.

RV

Our first rally for 2025 was a short hop to Pahrump for a fabulous New Year's celebration. Looking ahead, our next one in April will take us to Paso Robles and the wine country, hosted by Bruce Lindsay and Alisa Cross at the Pasa Robles RV Ranch. We have reserved full hookups under our club's name. They have arranged two days of chauffeured wine tasting. Of course, you would not want to drive after a day of drinking wine! The weather should be perfect, promising a fantastic time. Interested? Sign up with Bruce Lindsay at the club meeting on February 25.

Just a little look back at the Christmas party held at Roy and Joanie Prince's house. What an amazing time, especially with TJ Tyler supplying the music. Almost everyone ended up on the dance floor!

REVERE GOLF CLUB Revere Golf Shop 702-259-4653 | Buckman's Grille 702-617-5780



GOLF

- The Scramble before the Big Game 8am Shotgun
 - Sunday, February 9th
 - 8am Shotgun Start on the Concord Golf Course
 - \$399 for Residents
 - Four-person scramble handicapped event
 - Includes greens fee, post-round food, prizes
 - Sign up at Eventbrite or in the golf shop
- Tips and Sips February/March \$99 per person
 - Tuesday Session 4pm 5pm
 - February 11th, 18th, 25th, March 4th
 - Thursday Session 4pm 5pm
 - February 13th, 20th, 27th, March 6th

FOOD & BEVERAGE

Buckman's Grille Early Closures & Events:

Friday, February 7th	Last Seating 3pm
Wednesday, February 12th	Live Music 4pm – 7pm
Saturday, February 22nd	Last Seating 1:30pm
Wednesday, February 26th	Live Music 4pm – 7pm
Thursday, February 27th	Last Seating 1:30pm

Dates and times subject to change. Please confirm your reservation through Open Table or call 702.617.5783







This month is Valentine's Day, so remember to get your honey a little something or take them out to dinner. Hey, why not buy them a new RV and come out with us on our rallies?

The SCA RV Club meets on the last Tuesday of the month in the Penn Room, Independence Center, at 4 p.m. There are no meetings in June, July or December. Look for us on the web at SCA-RV-Club.com. For more specific information, contact Lennard Grodzinsky, president, at Lennard@rgrgroup.com or 702-499-8570 (cell).



SCRABBLE



Come join us

- Mondays and Fridays, 12:30 to 4 p.m. in the Emerson/Franklin Room
- Annual dues are \$10

For more information, email club president Kathy Stieren at kstieren@gmail.com.

SEWING & QUILTING

Winter is in full swing, and members of the Sewing and Quilting Club are busy learning new skills, taking fun classes and participating in our club's interest groups. We welcome new members and now is a great time so you can participate in a year of fun activities and friendships. If you join our club, you are welcome to a full year of classes, training, workshops and activities, along with open sewing to complete your personal projects.

Come by and start on that project you have been putting off for so long or learn something new. We have several classes every month that are available to all our members. The classes are taught by



Sandy Lenenberg and her cowboy boot quilt. You can see her various quilts in the display cabinet adjacent the Computer Room



2025 leadership: Education officer Linda Garrison, treasurer Lynn Lincoln, president Katrina Heath, first VP Diane Deep, second VP Jean Abraham, secretary Lorene Osterday and charity officer Shiela DeFrancesco

club members and range from beginning to advanced projects. Also, our shared interest groups are open to all club members:

Loose Threads quilting group for those interested in quilting.

Stitching Divas is for members who focus on machine embroidery.

Featherweight Fanatics is for members who own or want to learn more about these small, collectable sewing machines.

Quilters for Charity is for members interested in making quilts to distribute to various charities in the Las Vegas and Henderson area.

Our sewing room is available for use whenever a monitor present and there are no classes taking place. Monitors are scheduled to be in the room Mondays through Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Fridays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and weekends from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Stop by and visit with us - we love visitors!

We would like to thank our members, friends, and SCA residents for their continued support. Our creations include a variety of items such as doll clothes, placemats, steering wheel covers, coasters, embroidered items, aprons, children's crayon bags, mah jongg mats, and our ever-popular microwave cozies.

In our groups, members can learn new skills or simply connect with fellow sewing enthusiasts. Our club is a diverse group that includes active men and women. We invite you to consider becoming a member. Visit our website for information on the club, classes, upcoming events and the groups we offer. We look forward to meeting you and sharing our friendly atmosphere and love of sewing.

The club website is **saq.scaclub.org**. The phone number in the sewing room is 702-614-5830. Katrina Heath, club president, can be contacted at Alaskak64@gmail.com. She will be more than happy to answer your questions.

SILVER FOXES AND TRAVEL



Silver Foxes Social and Travel Club was established 12 years ago to foster camaraderie and organize group activities. Many of us moved to SCA for an active lifestyle, to meet like-minded individuals,

and to enjoy the various amenities the area has to offer. Each

month we indulge in dining out, touring local sites, and joining others for exciting and new experiences.

As 2025 begins, many of us are dreaming of travel possibilities. Our club has a variety of domestic and international trips, with ongoing additions from our travel professionals. It's more fun to travel with your Silver Foxes friends! Cool off in Antarctica, Greenland, or Iceland. Enjoy more exotic destinations like Singapore, Tahiti, Japan, Vietnam, and the Galapagos. European travel is always wonderful, so consider France, Portugal, Spain, Amsterdam, and more.

If you prefer domestic travel, we are looking forward to a pre-Mardi Gras New Orleans extravaganza. Check out our tour







Wine appreciation group outing



Holiday party



Cookie exchange

of Zion National Park, paired with a great show at Tuacahn theater's outdoor venue. Summer will bring a Canadian Rockies adventure. Our club's travel professionals are ready to help you with travel arrangements.

For those who wanted to be closer to home, we celebrated this past holiday season with a party at the Italian American Club, a cookie exchange, and a trip to Bellagio's Conservatory. Our leadership team is busy planning social activities for the year. Consider a St. Patrick's Day event, celebrating a traditional Irish tea including delicious savories, sweets, and a surprise. Foxy Ladies Lunches and Dinners with the Den are great opportunities to meet new and old friends.

Shared interest groups provide even more ways to get involved. Members can enjoy bunco, book clubs, gourmet clubs, and Silver Wolves (for the men). Our new and popular wine appreciation group has a February wine pairing, including three courses of tapas paired with wines from CA, OR, and WA.

Not a member yet? You can find our membership application on our website at **silverfoxes.scaclub.org**. Annual dues are \$10 per person. Drop off dues at the Silver Foxes mailbox in Anthem Center across from the Fitness desk. Make checks payable to Sun City Anthem Community Association, Inc., and write Silver Foxes membership in the memo section.

Reach us at silverfoxessocialandtravelclub@gmail.com or contact our president Geri Neber at gerineb@aol.com for more information.

SINGLES

Welcome. Are you single and in search of new friends and exciting experiences? We would love you to come to our club activities to see if you would like to join us. We are excited for a year filled with friendship and fun activities. Along with interest groups, local trips and other events, we meet bi-monthly for our T-Times. During these gatherings, we enjoy happy hours from 4 to 6 p.m. at SCA or various restaurants. This is a chance to socialize with old friends and meet new singles. Information about T-Times and club activities is sent to members by email.



Our new president Gunnar Oehman



Our new vice president Hanna Apple



Entertainment for a joyous holiday party, Lipstick and Stache

Special interest groups. The Singles Club offers various special interest groups, including two dining out groups, and one dedicated to Rummikub. We are also exploring the idea of starting a book group, as well as others for shopping, lunch, and breakfast. Sign-up sheets will be available during our T-Times.

Membership. Annual dues are \$10 per person. A membership form can be found in the kiosk next to the Activities office in Anthem Center. Checks should be made payable to Sun City Anthem Community Association, Inc. with Singles Club noted on the memo line, and deposited in the Fitness Center mailbox. Direct any questions to our club secretary Judy Barbour at judybarbour@yahoo.com.

SOFTBALL

The SCA Softball Club provides an outstanding slow-pitch softball experience for men and women 50 years and older. In the Las Vegas area, there are numerous amateur clubs for players of all skill levels. Since 2002, the SCA Softball Club has continued to be the best!

The club hosts every Tuesday and Friday mornings recreationallevel senior slow-pitch softball games. We welcome players of all skill levels. Our field is the Anthem Hills Park field #1, next to the Anthem East Trailhead. The address is 2256 N. Reunion Dr., Henderson, NV 89052.



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The triple play

Find groups of three things that share a common thread. The answers will relate to Major League Baseball (MLB). Watch out for items that seem to belong to multiple categories. Answers below, no peeking.

Curve	Texas Leaguer	Knuckle
Cookie	Blooper	Meatball
Fast	Hanger	Bleeder

Softball is a variant of baseball that is played on a smaller field. The game was invented in Chicago (1887) and originally played indoors. It quickly spread to outdoor fields and became popular in the United States and around the world.

It's a wonderfully curious game. The defense (pitcher, catcher, infielders, and outfielders) controls the ball (how odd) but cannot score points (runs), odder still. The objective of the offense (batting team) is to hit a thrown round object (softball) by swinging a round stick (bat) all the while trying to "keep your eye on the ball" and "squaring it up." The batter does not want to be out but wants to return home safely.

I hope I'll be safe at home! ~ George Carlin

Get a hit, get a high five! Make a great catch and get a high five! Bring donuts and get many high fives! Stop by Tuesday or Friday mornings around 9 a.m. and check out the SCA Softball Club.

For more information contact club president Scott Citron at 480-329-0256, scitron2@cox.net or visit scasoftballclub.wordpress.com. Our email is scasoftballclub@gmail.com.

The triple play answers

Texas Leaguer, Blooper, Bleeder weakly hit fair ball scored as a hit Curve, Fast, Knuckle Ball - type of pitch Cookie, Hanger, Meatball – a pitch easily hit by the batter



Softball Club officers: At-large leader Mark Silver, vice president Pete Vodden, secretary Steve Ainger, treasurer Neil Jones, president Scott Citron

SPOTLIGHT

Happy Valentine's Day! As we embrace this month of love and reflection, we also welcome February's chilly, wintry temperatures. Rest assured, your Spotlight cast and crew will warm the cockles of your heart with their dedicated practices and preparations for the upcoming spring show, Come Sail Away. It promises to whisk you away to exotic places yet unknown or bring back memories of yesteryear.

The crew of the SS Spotlight invites you to meet the rest of the cast in



COME SAIL AWAY

May 14, 17, & 18 - Freedom Hall Featuring the Spotlight Club singers and dancers Tickets go on sale March 14, 2025 at Spotlightclub.org or in the Activities Office

All performances will be in Freedom Hall. Tickets go on sale March 14 at spotlightclub.org or in the Activities office. It is not too early to mark your calendars!

- May 14, 6:30 p.m.
- May 17, 3 p.m.
- May 18, 3 p.m.



Performers confer with the show's directors



Dancers gather at holiday celebration

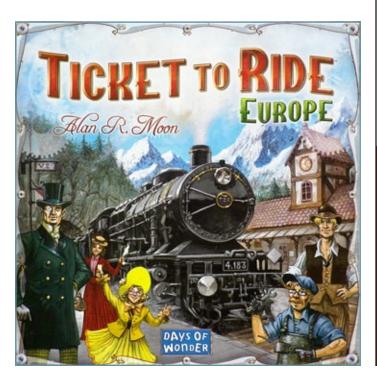
The Spotlight Club is a theater arts and mentoring club that brings professionals and non-professionals together to share their theater arts knowledge. We strive to provide quality performances to our SCA community. For more information, visit our website at spotlightclub.org.

STRATEGY GAMES



The Strategy Games Club has many fun and challenging games, to suit players of all skill levels. Come check out our library of games, where we have over 70 games ranging from easy to complex. There's something for you.

TICKET TO RIDE, one of the world's most popular board games, is often brought to the table when gamers get together, as it plays well at two to five players. The game debuted in 2004 and has since spawned many versions featuring cities, states, countries, and continents.





The second installment in the Ticket to Ride series of train adventures, TICKET TO RIDE: EUROPE, is more than just a new map. It offers brand new game-play elements including tunnels, ferries and train stations. Tunnels may require you to pay extra cards to build on them, ferries require locomotive cards in order to claim them, and stations allow you to sacrifice a few points in order to use an opponent's route to connect yours.

Even though only a few changes have been made to the game, coupled with the new map, they've produced a game that is just as good as the original yet seemingly more strategic. But TtR Europe feels like an entirely different game with the same mechanics.



2025 Class Dates:

- January 17
- February 21
- March 21
- April 18
- May 16
- June 20

- July 18
- August 15
- September 19
- October 17
- November 21
- December 19

See Activities to sign up today!



Having fun is synonymous with Strategy Games

The train cards also have little symbols on them that match little symbols on the tracks, allowing colorblind people to play.

As in the original TtR, each player has personal objectives in the form of tickets that they attempt to complete. Players collect and play train cards to reap the bonus points for connecting the destinations. The gameplay goes like this:

- Collect train cards, either from the draw pile or from a set of five cards laid face up beside the board. Players do this to collect sets of cards of the same color.
- 2. Claim a route by discarding cards that match the color and number of train cars on the track. A gray route can be claimed by a set of any color; a locomotive (wild) card can replace any card color. As players build their routes to complete destination tickets, they also score points.
- 3. During play, draw more tickets to complete more routes, keeping at least one of those drawn.

The scoring of tickets happens at the end of the game. Points on uncompleted tickets are deducted from final scores. There are also points awarded for longest train.

Come to one of our club's three weekly sessions, and we'll teach you how to play TICKET TO RIDE: EUROPE or any of our other games. We meet in Liberty Center multipurpose rooms Saturdays and Mondays from 1 to 5 p.m., and Thursdays from 5 p.m. on. Our dues are \$7, but come try us out for free! Come at the beginning of the session, and stay for one game, two or more! We are a collegial group that just wants to have fun, and we look forward to meeting you.

For more information, click on Strategy Games under the Clubs section of the SCA website, send an email to sca-sgc@googlegroups.com, or call Doug Chorey at 425 802-4718.

TABLE TENNIS



The Table Tennis Club accommodates all SCA members and their guests, regardless of skill level. Table tennis is a great sport for individuals who want to have fun and at the same time get physical and mental

exercise while improving their hand-eye coordination in a friendly social setting. Table tennis is a game that can be enjoyed by people of all ages, fitness levels, and abilities.

You are welcome to visit us for our open-play format during the club hours listed. If you decide you are going to have as much fun and exercise as we are having, you can join our club by filling out a membership application form. The membership fee is \$10.

Twice a year, we have a social table tennis mixer with the Summerlin Table Tennis Club. In the fall, we travel to their location, and in the summer, they come to us. The event features food and an abundance of doubles matches. To maintain a friendly atmosphere, we randomly pair up one of our players with one of theirs. A wonderful time is had by all.

Our club has reserved times at Independence Center, which is our normal schedule. Drop-ins are allowed when either of these rooms is available.

Fitness room

Weekdays except Tuesday 5:30 to 9 p.m. Tuesday 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday & Sunday 2 to 7 p.m.

Aerobics room

Weekdays except Wednesday 5:30 to 9 p.m. Wednesday 6:45 to 9 p.m. Saturday 2 to 7 p.m. Sunday 5:30 to 9 p.m.



Summerlin table tennis social mixer

All club members have access to a table tennis ball machine (robot), which can help players improve their skills and work on a multitude of different strokes at varying speeds. The machine is set up on Monday evenings in our equipment room from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Most players bring their paddles and balls. If you do not have your own, loaner club paddles are available.

To find out more about our club, contact any of the club's officers, or send us a note at Table. Tennis. Club. SCA@gmail.com. Members who have not been receiving our regular newsletters can also contact us at the same email.

TENNIS



The Tennis Club welcomes everyone to join, no matter what your prior tennis experience or skill level. We offer plenty of play groups, drop-in sessions and tournaments for your interests and abilities, making it easy to get started. Our lighted courts, including eight

at Anthem and three at Liberty allow play until 10 p.m. Throughout the year, we also have monthly events that blend tennis and social time.

Sign up to become a new member or renew your membership for 2025. Annual dues are \$15. Visit our website at tennis.scaclub.org for more information and key contacts within our club. To learn more about our weekly drop-ins and mixers, which are available at no charge to members, contact Mark Tetzlaff at marktetz@gmail.com or 804-450-7060.

President's Cup team tournament (In honor of Murray Ginsberg)

The tournament took place on Saturday, January 4, and quickly filled up with 36 players plus an additional 10 players. A big thank you to Mark Tetzlaff, our vice president and tournament director, for balancing the four teams, allowing players to compete effectively. The team captains included Ted Turner, Susan Stephens, Jerry Cant and Ken Delman.

AED and **CPR** classes

An AED has been installed at the tennis hut for emergency purposes only. On January 8, the SCA Emergency Preparedness Services Group (EPSG) held a 60 Minute-Hands Only AED/CPR



Tennis Club members gathered to celebrate the holiday season

course, which was attended by eight members of the Tennis Club. Based on demand, we will be offering another class. If you are interested email Kelly at scatenniskelly@gmail.com.

Upcoming events

Super Bowl Tournament, Saturday, February 8 Register online at tennis.scaclub.org.

BNP Paribus Open at Indian Wells, March 2 through 16

Go to bnpparibasopen.com to purchase tickets. Watch the real pros play like Iga Swiatek, Coco Gauff, and Carlos Alcarez along with the world's best doubles Players Jessica Pegula and Taylor Townsend.

April Spring Fling, Saturday, April 5

Register online at tennis.scaclub.org.

Success is a journey, not a destination. The doing is often more important than the outcome. ~ Arthur Ashe.

VETERANS



All SCA residents are invited to join the Veterans Club, whether one is a veteran or not. Annual dues are \$15. Our next meeting is February 11 at 6 p.m. in the Delaware room. Our guest speaker is Ben Wood. He is a Vegas resident who taught

history at Eldorado High School. He studied political science and international and comparative politics at UNLV and earned a graduate degree from the London School of Economics. The topic for the talk is Isis and the Yazidis: How American action stopped a genocide in Iraq. Extensive interviews with survivors tell the story of who they are and the importance of the U.S. military action that saved the people. This is a presentation you do not want to miss.



Homes for Our Troops (HFOT) has provided over 400 homes in the last 20 years to military members who suffered severe injuries while on active duty. "Building Homes, Rebuilding Lives" guides their mission. Navy Corpsman, HM3 Adrian Walker, joined the Navy in 2009. He was serving in Afghanistan with the Marines in 2013 when he suffered a vascular complication resulting in the loss of both limbs below his knees. The lack of mobility in his home, especially navigating with a wheelchair, made daily life difficult. HFOT was there to help. He was handed the keys to his custom home and received a Quilt of Valor from the quilting club in November of 2024. He, his wife Esther and their two children live in the Las Vegas area with other family members nearby. HFOT is a national charity we as a club support each year.

Our December 10 meeting was Game Day with a special visit from Santa. We enjoyed a variety of games including military trivia, true-and-false trivia and a team-building activity designed to test our building skills. Using just tape, paper, toothpicks and long spaghetti noodles we attempted the tallest tower we could, which also needed to withstand a large marshmallow propped on the top when completed. You can see from the picture it was quite the challenge. Where was the civil engineer or Seabee leading the building? Who came up with these games? We can thank Laurie DeGarmo. No doubt, the competitive spirit came out. Gifts were presented to the winners by Santa.





February 23 marks the 80th anniversary of the raising the flag on Iwo Jima. This was one of the bloodiest battles in Marine Corps history. It is also one of the most recognizable images from World War II. Over 60,000 Marines and Navy Sailors invaded the island on February 19 and over 7,000 died and 20,000 were wounded. 27 Medals of Honor were awarded. Semper Fi Marines!

WOMEN'S



Making A Difference

The SCA Women's Club fosters meaningful community relationships, provides charitable contributions to southern Nevada non-profit organizations, and creates a spirit of camaraderie and informational opportunities for its members.

The club's mission is accomplished through fun and innovative programs and events supported by our membership. If you are looking for a group doing important work in our community while making friends, having fun, and participating in philanthropy then the Women's Club is the place for you.

Our luncheons will continue to raise money for vetted small local 501(c)(3) charities through the sale of donation tickets and donation jars placed on the tables. In December we raised \$1,800 for the Nevada Blind Children's Foundation. Additionally, our charity committee occasionally receives requests from other organizations seeking information about the charities we have vetted. As a result, two charities we showcased during our luncheons last year - Positively Arts and Women Veterans of Nevada - each received \$5,000 in donations from the Schwab Foundation (which is not affiliated with Charles).



Women's Club ladies who lunch



Women's Club Rockettes



Women's Club ladies enjoying the view from the Fontainebleau Resort Hotel, a special event outing

We also feature great entertainment at our luncheons. In December, we had the vocal impressionist Kenton Weaver, who truly sounded like Dean Martin and Frank Sinatra.

This month, we have planned a Charities Service Day dedicated to packing women's sanitation bags for Project Marilyn.

If you are looking for a club where you can make new friends while having fun and doing meaningful work, this is the club for you. For more information, contact our club president Michele Borges at 702 675-5459 or micheleborges47@yahoo.com. Come ioin us!

WOODCHIPS

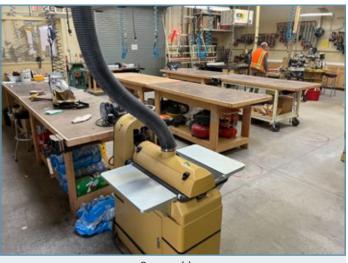


Membership

Most people in the SCA community have spouses, children, and/or grandchildren who present them with gifts throughout the year. Why

not consider a unique, custom gift that you can make yourself? The Woodchips Club offers an opportunity to do just that. A handmade gift that will forever carry special meaning for the recipient. It is special when someone can say, "my husband, or my mom, or my grandma gave this to me." Yes, you read that correctly - mom or grandma. This message is for men and women. Woodchips has over 30 female members, so anyone with an interest in woodworking, no matter the skill level, is welcome to join the club.

Working with wood using automated equipment can be intimidating to a first-time user. The number one guiding principle of the club is safety in every action and education with every piece of equipment in the shop. Before a new member can operate a piece of equipment, they are required to attend a hands-on class specific to it. These are small classes of four people, held in the shop where safety and use of the equipment are demonstrated. Each session typically lasts one hour to 90 minutes. Being hands-on, after the instructor covers the safety and education component, each student gets to practice using that piece of equipment. Completion of the class allows students to then utilize that piece of equipment during shop hours.



Our woodshop



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Woodchips annual dues is only \$40 a year which includes the use of the shop Wednesdays through Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.



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