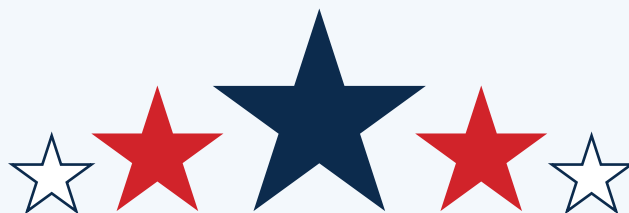


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Sun City Anthem's Strategic Planning for a Sustainable Future

Hello Residents,

Sun City Anthem has taken a significant step toward securing a prosperous and sustainable future for our community. Currently, 60 percent of large homeowners' associations rely on a strategic plan to guide their development. As an Association akin to a small city, SCA needs a definitive vision that outlines where we expect to be in five, 10, or 15 years, along with the specific steps required to attain those goals.

What began in December as exploratory discussions regarding our long-term direction has evolved into a Board-approved Strategic Planning Work Group (SPWG).

Mission of SPWG

The mission of SPWG is to bring together residents, staff, and the Board to plan for the long-term strength, enjoyment, and vibrancy of our community. The SPWG will work collaboratively to create an achievable Strategic Plan (SP) and Long-Range Plan (LRP) for capital improvements. The SP and LRP will provide a clear roadmap that will help current and future boards understand the priorities, maintain continuity, and make decisions that will ensure our community is welcoming, financially sound, and well-maintained for years to come.

Team composition and focus areas

SPWG is comprised of residents with expertise in municipal and regional strategic planning, project management, and capital project planning. This summer, the team will organize and divide into two targeted subgroups to maximize efficiency:

- **Strategic Planning Subgroup (one to five years).** This group focuses on immediate organizational priorities, operational policies, and practical initiatives to enhance daily lifestyle and community quality.

- **Long-Range Planning (10-plus years).** This group will look further ahead to forecast how facilities, amenities, infrastructure, and financial reserves must evolve over the next decade and beyond, ensuring that SCA remains attractive and financially sound.

Community engagement and next steps

As part of these organizational efforts, SPWG has compiled a schedule of upcoming meeting dates and established a dedicated strategic planning webpage to keep residents fully informed. Research on HOA strategic planning has already been conducted, and a list of comparable HOAs is being assembled to inform decisions. This research and other foundational data will be accessible to all residents on the SPWG webpage.

The work group is also constructing a comprehensive resident involvement plan that features workshops, focus groups, and surveys to gather your input. Successful strategic plans depend on broad resident engagement, and the team looks forward to hearing from you. A town hall is scheduled for September to present initial data, share early insights, and ensure resident perspectives shape both the strategic and long-range plans. Watch upcoming community communications for a save the date announcement, and plan to attend.

A collaborative future

The future of SCA is a shared responsibility. Your ideas, concerns, and aspirations are essential to building a realistic roadmap that preserves SCA as the premier active adult community in Henderson. For more than two decades, SCA has earned recognition for its exceptional amenities, beautiful common areas, engaging lifestyle, strong financial stewardship, and dedicated resident volunteers.

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BOD Meeting Summary/Upcoming Meetings

BOD Meeting Summary

The May Board meeting was held at 1:30 p.m. in the Delaware Room, via GoToMeeting Webinar, as well as in-person.

May 28, 2026 – Meeting Summary

- Approved May 28, 2026, Board Meeting Agenda
- Approved April 23, 2026, Board Meeting Minutes
- Approved May 4, 2026, Organizational Minutes
- Accepted the General Manager's Report
- Accepted Facilities Director Report
- Accepted the 2026-2027 Board Representative Assignments to Governance Committees
- Approved the 2026 Audit & Tax Engagement Letter from Frazier & Deeter
- Approved BPM Verbiage Addendum
- Accepted the unaudited Financial Report for February 2026
- Accepted the Committees & Service Committees Reports
- Approved Robb Perry to the Communications Work Group
- Appointed John Mugan as Alternate Neighborhood Representative to Clubhouse Villa
- Deferred the 2026 AEF Expenditures to the June 2026 meeting
- Accepted the Election Committee's request on replacing Secret Ballot Envelope with a secrecy sleeve
- Approved to review the Finance Committee's Orientation Manual
- Approved Silver Foxes updated charter
- Approved Billiards/Pool Club updated charter
- Approved BAI 16-05-28-2026-01 – 3.5-year contract for elevator & wheelchair maintenance
- Approved BAI 17-05-28-2026-02 – Liberty Center indoor pool dehumidifier replacement

For more Board meeting information visit scahoa.com.

Meeting Schedule

July through October 2026

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. 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.

Thursday, July 16, 2026 – Agenda Review Workshop*

9 a.m., Arlington Room

Tuesday, July 21, 2026 – Executive Session

9 a.m., Greene Room

Thursday, July 23, 2026 – Open Session

1:30 p.m., Delaware Room

Thursday, August 20, 2026 – Agenda Review Workshop*

9 a.m., Arlington Room

Tuesday, August 25, 2026 – Executive Session

9 a.m., Greene Room

Thursday, August 27, 2026 – Open Session

5:30 p.m., Delaware Room

Thursday, September 17, 2026 – Agenda Review Workshop*

9 a.m., Arlington Room

Tuesday, September 22, 2026 – Executive Session

9 a.m., Greene Room

Thursday, September 24, 2026 – Open Session

1:30 p.m., Delaware Room

Thursday, October 15, 2026 – Agenda Review Workshop*

9 a.m., Arlington Room

Tuesday, October 20, 2026 – Executive Session

9 a.m., Greene Room

Thursday, October 22, 2026 – Open Session

1:30 p.m., Delaware Room

**Workshops are open to all residents. Observation only.*

Management will keep you informed via the website, eblasts, and possibly mailers, if needed. Contact staff if you have questions.

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.

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.



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Larry Griffith, Subcommittee Chair

ARC-Committee@scacai.com

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The Architectural Review Committee (ARC) approves the homeowner modifications that are in compliance with the Design Guidelines and the Rules and Regulations (DG&RR). The Design Guidelines provide a framework and a comprehensive set of standards for home alterations and additions, and they set the criteria for the design, style, materials, colors, and location. These guidelines also list the orderly process for submitting, reviewing, and gaining the approval of proposed changes.

If you wish to make external changes to your lot, including painting, read and understand the Association governing documents, specifically the Design Guidelines. Homeowners are responsible for the final product, whether it is an addition, a casita, or a new plant in a rear yard.

Homeowners may submit a signed and dated Architectural Change Application to the Community Standards Department along with signed plans, drawings, blueprints, and any supplemental materials related to the modification project.

Review the complete Design Guidelines by visiting the ARC webpage under the Governance tab on the SCA website, scahoa.com. For questions, contact the Community Standards Department at 702-614-5820 to request a consultation with an ARC member.

Application submission

In lieu of attending ARC meetings, residents can email their applications and plans to ARC-Committee@scacai.com, send them by UPS or USPS, or drop them off at a lockbox located outside Anthem Center, Independence Center, or Liberty Center. Only one set of documents needs to be submitted. Once received, projects are reviewed at the next scheduled meeting, and the homeowner will be notified of the results.

The homeowner should be available by phone during the plan review time. If you are not available at the phone number listed on the application, submit a phone number where you can be reached during this time. An ARC member may call and request necessary clarification of the application for it to be approved.

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Committee Reports

COMMUNITY LIFESTYLE

Joan Holmstrom, Chair

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The Community Lifestyle Governance Committee (CLC) monitors and supports SCA's clubs and assists with the formation of new ones. We advise on policies, procedures, guidelines, and the use of Association facilities for clubs. We work with the clubs that sponsor many activities and events. Each club has a CLC liaison who is the first contact for a club that has concerns or questions, wishes to amend a club charter, or wants to add a new activity that must fit the mission of their charter and be approved by this committee.

Happy Fourth of July to everyone! Thank you to all club members who have volunteered to serve as election managers this fall. If you volunteered for this role but missed the meeting on June 29, contact us and we will provide the procedures for you to manage the process. This is an important way to help your club without taking on a full leadership position.

Consult scahoa.com on the club page for these documents, individual club information, and links to external club websites, email contacts, and forms. Our clubs play a vital role in our

community, showcasing the creativity and talent of members who contribute greatly to our collective experience. Have a wonderful summer!

COVENANTS

Joseph Palumbo, Chair

Purpose and procedure

The Covenants Committee meets monthly with two primary objectives: first, to fulfill the requirement for a Deed Restriction Enforcement Committee as outlined in Article 5.2 of the Bylaws, and second, to determine if violations exist concerning Section 3.26 (Bylaws) and Article 7.4 (Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions).

Violation review process

The committee reviews alleged violations of the governing rules and regulations. By examining all relevant data, the committee determines if a violation exists and whether to impose fines or sanctions. During the monthly hearings, the alleged violator has the right to appear in person or to respond in writing and present additional information. All discussions and reviews are confidential; consequently, the meetings are not open to the general public unless someone is specifically invited.

Notification and appeal

Following deliberation and a decision, the alleged violator is properly notified. This notice includes any specific fines or sanctions, if applicable. If a violation is confirmed, the violator is given time to remedy the violation and thus avoid all fines and sanctions. If the violator disagrees with the committee's decision, it can be appealed to the Board of Directors.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, email Compliance@scacai.com.

ELECTION

Anthony Ptak, Chair

ElectionCommittee@scacai.com

Next meeting: September

Vote counting occurred on May 1 during an open Association meeting in accordance with the Election and Voting Manual. Both electronic and paper ballots were tabulated during this session. Results are as follows:

- Forrest Quinn – 1,667 votes
- Michelle Sharples – 1,332 votes
- Donna Griffith – 1,192 votes
- Chris Campbell – 1,116 votes
- Barry Rubinson – 1,104 votes
- Nona Tobin – 841 votes
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Committee Reports

The top three candidates will serve as Board members.

The use of electronic voting produced outstanding results in terms of overall participation. Of the 1,020 households that opted into the electronic voting process, 830 cast ballots, reflecting an overall participation rate of 81.37%. The committee will continue to publicize and encourage the use of the electronic voting option for next year's election. If you selected that option this year, you will automatically be included in future elections.

The next meeting will be in September, pending adoption of the 2026–27 election calendar.

FINANCE

Michael Catallo, Chair

Finance.Committee@scacai.com

Next meeting Wednesday, July 15, 9 a.m., Arlington Room

Financial update

Due to the unexpected departure of experienced staff in the Accounting Department and ongoing modifications necessary to the Global Northstar system, we expect there to be some delays in receiving SCA's draft monthly financial statements. The Finance Committee (FC) has offered its expertise to Management to help

mitigate this issue so that new hires can be properly cross-trained by the existing personnel in the Accounting Department, and we hope the departures do not affect the milestones contained in the 2027 budget calendar that the Board has approved. June and July are significant months for SCA's financial activities.

Among them, we anticipate the Association's 2025 federal income tax return will be finalized and filed with the Internal Revenue Service in mid-June. Management has scheduled numerous budgetary meetings in both months with departments and service groups as well as the Villa representatives. They will also be interfacing with the newly formed Strategic Planning Work Group and the FC with respect to short- and long-term capital project planning, including financing options for projects that will be recommended for Board approval.

Management and the FC will also evaluate the 2026 and 2027 planned reserve expenditures, and they will review the detailed draft operating and reserve budgets for 2027. As part of those endeavors, various options will be examined with respect to the utilization of the Association's AEF funds. Near the end of July, Management will meet with the Board in a closed budget workshop to gather their collective input prior to the budget workshop with residents in August.

Join the Finance Committee

Two FC members' terms expire in August, with one being termed out. If the committee is unable to maintain a minimum of five members, we will not be able to conduct any activities.

If you are interested in helping to monitor the financial condition of SCA and wish to contribute to shaping our financial future, the FC would welcome the opportunity to talk to you. SCA owners with financial, budgeting, and business experience, particularly those holding a CPA designation or an MBA, are encouraged to review the membership qualifications outlined in our charter, available on the FC webpage.

If you believe you meet these criteria, complete an application form for consideration. Forms are available through the SCA website on the volunteer program webpage under the governance menu tab. Completed submissions can be dropped off in the volunteer interest mailbox at the entrance to Anthem Fitness Center or sent via email to volunteer@scacai.com.

Stay informed

Our meetings are open to the public, and we invite residents to attend and stay informed about the financial health of our community. This is the ideal time and place to ask detailed questions regarding the financial activities of SCA. We highly value homeowner questions and constructive comments, as your input provides fresh ideas and often highlights issues that need to be addressed in future meetings.

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General Manager Report

Summer Updates and Community Honors



As we navigate through the summer season, I would like to share an update on the progress made over the past few months. Thanks to the diligent efforts of numerous individuals, we successfully completed several important initiatives that further elevate our neighborhood and the experience of our residents, while one major initiative remains underway.

Recent accomplishments

- **Masterpiece Cuisine.** Agreed terms for a contract extension with Masterpiece Cuisine, ensuring continued quality service for our residents.
- **Sports courts.** Made substantial progress on the sports courts project, which remains actively in progress and is expected to be completed early this month.
- **Fitness window.** Completed the fitness window project.

- **Alexandria Drive landscape.** Finalized the Alexandria Drive landscape project.
- **DiPinto landscape.** Completed the extensive DiPinto landscape project, further enhancing the beauty of our community.

These achievements reflect the commitment, teamwork, and pride demonstrated by our staff daily. None of this would have been possible without the ongoing support, collaboration, and assistance from our committees, Board members, and work group partners. I sincerely thank everyone who contributed their time, effort, and expertise toward these vital improvements.

As part of my monthly recognition initiative, which celebrates outstanding individuals and teams making a positive impact within our Association, I am pleased to honor this month's recipient: Lisa Brenner from our Housekeeping Department.

We regularly receive positive feedback and praise regarding Lisa's quick attention, prompt action, and exceptional service to our residents, committees, and clubs. Lisa is a bright and vibrant employee who consistently wears a smile and spreads positive energy to those around her. Lisa, you are immensely appreciated. Thank you for being such a valued member of our team!

I would also like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to our entire housekeeping team. Your hard work and dedication keep our centers looking their best every single day, and we are truly grateful for all that you do.

Jessica Smukal, General Manager





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When Chemical Leaks and Hazardous Materials Require Action



In late May, approximately 50,000 people were forced to evacuate due to a potential chemical explosion near Garden City, California. A few days later, an implosion of a chemical tank at a pulp and paper mill in Longview, Washington, killed 11 workers.

The Las Vegas area is home to multiple chemical plants and facilities, and many freight and cargo trains pass through the valley or park at the rail yard when necessary.

In 1988, a fire followed by several explosions at the PEPCON chemical plant in Henderson caused two fatalities and 372 injuries. A large portion of the Las Vegas Valley within a 10-mile radius of the plant was affected, and several agencies activated disaster plans.

Incidents related to chemicals and hazardous materials can develop quickly, and by definition, they require a rapid response. A simple natural gas leak can create a similar emergency. Depending on the situation, local authorities may instruct residents to either shelter in place or evacuate immediately. Here are some basic recommendations for either scenario:

For sheltering in place

- Prepare an emergency kit to survive a minimum of three to five days.

- Turn off all furnaces, air conditioners, fans, and heaters to minimize indoor air flow. Gather in an interior room without windows to make sealing the space easier. Keep duct tape and plastic sheeting on hand to seal around windows and doors.
- Secure a battery- or solar-operated radio to get reliable updates if power and internet access become unavailable.

For evacuation

- Pack a grab-and-go bag for each person containing essential items such as medications, glasses, water, snacks, a change of clothes, N95 masks, hand sanitizer, cash, and important documents.
- Learn how to operate your garage door manually without power and avoid using electric garage door openers during a natural gas leak to prevent dangerous sparks.
- Carry printed maps of the area in case main roads close and require alternative routes.

We are republishing the evacuation drill from March in case you missed it.

Visit our website at scaepsg.org for more information.



EVACUATION DRILL

- ☐ Find a slow day on the calendar and continue with daily activities.
- ☐ Set an alarm for a convenient time and practice leaving the house within five to 10 minutes, equipped with necessary supplies that can last a few days in a shelter.
- ☐ Do you have a grab-and-go bag containing necessary personal items and medications?
- ☐ Did you take identification and important contact information?
- ☐ Are there any personal or sentimental items of value that you're concerned about?
- ☐ Did you remember to secure your house before leaving?
- ☐ What took the most time? How can you improve the process?
- ☐ Repeat in a week at a different time of day or use another exit. Pretend you have no power or cell phone service—consider how to operate your garage door and have printed maps ready in case you need to take an alternate route.

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Community Standards



Celebrate Safely: Fireworks and the Fourth of July

As we prepare to celebrate Independence Day, our community looks forward to a festive, meaningful holiday filled with family, friends, and patriotic pride. This year's celebration carries even greater significance as the country approaches the landmark 250th anniversary of Independence Day, a momentous occasion already inspiring large-scale events, commemorations, and gatherings across the United States.

From coast-to-coast fireworks displays to historical reenactments and national tributes, this once-in-a-generation milestone will highlight the nation's history, culture, and enduring spirit. We all expect this year's Fourth of July to be especially memorable.

We encourage everyone to enjoy the holiday responsibly, respect Association guidelines, and look out for one another. Whether you are attending a professional fireworks show or celebrating at home, let's work together to keep our neighborhood safe and festive.

Fireworks rules in the community

To ensure a safe and enjoyable holiday for everyone, keep the following guidelines in mind:

- Fireworks are not permitted in Association Common Areas.
- Residents who choose to set off fireworks on their own property must use only legal fireworks permitted by the City of Henderson and Clark County.
- Illegal fireworks are strictly prohibited year-round in Clark County. These include firecrackers, Roman candles, skyrocketers, and any items made of highly combustible materials.

Did you know?

Fireworks have been dazzling audiences for over 2,000 years, originating in ancient China. The vibrant colors we see today come from different metal compounds: strontium produces red, copper produces blue, and sodium produces yellow. What began as a way to ward off evil spirits has evolved into a global symbol of celebration.

Wishing you a happy and safe Fourth of July!

Desi Rafailova, Community Standards Manager

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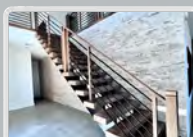
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How Can We Help You?

Residents can request CSG'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 CSG's Assistance Line and ensure availability for CSG to leave messages on your voicemail.**

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 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, limited to 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.
- CSG's **Transportation team** provides rides locally to healthcare appointments, pharmacies, groceries and the three SCA activity centers. Transportation boundaries have changed to address evolving medical facilities to the West, and diminished resident needs in the Northeast. The Transportation team needs volunteer drivers to take residents to qualified destinations. Please consider joining this dynamic and wonderful team that helps our non-driving seniors thrive here in SCA!
- **Support Groups** provide residents and their families and friends with a forum to share individual experiences, concerns, challenges, and successes. Check the SCA website 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 directory of a variety of fee-based service vendors and their contact information. CSG does not recommend or endorse any business, person, or service.

Donations

All services provided by the Community Service Group are free of charge. Donations are greatly appreciated and benefit CSG 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 "CSG" and deposit them into the CSG mailbox at the Anthem Fitness Center or mail them to: SCA Community Service Group, 2450 Hampton Road, Henderson, NV 89052.



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Caregivers Support (includes Alzheimer's information)

First Wednesday, 10 a.m. to noon
Penn Room, Independence Center

Reminders

- Ensure availability for CSG to leave a message on your answering machine. After three attempts, your request will be canceled.
- Copies of CSG's brochure can be viewed on CSG's webpage, as well as available in the SCA community centers.

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Chief Chat



Chief Randy Buck

Walk this way. Now that I have put that Aerosmith song in your head, let's talk about walking in our villages. As the weather heats up, some residents prefer to walk either in the early morning or late evening when daylight is limited. Many people walk on the asphalt street instead of the concrete sidewalk. I never understood this choice until a friend explained that asphalt is much easier on the knees than concrete.

While that makes sense, safety must come first. If you choose to walk on the street, especially after dark, ensure you are highly visible. After dark, I occasionally see a couple wearing dark clothes without reflectors walking on the street in my village, traveling with the flow of traffic. This is extremely dangerous. Purchase a budget-friendly reflective vest from Amazon (available for under \$10), carry a flashlight, or wear lighted walking shoes. Most importantly, always walk against the flow of traffic when you are on the street so you can see oncoming vehicles.

Because summer temperatures in southern Nevada remain high even overnight, always bring water with you. A walking stick can also be helpful when navigating our community hills. We want you to stay fit, but we also want you around for many years to come!

Members of the Month



Our members of the month are Pat Monsees and Gene Freeze, who serve as one of our dedicated house check teams.

Pat Monsees is a farm girl from Missouri. She moved to SCA in July 2011 to be near family following the passing of her husband of 40 years. Pat has devoted her life to customer service, and she loves helping people.

Pat joined Community Patrol in October 2011 at the urging of Gene Freeze, whom she met while walking in Mountain View where they both reside. The two have been partners ever since. Pat has served numerous roles with the Patrol and considers the organization family. Her favorite responsibility is vacation house checks, which she performs four days a week. She feels this is a wonderful free service for the community and a great example of customer service.

Gene is originally from Iowa. He lived in Nebraska and Colorado before settling in SCA in 2000. He joined the Patrol in 2009 and has held many leadership positions, including two terms as chief. He currently serves as a driver for a house check team. He is also very active in the Neighborhood Watch program, serving as the facilitator for his village of Mountain View. His interests include bowling, reading, and crafting signs from old automobile license plates. He believes in giving back to the community by volunteering with Community Patrol. The Patrol provides a sense of pride as members work together to ensure SCA remains a safe place to call home.

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SCA Neighborhood Watch Hosts Community Events

The SCA Neighborhood Watch Program recently hosted two highly successful community events that brought residents together for both safety education and neighborhood connection, reinforcing the strong sense of community that makes SCA such a special place to live.

The NWP Spring Safety Event held on Thursday, May 14, was an outstanding success, drawing more than 300 residents to the Grand Ballroom for an informative and engaging evening focused on public safety and crime prevention. Henderson Police Chief Reggie Rader served as the featured speaker, and he spoke about current public safety priorities, community partnerships, and the important role residents play in helping to keep neighborhoods safe. He was joined by Captain Kenneth Youngblood, head of the HPD West Patrol District, and Officer Alex Alcantara, our Neighborhood Watch liaison officer, who provided valuable information and answered resident questions.

Some of the highlights of the morning were the live demonstrations by the Henderson Police Department SWAT, Motor, and K-9 Units, which were both informative and entertaining for attendees. Residents especially appreciated the opportunity to interact directly with officers during an extended Q&A session that covered topics such as traffic enforcement, red-light violations, speeding concerns, and reckless e-bike riders within the community. The event concluded with three lucky SCA residents receiving \$100 door prizes.

For residents who were unable to attend, or for those who would like to revisit the information presented, two videos of the event are available. One video contains the complete



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Spring Safety Event presentation, while the second video provides a shorter summary highlighting the key topics and discussions from the evening. These recordings provide an excellent opportunity for neighbors to stay informed about important safety issues affecting the community. Scan the QR codes for access to the videos.

Earlier in the month, on Wednesday, May 6, the Neighborhood Watch Program hosted a Sip & Socialize Event designed to welcome new SCA residents and help neighbors get to know one another. Nearly 70 residents attended the event, enjoying refreshments, conversation, and the opportunity to build new friendships in a relaxed and welcoming atmosphere. Many attendees shared stories about moving to SCA, exchanged phone numbers, and made plans to stay connected.

Events like these are an important reminder that strong communities are built not only through safety awareness, but also through meaningful relationships between neighbors. Special thanks go to NWP volunteers for helping with such successful and welcoming gatherings! Together, these two events demonstrated the true spirit of SCA — neighbors coming together to support one another, strengthen community ties, and help make our neighborhood a safer and friendlier place for everyone.

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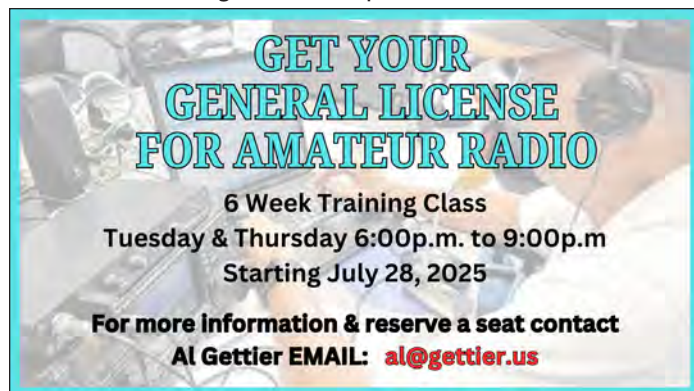
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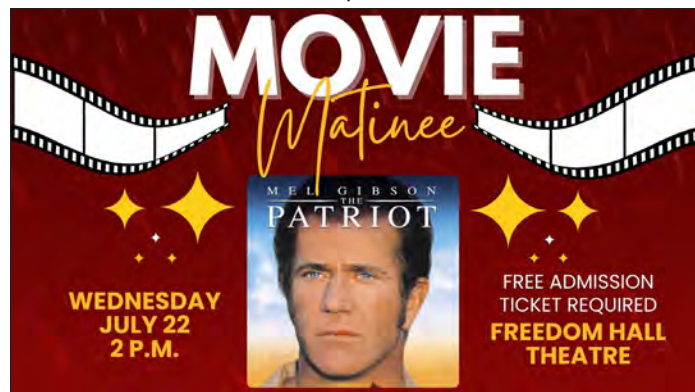
Join us for a special evening under the stars this Fourth of July on the North Lawn. Bring a picnic, a few chairs, and your favorite people for a relaxed and festive night. As the evening winds down, enjoy a great view of the Las Vegas Strip fireworks—always a highlight of the celebration. We hope to see you there!

Movie Matinee ... *The Patriot*

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Wednesday, July 29
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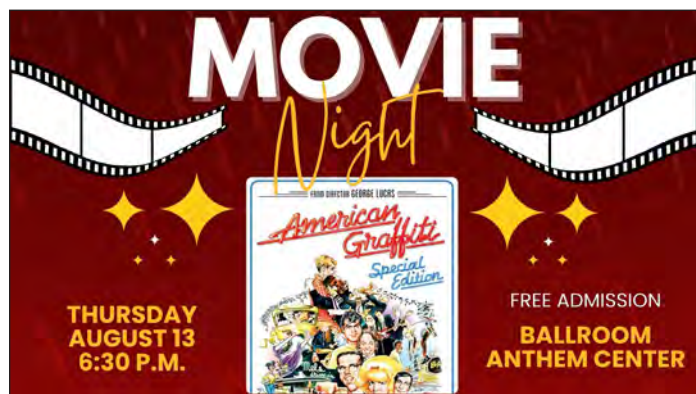
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Movie Night ... American Graffiti

Thursday, August 13, 6:30 p.m.

Anthem Center Ballroom

Free Resident Event

A red poster with a film strip border. In the center is a DVD cover for 'American Graffiti Special Edition'. The text 'MOVIE Night' is written in large, stylized letters at the top.

MOVIE Night

THURSDAY AUGUST 13 6:30 P.M.

FREE ADMISSION

BALLROOM ANTHEM CENTER

American Graffiti, directed by George Lucas and produced by Francis Ford Coppola, is a classic coming-of-age film set in the 1960s. It stars Ron Howard, Richard Dreyfuss, Harrison Ford, Cindy Williams, Mackenzie Phillips, and Suzanne Somers. The film follows a group of teenagers during their last summer night before college, featuring a nostalgic soundtrack with songs by Buddy Holly, Chuck Berry, and others. Nominated for five Academy Awards, including Best Picture and Best Director, it also includes the iconic voice of Wolfman Jack.

Rated PG: Substance use, sexual content, and mild profanity.
Runtime: 1 hour and 53 minutes.

*Friendship also seems to be the bond
that hold communities together.*
~Aristotle

African American Heritage Club Presents ...

Pancake Breakfast & Bingo

Monday, August 31, 9 to 11:30 a.m.

Independence Center

Tickets \$20

A yellow poster with a red border. It features images of stacks of pancakes and bingo cards. The text 'PANCAKE BREAKFAST & BINGO' is prominently displayed.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST & BINGO

Monday, August 31st
9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

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Show tickets may be purchased online at scahoa.com or 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 Thursday at 8 a.m. for both online and in-office purchases, unless otherwise noted. Refunds are given two weeks prior to a show, unless otherwise noted. Valid show ticket must be presented to enter venue. No refunds are given after that time. Freedom Hall is in Independence Center at 2460 Hampton Road. For additional information, call **702-614-5822**.

Shows

Sun City Anthem Presents ...

The Mark OToole Variety Show

Wednesday, July 1, 3 p.m.

Wednesday, July 15, 3 p.m.

Freedom Hall, Independence Center

Tickets \$23



The Mark OToole Variety Show is held at Freedom Hall on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 3 p.m. Hosted by Mark OToole, this live performance features an array of top local talent alongside performers from the Las Vegas Strip, presenting acts that include singing, comedy, and more. Mark, who boasts a distinguished 30-year career, gained recognition from his 1994 appearance on Star Search and has graced renowned venues such as the Smith Center.

Mistinguett Productions Presents ...

EAGLES Tribute ...

Performed by The Albumpalooza Band

Friday, July 10, 3 & 7 p.m.

Freedom Hall, Independence Center

Tickets \$35 residents, \$40 non-residents



Experience an extraordinary Eagles tribute with The Albumpalooza Band, renowned for recreating *Their Greatest Hits* (1971-1975) note for note. The band performs iconic songs like *Lyn' Eyes* and *Take It Easy*, followed by favorites from the broader Eagles catalog, including *Hotel California* and *Life in the Fast Lane*.

This year, a special tribute to Linda Ronstadt features selected songs performed by a guest singer. After selling out in under three weeks last time, this is a must-see event for fans of the legendary rock group.

Sun City Anthem Presents ...

Travis Cloer ... Jukebox Hero

Saturday, July 18, 7 p.m.

Freedom Hall, Independence Center

Tickets \$35 residents, \$40 non-residents



Broadway and Las Vegas star Travis Cloer—best known as the longest-running Frankie Valli in the Tony Award-winning *Jersey Boys*—takes center stage in his electrifying new show, *Jukebox Hero*.

Featuring chart-topping hits from Bruno Mars, the Bee Gees, Justin Timberlake, and Frankie Valli, this high-energy production combines powerhouse vocals, fresh arrangements, and a live band. More than a concert, *Jukebox Hero* is a feel-good celebration of the songs you love, delivered with Broadway polish and Vegas flair.



Shows

Dirk K. Superstar Tributes Production Presents ...

A Tribute to The Rat Pack ...

Live & Swingin'

Friday, July 24, 7 p.m.

Freedom Hall, Independence Center

Tickets \$35 residents, \$40 non-residents



The Rat Pack: Live & Swingin' recreates the legendary performances of Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, and Sammy Davis Jr. with remarkable authenticity. From the smooth vocals and classic style to the sharp comedy and onstage antics, the cast looks, sounds, and acts just like the real icons.

Audiences are drawn in, truly believing they are witnessing Frank, Dean, and Sammy live on stage once more. The performers go beyond impersonation, portraying these legends with genuine admiration and respect. Featuring timeless hits like *Luck Be a Lady*, *That's Amore*, and *Mr. Bojangles*, this show is a must-see celebration of swing-era entertainment.

Mistinguett Productions Presents ...

The Rendezvous starring Ruby Lewis ...

Rock Star/Pop Star

Monday, July 27, 7 p.m.

Delaware Lounge, Anthem Center

Tickets \$25 residents, \$30 non-residents



Rock Star/Pop Star, starring Ruby Lewis, is a high-energy musical journey through the songs and styles that defined generations. From the raw power of rock legends to the irresistible sparkle

of pop icons, this dynamic solo show brings audiences face-to-face with the music they love—reimagined through the electrifying transformations of one performer.

Blending powerhouse vocals, playful storytelling, and unforgettable hits, *Rock Star/Pop Star* is a celebration of the many sides of being a star and the music that brings people together. The production features hits from favorite artists across decades, including Tina Turner, Stevie Nicks, Annie Lennox, Bonnie Raitt, Pat Benatar, Madonna, Adele, Kelly Clarkson, and Lady Gaga.

TAD Management Presents ...

K-Tel All Stars

Friday, July 31, 7 p.m.

Anthem Center Ballroom

Free Resident Event



Step back in time to the ultimate era of music, the 70s, with this electrifying and immersive multimedia production. Featuring vintage video clips and a dynamic stage show, the performance captures the essence of the decade like never before. From disco beats to classic rock anthems, the setlist provides a nostalgic journey through number-one hits, one-hit wonders, and other unforgettable gems that defined the era.

Freedom Hall Seating Chart

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Shows

Mistinguett Productions Presents ...

THE WINDJAMMERS

Friday, August 7, 4 & 7 p.m.

Freedom Hall, Independence Center

Tickets \$35 residents, \$40 non-residents



Get ready for a groovy ride with The Windjammers, a six-piece band that plays the best of soft rock from the late 70s and early 80s. Each member is a musical maestro in their own right, but when they come together, they create something truly special. The music is known as yacht rock or soft rock, but we just call it great music. It features catchy lyrics, harmonious vocals, and infectious grooves that will get you tapping your toes. Led by Jerry Lopez, the band has taken classic rock songs like *Africa* by Toto, *Ride Like the Wind* by Christopher Cross, *Reelin' in the Years* by Steely Dan, and *Love Will Find a Way* by Pablo Cruise and turned them into something even more epic. Don't miss out on this amazing show. Tickets are selling out fast, so grab yours early.

Elvis, and maybe even a little Sonny and Cher. For one night only, Vegas Country is live at Freedom Hall.

Mistinguett Productions Presents ...

Comedy Tonight starring Headliner Derek Richards

Monday, August 17, 7 p.m.

Delaware Lounge, Anthem Center

Tickets \$25 residents, \$30 non-residents



Comedy Tonight returns to Delaware Lounge by popular demand. Get ready to bring laughter back to Anthem. Kathleen Dunbar and Mistinguett Productions are now bringing the best headliners in Vegas to Delaware Lounge. 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 the evening with three talented comedians can create laughter where you least expect to find it.

Sun City Anthem Presents ...

Chase Brown LIVE!

Saturday, August 15, 7 p.m.

Freedom Hall, Independence Center

Tickets \$35 residents, \$40 non-residents



Join Chase and his All-Star Band for a night of rockin' country you won't want to miss. Come hear the stories and songs that keep this Vegas cowboy climbing the ladder of success. The group performs the greatest country hits from Tim McGraw to



Shows

Sun City Anthem Presents ...

Erik Dongil ... Rocking Sun City Anthem

Friday, August 21, 7 p.m.
Ballroom, Anthem Center
Free Resident Event



Get ready for a rip-roaring, foot-stomping journey through the golden age of American music. Erik Dongil and his band deliver a high-energy musical celebration of American roots music at its finest, channeling raw and infectious rhythms into a performance you can't miss. This spectacular tribute show blends original musicianship with a full-throttle remix of classic and contemporary vibes. With hits like *Caldonia*, *Lucille*, *Rocket 88*, and *Route 66*, Erik channels the raw energy and infectious rhythms that defined a generation. Come join the party!

Mistinguett Productions Presents ...

Showtime at the Delaware ...

Jordan Lee starring in Whitney ...

The Voice, The Legend, The Tribute!

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



Experience the unforgettable music of Whitney Houston in *The Whitney Legacy Live* by Jordan Lee, a tribute concert celebrating her legendary career. The show features emotional ballads, uplifting anthems, and beloved favorites, honoring her artistry and legacy. Special guest performers add surprises, creating a unique celebration filled with love and entertainment. Whether you are a longtime fan or new to her music, this powerful live experience is unforgettable.

Performing Arts Club Presents ...

The Last Ride ... Classic Rock n' Roll

Wednesday, August 26, 7 p.m.
Delaware Room, Anthem Center
Tickets \$10



Join SCA's Last Ride Band for an electrifying tribute to classic rock and roll spanning the decades, followed by a night of dancing. The band will perform beloved hits from iconic artists such as the Eagles, Rolling Stones, Beatles, CCR, Elvis Presley, Eric Clapton, Wilson Pickett, BTO, The Ventures, and many more. A cash bar will be available for your enjoyment.



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Night



FREE ADMISSION

Hydration for Health



As we age, it can become more challenging to stay hydrated, as we often don't feel as thirsty as we once did. If you've experienced increased fatigue, lightheadedness, headaches, constipation, or muscle cramps, especially during hot weather, hydration and electrolytes might be key to your well-being.

Hydration extends beyond merely "drinking more water." It involves maintaining a healthy balance of fluids and electrolytes, which are crucial for optimal muscle and nerve function. The primary electrolytes, including sodium, potassium, and magnesium, aid in regulating fluid balance and supporting normal bodily functions.

Hydration tips

- **Sip water consistently throughout the day.** Begin your morning with a glass of water by keeping it on your bedside table. Even small sips accumulate, so don't wait until you feel thirsty.
- **Utilize simple "check-ins."** Aim for pale-yellow urine and try to have a drink with every meal and during breaks between meals.

- **Add flavor or incorporate water-rich foods.** Enhance your water with lemon or berries, enjoy decaffeinated herbal tea, or consume juicy fruits and vegetables like melon or cucumber.
- **Use gentle electrolyte drinks when necessary.** After heavy sweating, vomiting, diarrhea, or particularly active days, an electrolyte-enhanced drink can replenish lost salts. Coconut water and low-sodium vegetable juice are excellent choices.
- **Read labels and consult your doctor.** Some sports or electrolyte drinks can be high in sodium or sugar, and excessive sodium or potassium may not be suitable for certain health conditions or medications. When in doubt, choose plain water.



Dillon Martin, RDN

A Registered Dietitian can help you make informed decisions regarding nutrition and supplementation. Contact me at 702-723-8618 to schedule a personalized consultation.

We also host monthly nutrition classes. Our next session, "Hydration and Beyond," will be held on Saturday, July 18, at 3 p.m. in the Greene Room. Registration is available through the SCA website at scahoa.com, and the cost is \$15.

Resident Business Owners Invitation: Partner with SCA for the Fall Fitness Fair



Calling all resident business owners and wellness professionals. As preparations begin for the Fall Fitness Fair, SCA wants to ensure resident-owned businesses are a cornerstone of the event. Some of the best wellness experts live right here in the community, and we want to showcase you.

To support our local entrepreneurs, SCA is offering a limited number of community partner spots **free of charge**. We are seeking participants in:

- Nutrition and healthy aging.
- Holistic health and mindfulness.

- Preventative wellness and lifestyle innovation.

Space is limited to provide maximum impact for each collaborating partner.

- **Save the date:** Thursday, October 29, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- **Application deadline:** August 31.

Scan the QR code to apply.



Benefits of Aqua Stretch

Aqua Stretch is a personalized, one-on-one water therapy session designed to improve flexibility, mobility, and overall movement while minimizing stress on joints. Performed in warm water, these sessions use the natural buoyancy and resistance of the pool to support gentle stretching and relaxation in a comfortable environment.

Warm water helps relax muscles, improve circulation, and reduce stiffness, so Aqua Stretch is especially beneficial for those with arthritis, joint discomfort, limited mobility, or recovery needs. Sessions can help increase range of motion, improve posture and balance, reduce muscle tension, and support easier everyday movement.

Aqua Stretch also promotes relaxation and stress relief, and it helps participants feel more confident and comfortable in their bodies. Each session is tailored to individual needs and wellness goals.

Personal training rates apply.

Aqua Stretch instructors

Bonnie M. (bonnie.bim13@icloud.com)

Petra P. (petrapierrot@yahoo.com)

Faces of Fitness: Meet Your Monitor Judy R.



Q: What is your hometown?

A: Long Beach, CA.

Q: What is your favorite food?

A: Mexican food.

Q: Do you have a hidden talent, hobby, or surprising fact most people don't know about you?

A: I went skydiving for my 30th birthday and loved every minute of it!

Q: How long have you been a monitor, and what do you enjoy most about being a monitor?

A: I've been a monitor for seven months. I love working with such a nice group of people, and the views from Anthem are gorgeous.

Q: If you could give residents one fun tip to stay active, what would it be?

A: Find a friend who enjoys the same physical activity and do it together. Working out with friends feels more like a social gathering than exercise.

Be sure to greet Judy next time you see her in Anthem Center.

Moving a Little and Living a Lot

What an incredible turnout for the 33rd annual National Senior Health & Fitness Day! It was wonderful seeing so many residents moving and celebrating wellness together under this year's inspiring theme, "Move a Little... Live a Lot!"

A huge thank you goes out to everyone who joined the festivities and participated in the activities. Your energy and enthusiasm made this day a phenomenal success. We also extend a very special thank you to our dedicated club volunteers for organizing and facilitating the beautiful stroll through one of our scenic walking trails.

Our community fitness instructors and staff were thrilled to see such a strong commitment to health and vitality. Keep moving a little and living a lot daily!

Lucky prize winners included Carolyn Klein, Rhonda Martin, Judy Weiss, Jackie Baker, Janet Wood, Judy Nell, Gloria Byrd, Mark Hamilton, Andrea Engleberg, Heather Simpkins, and Bev Fales.



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AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE



The African American Heritage Club extends a heartfelt thank you to everyone who attended *La Nuit en Blanc* (A Night in White celebration), our annual White Party celebration on May 16. What a beautiful and memorable evening it was!

This year's event achieved remarkable success, filled with delicious food, wonderful conversations, elegant attire, and joyful fellowship. The music was outstanding, and our DJ was truly "off the chain," keeping the energy high and the dance floor alive. Our theme celebrated Black Excellence in Paris, and it honored African American artists, writers, entertainers, and creatives who found inspiration, freedom, and recognition in the city. From the unforgettable legacy of Josephine Baker to other Black writers and visionaries, the evening reflected the heart of our mission: to preserve, promote, and celebrate African American heritage.

Some of our members also enjoyed a wonderful Kentucky Derby gathering at the home of Vivian Curtis in May. It was a grand occasion filled with beautiful fascinators and hats, games, food, and warm fellowship. We thank Vivian for opening her home and creating such a delightful experience.



In addition, several of our AAHC ladies joined with the Just Us Ladies Social Club and traveled to Hurricane, Utah, for an overnight visit to Zion Canyon Hot Springs. Surrounded by warm mineral waters ranging from 80 to 104 degrees, we enjoyed deep relaxation and the soothing benefits of infused therapeutic minerals. With 31 different mineral pools to experience, it was a meaningful time of connection, renewal, and well-deserved rest.

Our third annual Picnic in the Park was a joyful afternoon spent under the trees of Reunion Park, where members enjoyed games of cornhole, horseshoes, storytelling, laughter, and meaningful conversation. It was a simple, relaxing day of fellowship, friendship, and fun in the sun.

Now, mark your calendars! Our second annual Pancake Breakfast is on Monday, August 31. Many of you have been asking, "When is the next one?" Join us for all-you-can-eat pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, and hot steaming coffee. This event supports our scholarship initiatives, helping us invest in students who are continuing their education and building their futures.

Finally, look for details about our September 26 event. We are doing something a little different this year that we think you will enjoy. You will want to get your tickets early, so you don't miss out. Tickets go on sale in late July, so keep your eyes and ears open for more information!

We warmly welcome everyone in SCA to join AAHC. Look for the membership envelope at the kiosk, or drop your name, SCA number, and \$20 annual dues in the AAHC mailbox. Someone from the club will be in contact with you.



AMATEUR RADIO



into parks and attempt to make contacts with distant stations.

While POTA is enjoyable in its own right, it also has real-world relevance for emergency communications. The program emphasizes portable operations from public lands, and it helps operators develop practical skills such as working without grid power, operating in remote locations, and making contacts under challenging conditions. It is an excellent way to test equipment and techniques that could prove valuable during actual emergencies.

Our Technician License class is well underway. By the time you read this, the course may have concluded, resulting in several new SCA amateur radio operators. Our classes for the General License and the Extra License will begin soon.

Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month at 10 a.m. in the Greene Room. Visit our website at anthemhams.com or

For our May meeting, Nevada American Radio Relay League (ARRL) Section Manager Craig McVeay (N0CSM) returned to present on Parks on the Air (POTA). POTA is a popular amateur radio activity in which operators take portable equipment, including radios, batteries, and antennas,

contact Al Gettier at al@gettier.us for more information. We have no dues, and all are welcome. To join our email list, send your name and email address to Al Gettier.

ANTHEM AUTHORS



Of all the works written about living in America, none has had more meaning or had a greater impact than one published 249 years ago this month. It was penned by a tall, thin man from northern Virginia with a love for the written word, so much so that he would write 19,000 letters during his life.

Still, nothing he would ever write would go down in history as this one document. Only 33 years of age that year, he sometimes wondered why he was chosen to be the author.

It was a painstaking task. There were ultimately 86 changes made to the document before it was released both here and internationally. Many of the changes were the work of two figures known up and down the Atlantic coast, from Massachusetts to Georgia. One man was a prominent Boston attorney, while the other was an internationally celebrated Philadelphia statesman, who had recently returned from Europe.

The young writer's name was, of course, Thomas Jefferson, who wrote of self-evident truth and unalienable rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. His words indicted — in public forums in Boston, New York and Philadelphia — a king who refused to grant American colonists the equality they demanded as subjects of the British Crown.

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What followed was the successful eight-year-long prosecution of the American Revolution, a bloody war that lasted seven years, turning neighbor against neighbor.

On this Fourth of July, the date that marks the birth of the United States of America, the Anthem Authors proudly salute the writing inked into the very soul of our country, the Declaration of Independence.

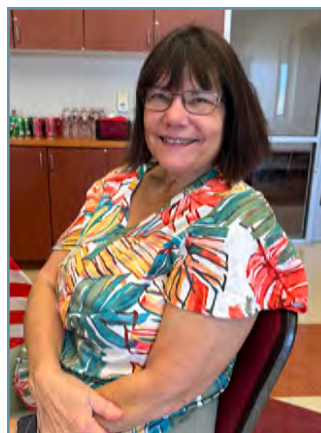
AQUACIZE



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



Aquacize first potluck a huge success



Sandy, new member

On Wednesday, July 15 at 11:30 a.m., we will have our luncheon at BJ's Restaurant & Brewhouse. Look for additional details in the club president's email, arriving in your inbox around the first of the month. We will be celebrating the birthdays of Becky Miller, Cheryl Eitner, Cindi Mitchell, Joan Bigg, and Sheila McPherson.

If you have any questions about the luncheon, or are not receiving emails from the club, contact

Secretary Mary Kolesar at 603-767-0509 or t_kolesar@yahoo.com.

Anyone who enjoys water aerobics is invited to join our club. New membership dues are \$20. For a membership form, check the kiosk by the Activities office or contact Mary Kolesar.

You do not need to be a member of the club to attend aquacize classes. Visit the SCA website to find information about current aquacize classes and instructors, along with details on making required reservations. You can also check the class schedule on the Relay fitness calendar.

ARTS AND CRAFTS

Arts and Crafts Club

CROP-a-palooza!

The Scrapbooking & More group gathers annually to celebrate paper crafting with the CROP. This year's CROP-a-palooza expanded from the Arts & Crafts Room into the combined Morris/Nelson/Penn Rooms to accommodate the 27 individual tables needed. Each participant was able to set up a workspace for the duration of the event so they could leave equipment arranged and work in progress. They used the three days to develop their personal projects, including scrapbooks, greeting cards, quilling, stamping, and die cutting, but they also engaged in group activities and shared their expertise with one another.



Happy May birthday to Natalie and Gail



The dedicated members of Scrapbooking & More at CROP-a-palooza



Rustic wooden pumpkins will be the evening EZ Make & Take project in September

A continental breakfast kicked off the event on Saturday, a communal luncheon catered by Jason's Deli kept everyone going on Sunday, and on Monday a dinner at Tuscan Grill celebrated three days of paper crafting, community, and laughter. Crafters received a passport to fill with stickers earned by participating in various activities. Each day also brought opportunities to win a prize for things like the best table name, and random drawings were held for wine, light boards, glass mats, and beautifully embroidered hand towels. Members explored the art of stenciling by creating bookmarks and a greeting card in Make & Take sessions.

Other fun events included a bingo game where players had to find the person matching the fact, like who walked the Great Wall of China and who owns 21 pairs of scissors, and a photo frame and props for memorable pictures with friends. For the treasure swap, attendees donate new or gently used materials, tools, or equipment they no longer need and search for something new to try. Scrapbooking & More invited the other Arts & Crafts Club cardmaking groups to browse along with them. Redistribution of supplies is a great way to enhance everyone's designs with different items and allow for new perspectives.

The CROP is a great example of the camaraderie and fellowship we can experience by being a part of a shared interest group. Loneliness is becoming an epidemic, but our community has the cure! The Arts & Crafts Club has 16 groups to appeal to artisans of all skill levels and inclinations, and there are many other opportunities for crafting or whatever appeals to you. Join your neighbors in the clubs and service committees to take advantage of all SCA has to offer, make new friends, and find fulfilling avocations.

Another evening EZ Make & Take session featuring rustic wooden pumpkins will be offered on September 30 from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Arts & Crafts Room, Independence Center. Club members can join the EZ Make & Take group and sign up on the website. Stop by the Arts & Crafts Room for more information.

BALLROOM DANCE



Early summer cruise

Members of the club enjoyed an early summer cruise aboard the luxury Cunard Queen Elizabeth, embarking from Miami for a memorable Panama Canal cruise. The ship's expansive ballroom, complete with a live eight-piece band performing classic ballroom dance music, became one of the highlights of the cruise.

Following the first port call in Cartagena, Colombia, where members sampled tropical fruits and admired the city's renowned emeralds, the ship proceeded to Colón, Panama. There, the members experienced the remarkable transit through the Panama Canal under ideal weather conditions, gaining a deeper appreciation of the magic of the canal. A naturalist on board provided insightful commentary on the construction of the canal and its capacity to accommodate big tankers.

The first US port on the itinerary was San Diego, the maiden American port for Queen Elizabeth. While visiting the vibrant California destination, members explored the historic Old Town district and enjoyed a delightful seafood lunch that included an exceptional lobster roll. The cruise concluded in Seattle, where participants spent their final day at the city's iconic seafood market, Pike Place Market.

The next dance cruise, set in the Caribbean aboard the Queen Elizabeth, will take place in November. All members are warmly welcome to sign up.

JJ and Dita are back

Fresh from their voyage through Spain and Paris in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary and a visit with relatives in Virginia, JJ and Dita Basanes returned and are ready to resume teaching Latin dances this July. Happy anniversary, JJ and Dita. May you have many more years of marital bliss!

Celebrate freedom and dance the afternoon away

As the nation celebrates its Independence Day on July 4, we pause to reflect on its significance. Briefly, July 4 is significant not only



Happy Mother's Day to the great moms and their supportive partners (photo credit Angela Schwinning)



JJ and Dita Basanes celebrating 50 years of togetherness in Barcelona (photo credit JJ Basanes)

because it marks the birth of the United States, but because it renews the nation's commitment to the ideals of freedom, national unity, and self-government.

We join the nation in celebrating independence not with fireworks displays, parades, and concerts, but with a social dance on Sunday, July 5 from 2 to 5 p.m. in the Delaware Room. Your presence will make the occasion more meaningful, as we also celebrate

250 years of our cherished freedom. Invite your friends for just \$10 per person, and let's celebrate. Wear your best patriotic colors and bring light snacks to share on your table.

Join the club

We are thrilled to invite you to join us. Whether you are a seasoned dancer, looking to learn new moves, or simply want to learn basic social dancing skills in a welcoming environment, the Ballroom Dance Club is the place for you for only \$10 annual dues per member. Visit our website at ballroomdance.scaclub.org for more information.

Learning to walk sets you free. Learning to dance gives you the greatest freedom of all: to express with your whole self the person you are. ~ Melissa Hayden.

BID WHIST – SPADES

If you're looking for fun and friendly competition, come join us on Tuesdays from 5:30 to 8:45 p.m. and every Friday from 5 to 8:45 p.m. in the Franklin/Emerson Room. If you're a less experienced player, our seasoned bid whist players are happy to teach you!

Residents of all skill levels are invited to join our club! Annual dues are \$15.

The SCA Bid Whist Club warmly welcomes the new members who joined us at the May 9 Club Fair, and we are grateful that you chose to be a part of our club.

As America celebrates 250 years this July, here are some interesting facts about how playing cards were used to aid our military in the 20th century!

Historical facts about playing cards you most likely never knew

During World War II, the U.S. government secretly collaborated with the United States Playing Card Company. They manufactured and shipped special "map decks" to American POWs in German camps. When soaked in water, the cards would peel apart to reveal secret escape maps that guided prisoners to freedom.

Playing cards also assisted American soldiers during the Vietnam War in 1966. Two U.S. lieutenants conceived an idea to introduce psychological warfare among the People's Army of Vietnam (PAVN). The lieutenants relied on three very important factors:

- French traditions used playing cards to foretell the future.
- The Ace of Spades signified a forewarning of death.
- Superstitious beliefs were deeply integrated into the PAVN culture.

So, they decided to use this information to create a methodical scare tactic for their enemies. After contacting the United States Playing Card Company, they coordinated a shipment of thousands of crates filled exclusively with Ace of Spades cards to be sent to the war zones of Southeast Asia, and they dispersed them throughout



Tseng-Yue and Dorris Lung with Angela and John Schwinning partying at sea (photo credit: Angela Schwinning)

the jungles to frighten the Vietnamese army. They were successful in their scare tactic!

To our Bid Whist Club members who are traveling this summer to escape the southern Nevada heat, stay safe and enjoy your cool oasis.

To become a member of our club, pick up a membership envelope at the kiosk located outside the Activities office. Complete the form, include the \$15 annual membership fee, and drop it in our mailbox across from the Fitness Center reception desk. Contact Carla Rose-Pryor via email at clrp614@gmail.com for more information.

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.

A nine-ball weekly event takes place on Tuesday nights at 5 p.m. All members are welcome to join the competition.

Weekly chip tournaments will continue throughout the summer. These sessions are held on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at noon, and they are open to all players in the club. If you have any interest in this type of match play, contact Beth Weddle at 702-526-5934, or visit our website for exact dates, times, and types of play.

On Saturdays at 10 a.m., free lessons are offered, followed by social play, to women and men looking to learn how to play pool or improve their game. We have excellent instructors who will help you develop your skills, and we can also arrange for personal or private lessons.

The Billiards Room is located in Independence Center. There are seven 9-foot tables, two 7-foot tables, one carom table, and one snooker table in the room. There are cues around the space for your use, and pool balls are available at the front desk as you enter

Independence Center. The facility is open to all SCA community members.

For more information or to join, call any officer: Gordon Groff, president, at 717-278-8015; Lloyd Gagnon, vice president, at 702-279-6315; Jude Nelson, secretary, at 801-792-9614; or Beth Weddle, treasurer, at 702-526-5934. Take a look at our website, SCAPool.org, or email us at scabilliards@gmail.com.

If you have never played pool, come join us. It is a great way to beat the summer heat.

BOCCE AND CORNHOLE



One club—two activities! All Bocce and Cornhole Club events take place at the outdoor courts at Anthem Center unless noted otherwise.

Bocce

Bocce open play is every Saturday at 9 a.m., and during the months of July and August, we also have open play every Wednesday at 9 a.m.

Congratulations to our spring league winners! Monday's title went to Legion of Boom, Tuesday morning to The Big Labocce, and Tuesday afternoon to Three Guys and a Gal. Wednesday's winner was The Lefties Plus One, and Thursday's was The Knockers.

Cornhole

Cornhole open play is every Tuesday at 10 a.m. during the summer months. The time will change in the fall.

Congratulations to our spring league winners! Scott Wandro and Scott Yoder captured first place, while Andy Newmark and Jack Richards claimed second. In the Friday night league, top honors went to Steve Radovich and Jack Richards, with Cheryl and Scott Wandro finishing in second place.





annual dues are \$20 per member and include both bocce and cornhole play. The club supplies all equipment.

Visit our website for additional information. Feel free to reach out to any of our officers listed under the Contact Us tab.

BOOK

On the third Thursday of each month, the Sun City Anthem Book Club meets to discuss a book members selected to read during the year. We will meet on July 16 in the Morris/Nelson Room in Independence Center at 1 p.m.

The July selection is *The Thursday Murder Club* by Richard Osman. The story features four senior citizens with a few tricks up their sleeves, a female cop with her first big case, and a brutal murder. You have to read it to see what happens, and this promises to be a lively and fun discussion!

If you want to read ahead, here is what is coming up next:

- **August 20.** *The Secret Life of Sunflowers* by Marta Molnar. We know many things about Vincent van Gogh, but did you know how close Vincent was to his brother, Theo, or how hard Vincent's sister-in-law, Johanna, worked to make his art visible and recognized?
- **September 17.** *Things Don't Break on Their Own* by Sarah Easter Collins. This novel offers a mystery about sisters, lovers, and a dinner party gone wrong.

Bocce and cornhole

Signups for both the bocce and cornhole fall leagues will begin in August. Registration forms for both activities are available on our website, bocce.scaclub.org, or at the courts on the reader boards above the storage box.

Also, SCA residents can check out bocce and cornhole equipment in Independence Center at any time by presenting a resident I.D.

Membership and contact information

To join the club, visit the Bocce and Cornhole Club website at bocce.scaclub.org or contact Jan Stahl at jcstahl5@aol.com. Our

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To join or view club details, visit scahoa.com and navigate to the Clubs menu tab. Dues are \$10 for the year. Click the Email the Club button on our website to receive a prompt response.

Book Club members may also volunteer at the SCA library in Independence Center. This library is available to all SCA residents, and the collection includes fiction and nonfiction books, magazines, puzzles, and more. Book donations are welcome, but we accept only books published from 2016 to present.

Leadership team

Joan Fine, president; Diane Stein, vice president; Gail Askew, treasurer; Rhonda Baldwin, secretary; Janet Tiernan, library manager.

BOWLING

The Sin City Seniors are the largest mixed-gender senior bowling league in the country. In 2025, we celebrated our 25th season and were honored with a longevity award from the USBC (United States Bowling Congress) in the form of a plaque.

Since 2000, our SCA Bowling Club has grown significantly. Join us and be a part of our thriving community!

Consider this ... where else can you immediately make 240 new friends?

The SCA Bowling Club's purpose is to promote bowling for SCA residents. Our no-dues club meets once a year immediately before the start of league play to elect officers and to review club issues, if any. Club president Larry Orlov is the point of contact for club business. Other Bowling Club officers are vice president Bill Anderson and secretary/treasurer Robbi Senneke.

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

The 2025-2026 bowling season ended in May. **The 2026-2027 bowling season starts on September 3, and registration is now open. Contact Larry Orlov at 702-325-9800 or sincityseniors@gmail.com to fill an opening or to get on the wait list.**

Teams fill up very quickly; however, the league actively welcomes new SCA bowlers as vacancies regularly occur year-round.

BUNCO

If you are looking for a lively, fun-loving group of people to meet and play a dice game with—where all luck and no skill is required—then the Bunco Club is for you. All are welcome to join us for an evening of fast-paced fun, camaraderie, and plenty of laughs.

We meet every Monday evening in the multi-purpose room in Liberty Center. Check-in begins at 6 p.m., and play starts promptly at 6:25 p.m. Don't be concerned if you have never played before; the rules and scoring are straightforward, and everyone at your table will be happy to help you learn.

Membership is only \$5 per year and \$3 to play each week. For more information, contact our president, Marci Turkel, at 702-327-3377, or our secretary, Diane Thomas, at 612-581-1962. We hope to see you there!

CANASTA



Welcome to the world of canasta. Invented in Montevideo, Uruguay, canasta is one of the most popular card games in the United States. It combines luck of the draw, skill, and diverse strategies. It is a mind-stimulating, social card game in a congenial atmosphere where your competitive spirit can thrive.

American-style canasta is a partnership game played in teams of two. You will play offense and defense while giving silent signals to your partner; tables consist of four players. It does not matter whether you have never played canasta, have not played in years, or are just rusty; there is always a welcome table available.

The club meets on Sundays and Thursdays in Liberty Center from noon to approximately 4 p.m. and offers lessons on Thursdays. Club dues are \$5. We are also a social club with an end-of-the-year luncheon, monthly birthday celebrations, and other social events.

The leadership team consists of:

- President, Pam Tullous
- Vice president, Nancy Rose
- Secretary, Jolie Rubin
- Treasurer, Beverly Ginsberg

Contact Pam Tullous at scacanasta@gmail.com for more information.

CERAMICS

The Ceramics Club is proud to announce that, out of more than 200 submissions, artworks by Valerie Saenz and Joyce Chen were selected for inclusion in the main exhibition of the Celebrating Life! Juried Exhibition, sponsored by the City of Las Vegas and the Las Vegas Arts Commission. Valerie's vase, *The Road Less Traveled*, won second place in the ceramic category in 2024. This will be Joyce's first juried exhibition. We look forward to their



Karen Hutchings displays her award-winning ceramic mosaic rooster



Completed sprigs fill a tray before they go into the kiln

success! The exhibition runs from May 29 through September 10 in the Charleston Heights Arts Center Ballroom.

Another successful artist in the club is Karen Hutchings. She recently received an honorable mention for her rooster, *Farm Alarm*, in the City Lights Juried Fine Art Show, which was her first entry into a juried show. She volunteers at the City Lights Art Gallery as director of marketing and development, calling upon her years of experience in tourism marketing for casinos, corporations, governments, and nonprofits. Born in Decatur, Illinois, Karen resided in Florida, Mississippi, Wisconsin, and Las Vegas, Nevada, and again in Florida before she and her husband

returned here. Four of her grandchildren live here with her daughter, but she has four children and 10 grandchildren in all.

Karen began experimenting with purchased tiles on stepping stones to pass the time at home during the pandemic shutdowns.



Karen Hutchings with some of her favorite creations made with greenware poured by the club



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Her mother's paintings inspired her use of natural elements like flowers and birds. About a year ago, she discovered that she could make her own mosaic pieces, and she immediately joined the club. She is very active in the club, and she is already a member of the Kiln Committee. She uses press molds and shaped cutters to create small shapes from clay slabs; after they are bisque fired, she glazes the pieces in vibrant colors and fires them again for a durable, glossy finish. She works diligently almost every day to produce the many pieces needed to complete a mosaic design.

Earlier in her ceramic practice, Karen applied her sprigs to terracotta pots, but she recently started using greenware poured by the club as her vessels. By using the bisque ware, she can vary the background to enhance the applications, such as a rich black glaze intensifying bright, vivid tiles, or desert hues painting a backdrop to dimensional cacti. She does not accept commissions, but she does sell her creations in the Ceramics Club window and at both SCA Arts and Crafts Fairs. Her work can also be found at the City Lights Art Gallery and some Henderson city fairs.

If you are interested in learning more about ceramics and the club, stop by the Ceramics Room in Anthem Center. Our members are always happy to talk about the club and share their experience.

CHICAGO

Chicago trivia night is coming to Sun City Anthem

Think you know Chicago? Gather your trivia team and join us for a fun-filled evening of Windy City memories, laughter, food, and friendly competition at our exciting Chicago Trivia Night on Thursday, July 23, in Independence Center.

The fun begins at 5 p.m. and will feature authentic trivia, great prizes, delicious deep-dish pizza, and an appearance by our special guest, retired WGN Radio news anchor Roger Badesch.

Roger will take an active role in the evening by hosting the contest and presenting some of the trivia questions himself. He will also discuss his fascinating memoir, *The Unplanned Life*, sharing stories from his remarkable career, including his time working in the press office for Chicago's first female mayor, Jane Byrne.

Bring your friends, form a team, and compete to win authentic Chicago-themed prizes. Whether you are a lifelong Chicagoan or simply love the city, this promises to be one of the most entertaining evenings of the summer.

No Chicago celebration would be complete without authentic local food, so the club will serve Chicago-style deep-dish pizza, soft drinks, and water.

Admission is free for members and \$5 for non-members. For registration details and additional information, visit our website at chicago.scaclub.org.

Join us

The club always welcomes new members. Whether you are a Chicago native, a frequent visitor, or someone who simply enjoys the food, traditions, music, and energy of the city, our club offers a wonderful opportunity to meet people and enjoy great events with genuine Midwest hospitality.

Annual membership is just \$15, and it includes access to social events, themed dinner parties, and memorable evenings like Chicago Trivia Night.

Get involved

Want to do more than just attend events? We are always looking for members to help plan and organize club activities. It is one of the best ways to meet people, make new friends, and become part of what makes our club so special. If you are interested in getting involved, contact us at SCAChicagoClub@gmail.com. We would love to have you on the squad!

Gather your team together and come celebrate Chicago fun, food, trivia, and friendship with the Sun City Anthem Chicago Club!

CHINESE HERITAGE

The Chinese Heritage Club recently celebrated the Dragon Boat Festival on June 19. We were honored to host Dr. Zhida Song-James, a distinguished historian and author, who shared insights into the vital role Chinese workers played in building the transcontinental railroad and their enduring contributions to America.

We also screened the documentary *Valor and Memory*, produced by Min Zhu. This moving film explores the historical ties between the United States and China, honoring the legacy of the "Flying Tigers," "Chinese Tigers," and "Chinese American Tigers," heroes whose courage and sacrifices continue to inspire respect.

As part of our celebration of Chinese heritage, this program serves as a meaningful reminder of the shared history and mutual respect between our nations, values that remain especially important today. All attendees received a traditional lotus leaf-wrapped rice dumpling (Zongzi), which symbolizes loyalty, remembrance, and the joy of sharing.

Chinese Heritage Club offers a variety of regular activities for residents of the SCA community. Anyone can become a member for \$10 per year and participate in these activities. Before committing to membership, SCA residents can try any program for up to three classes free of charge. Visit our website for more information at chc.scaclub.org.

CHC-sponsored activities

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

- Chinese Folk Dance — Tuesdays, 4:30 to 6 p.m.; Thursdays, 8:30 to 10 a.m.; and Sundays, 3 to 4:30 p.m., Liberty Center. Contact Lina Tsao at 702-321-7373 or ltsao50@yahoo.com.
- Health Enhancement Gatherings — Mondays, 5:15 to 6:45 p.m.; Thursdays, 2:15 to 3:45 p.m.; and Fridays, 9:30 to 11 a.m., Liberty Center. Contact Ning Lin at 847-721-8358 or ninglin60067@gmail.com.
- Chinese Line Dance — Tuesdays, 8:30 to 10 a.m.; Fridays, 5:45 to 7:15 p.m.; and Sundays, 8:30 to 10 a.m. Contact Reenie Wang at 732-485-2469 or reeniewang@hotmail.com.
- Traditional Yuan Ji Exercise — Wednesdays, 7:15 to 8:45 a.m.; Fridays, 7:45 to 9:15 a.m.; and Sundays, 5 to 6 p.m. Contact Gloria Lan at 661-755-1802 or gloriacyto@yahoo.com.
- Qigong — Mondays and Saturdays, 8:15 to 9:45 a.m. Contact Jan Fu at 513-708-0347 or juianfu@gmail.com.

COMPUTER

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

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



This month, we celebrate the 250th anniversary of the formal approval of the Declaration of Independence. The meetings of the Current Events & History Club are the same celebration twice a week. We use our freedoms to discuss virtually any subject. Come to our meetings, and be free to participate in our club’s contribution to what makes our country great.

The club provides a fun way to spend a few hours twice each week. Meetings are lively, interesting, and always educational! Some of the issues we discussed recently included:

- Can the United States feed the world? And should we?
- Should we be nicer to billionaires? And should they be nicer to us?
- Did AI really advise me to do that?
- As the war with Iran continues, what has happened to us and the world?

Perhaps you have some thoughts on these issues. If so, consider joining us. Since opinions can and do vary widely, we have rules designed to encourage participation and also keep discussions on topic. These rules include a reminder that our meetings are for information and entertainment, that all opinions are encouraged and 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. This program allows club members who have particular knowledge in an area to highlight their expertise by giving a presentation.

Meetings are on Monday mornings from 10 a.m. to noon and Thursday afternoons from 2 to 4 p.m. On Mondays, we begin 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 on that day 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, which are generally announcements made about club,

personal, and association interests. Topics are then introduced, and club members may then choose to offer their opinions or listen to others. Typically, there are two to four topics presented at each meeting. A club moderator introduces the topics and manages the flow of the discussions.

If this sounds interesting, stop in Anthem Center from 10 a.m. to noon on Mondays, or 2 to 4 p.m. on Thursdays to meet friends and neighbors. You will find out what others are thinking and have the opportunity to share your opinions. If you enjoy the experience, join the club for \$15 per year. You are always welcome!

DEMOCRATIC

Every election is determined by the people who show up.
~ Larry J. Sabato.



The Sun City Anthem Democratic Club promotes informed citizenship, civic engagement, and respectful discussion about the topics shaping our community, state, and nation. Through educational programs, candidate forums, and community discussions, we encourage members to stay informed and actively involved in the democratic process. We support affordable healthcare, reproductive rights, voting rights, minority rights, and a fairer, more equitable society.

Nevada has moved through primary season, and attention has now turned to the general election on Tuesday, November 3. The months ahead will bring important conversations about local, state, and national matters that affect our daily lives, and our future

as a community. The club plans to host speakers, discuss current events, and provide opportunities for residents to learn more about candidates and public policy. Your vote is your voice, so we encourage all residents to stay informed, participate in respectful civic dialogue, and vote in the upcoming general election.

Join us at future meetings to hear candidates speak, ask questions, and connect with neighbors. We invite all who share our values to get involved. For information or to join, contact Margy Feldman at margy613@gmail.com or democratic.scaclub.org.

DUPLICATE BRIDGE

The Duplicate Bridge Club welcomes both new and experienced players to games Wednesday evenings and Saturday afternoons.

Bridge is a trick-taking card game featuring four players in competing partnerships of two. While it is challenging to learn and takes a lifetime to master, the club supports players at all levels, including novices, those returning to the game, and experts. In duplicate bridge, each table plays the same hands in rotation. Scoring compares each pair to others in the room; this differs from party bridge, where each hand is dealt and scored individually.

The club plays twice a week: Wednesdays from 5:20 to 8:30 p.m. and Saturdays from noon to 3:30 p.m. Arrange a partner ahead of time and arrive 15 to 20 minutes before the posted session start so play can begin on time. The format of play depends upon the number of pairs in attendance.

If you know how to play bridge but do not have a partner, email us with the date you wish to play and your preferred contact method.

For those looking to learn or brush up on their skills, help is available. Advanced beginners and intermediate players meet Tuesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. with Arline Rubin to discuss difficult hands, review bidding conventions, and engage in practice play. Intermediate players also review rules and strategies Friday mornings at 10 a.m. in the Anthem Center lobby. We can also arrange lessons for beginners.

The club does not award American Contract Bridge League (ACBL) points; however, we abide by ACBL rules and standards of play. We email scores and recaps to all members following each game. Yearly dues of \$10 provide a great opportunity to play in a competitive yet friendly environment. SCA residents are welcome to play twice before they are required to join.

All sessions and lessons are held in the Emerson/Franklin Room. Contact the club for additional information about lessons or to find a partner at scadupbridgeclub@yahoo.com.



FILIPINIANA



On June 7, the Filipiniana Club enjoyed the Philippine Independence Party, and all had a good time! The club will be on summer hiatus until September. Stay cool, everyone.

We have trips to Tuacahn planned for Monday, September 14, for *Les Misérables* and Tuesday, October 6, for *Grease*. Also, the Christmas party will be on Friday, December 4.

Refer to our website for information and dates on upcoming occasions and for picture galleries of past functions. The website can be navigated through the SCA website under Clubs, or you can add fc.scaclub.org to your favorites.

Membership updates

If you are new to the community or have any phone or email changes, contact Bob Gordon at benagordon@yahoo.com or 702-461-2274.

FINANCIAL



The Anthem Financial Club empowers our members to take control of their financial choices while fostering meaningful discussions on financial topics and challenges through dedicated forums.

An investment in knowledge pays the best interest.
~ Benjamin Franklin.

We will not have another general meeting until September 3.

However, our discussion groups will meet in Liberty Center.

- The Breakfast Group discusses a variety of subjects from fixed investments to insurance. Next meeting is on Wednesday, July 8 at 9 a.m.
- The Stock Group examines aspects of selecting, timing, buying, and selling stocks. Next meeting is on Friday, July 17 at 2 p.m.
- The ETF/Mutual Fund Group focuses on exchange-traded funds and mutual funds for income and growth in your portfolio. Next meeting is on Friday, July 31 at 2 p.m.

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

GARDEN

Desert blooms, picnic bites, and a milestone of house calls: A tribute to our volunteers

The sun is shining, and the SCA Garden Club and its House Call program are taking a summer break during July and August. We'll be focusing all our energy on keeping our favorite green spaces happy and hydrated through the peak of the summer sun. While members wait for cooler months, it is a good time to thank our many volunteers for their contributions to the club's successful signature events and flagship program.



Plant Whisperer Howard Galin, chair of the House Call program, chats with member Sally Durante at the recent club picnic

A massive round of applause goes out to the seven hosts who opened their gates for this year's garden tour: Susan Barcomb, Howard Galin, Helene Linden, Linda Naccarato, Carol Prail, Bob Sequeira, and Charlie Smith. These private oases offered a vivid look at the surprising diversity of flora that thrives in southern Nevada, proving that "arid" can still be lush and vibrant. Beyond the stunning views, the hosts were absolute stars for patiently fielding a marathon of questions, turning each stop into a masterclass for curious members.

The momentum carried right into the annual luncheon—this year a sold-out picnic success thanks to co-chairs Caroline Alexander and Carol Mittman and their incredible volunteer team. From the flawless setup to the photo showcase of the tour's best moments, their behind-the-scenes hustle made the day feel effortless.

The hard work of volunteer team members Doris Chan, Cindy Dayney, Jackie Flanagan, Fran Gardberg, Linda Gettier, Christie Karicofe, Cathey O'Connell, Heather Simpkins, and the leadership team—Diane, Bob, Donna, and Marlene—made the picnic a rousing success. It was the perfect way to wrap up the club's signature events, celebrating the hard work and community spirit that keep this garden club blooming year after year.



Hosts from the April Garden Tour.
Missing are Susan Barcomb and Charlie Smith

Clubs



Garden Club May picnic volunteer team

In addition to signature events, the club is celebrating a major milestone of our flagship program: House Calls. Chair Howard Galin and team members Sheila Hodis, Carol Prail, and Alec Pridgen have completed their 100th visit to the garden of a member needing assistance. A well-deserved shoutout goes to these volunteers for their hard work.

The House Call program is an essential resource for those new to the club or transplants from out of state who may not know how to care for inherited landscape plants. At a member's request, two experts from the program visit gardens on weekdays to identify plants and offer advice at no cost, providing a wide range of garden-related assistance. Whether answering questions via phone or performing on-site visits, these volunteers keep our community spirit blooming.

Aside from our summer break, the club meets on the second Monday of each month from 9:30 to 11 a.m. in Independence Center Multipurpose Rooms. Join us on Monday, September 14, for the next meeting when things cool down. Refer to the club website at Garden.SCAclub.org for more information.

Stay cool, and happy gardening!

HAND AND FOOT

You get two “hands” in our game. 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 a partner, you compete against another duo and play to the finish!

Seven identical cards are “booked,” and if there are no wild cards, (twos and jokers) they are clean or red and count 500 points. With one or two wild cards, they are dirty or black and count 300 points. Red threes count against you (100 points each) when you add up the final points.

We meet twice a week in the Morris/Nelson Room in Independence Center. We ask that you arrive by 5:15 p.m. for Tuesday games and 12:15 p.m. for Friday games. Once all tables are filled, cards are distributed, and play begins.

New players will be paired with an officer or mentor to familiarize themselves with the club rules. We welcome newcomers to enjoy the camaraderie and game. Questions? Contact Charlene Wakkuri at acwakkuri@gmail.com or Lisa Daenzer at daenzerx4@aol.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 to 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.



Tzitzit hanging over the waistband



Tzitzit hang from the bottom of a tallit as a Jewish man prays

Monday, July 13. Come join our Israeli dance class from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in the Delaware Room. It is an afternoon of fun, friendship, and connection to our Jewish heritage. Dances consist mostly of walking steps from the traditional to more modern music. No prior dance experience is needed!

The next Social Solos event will be on Sunday, August 2 in the Nelson Room in Independence Center. We will have a dinner dine-out on Tuesday, August 18.

Save the date

Our annual Movie & Ice Cream Social will be held on Sunday, August 23.

Members will receive details for our events via email. For more information, membership forms, upcoming events, photo galleries, and to contact any leadership team member, go to 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 in Anthem Center. Membership dues are \$15 per person. Direct questions to President Mitchell Stein at myscahavurah@gmail.com.

Jewish tidbits: Tzitzit

Have you ever noticed fringes sneaking out of the waistband of a religious Jewish man's pants, or peeking out from under the hem of his shirt? Those are *tzitzit*!

There are 613 threads that comprise *tzitzit*. They correspond to the 613 commandments G-d ordered Jewish men to follow. They are attached in the corners of a pinney-like garment worn under

shirts. They are also attached to a tallit—a prayer shawl. There are specific instructions regarding the attachment of the *tzitzit* strings.

Wearing *tzitzit* is intended to keep us away from temptation by reminding us that G-d is present in our lives and watching us.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS



Summer nutrition. The hottest months of the year are upon us, which means staying hydrated is essential. By the time you feel thirsty, you may already be mildly dehydrated. Along with drinking plenty of fluids, incorporating hydrating foods such as watermelon, cucumbers, strawberries, tomatoes, citrus fruits, and lettuce into your daily meals can significantly help maintain your hydration levels.

Simple hydration tips

- Start early by drinking water in the morning before coffee or errands.
- Sip consistently throughout the day instead of trying to catch up later.
- Infuse your water with fresh lemon, lime, mint, berries, or a splash of coconut water.
- Carry a reusable water bottle with you everywhere.



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Around 100 members and guests gather to stretch and strengthen during a recent club meeting

- Increase your fluid intake well before heading out for outdoor activities.
- Add low-sugar electrolytes to your water if you are sweating heavily.

Our club enjoyed a busy month in May with two inspiring presentations and a fabulous response at the Club Fair. We officially reached our 300-plus member milestone, and our numbers continue to grow.

SCA trainer and boxing instructor Rebecca Montijo joined us for a high-energy presentation on the importance of maintaining strength as we age, famously calling muscle our longevity organ. One hundred members and guests rose from their seats to twist, reach, bend, and lunge, actively moving all the major joints in their bodies. It was a powerful session that reminded us that muscles are the true engine keeping us moving, living, and enjoying life, and that we can build muscle and increase strength at any age. Thank you, Rebecca!



Trainer Rebecca Montijo leads a discussion on the importance of muscle strength



Legacy Project Community Panel. From left: Danelle (facilitator), Myra, Eunice, George, Tom, and Lindy Mitchell (president) discuss upcoming community initiatives

Our second meeting was based on the Cornell Legacy Project, featuring a panel of SCA residents ages 79 to 94. This group of insightful neighbors shared their valuable wisdom on aging well, finding purpose, building resilience, and navigating life lessons. Common threads included surrounding yourself with positive people, never fearing failure, maintaining a curiosity for learning, and living life with intention. Their stories were truly heartening, and they remind us that the experiences of earlier generations offer guidance worth preserving.

We extend a warm thank you to our featured community panelists, Tom Lee, George Gingerelli, Eunice Fischer, and Myra Berkovitz, and to Danelle Glassburg, Health & Wellness treasurer, for her hard work in facilitating this wonderful session.

We look forward to seeing you for our August meetings. Visit our website at healthandwellnessclub.org for details on upcoming presentations and events, or feel free to email us at sca.hwc@gmail.com.

HIKING AND OUTING



So far this year, the club has enjoyed two away trips, each offering its own unique style of hiking fun. A big tip of the hat goes to our vice president of Away Trips, Mike Messenger, for planning and executing them so smoothly. If organizing a trip for yourself takes effort, just imagine managing one for 30 to 60 hikers! For those already looking ahead, a September hiking excursion to South Lake Tahoe is now in the works.

Morro Bay, California

In April, the group headed to Morro Bay, California, where the eye-catching Morro Rock stole the show right away. This 581-foot-high volcanic plug rises at the harbor's entrance and serves as a sanctuary for all kinds of seabirds. With a good pair of binoculars,



Our hiking crew gathers in front of mighty Morro Rock in Morro Bay, California

you might even spot a peregrine falcon, the fastest animal on Earth, diving at speeds of up to 200 mph.

The excursions included long beach walks and scenic rambles through the coastal foothills, all offering beautiful views of the Pacific. While hiking was the main event, some members also took day trips to nearby San Simeon to tour Hearst Castle. Along the way, many stopped at the Piedras Blancas Elephant Seal Viewing Area, where thousands of elephant seals lounged along the shoreline, flipping sand over themselves and occasionally barking at neighbors or newcomers.

Fresh air, excellent trails, abundant wildlife, and lively card games at the end of each day made this a memorable getaway.

Arches and Canyonlands National Parks, Utah

In May, members rolled into Moab, Utah, using it as a base camp to explore the local canyons alongside Arches and Canyonlands National Parks. The Grandstaff Canyon Trail near Moab provided



Hikers navigate a stream crossing on Grandstaff Canyon Trail near Moab, Utah, led by Mike Messenger, in blue

a fantastic start to the trip, following a clear, year-round stream and ending at the impressive Morning Glory Natural Bridge.

Arches, with its stone spans, towering fins, and balanced rocks, proved to be a spectacular showstopper by day. The park was equally stunning at night, where stars and planets scattered across the sky while satellites drifted slowly overhead.

Canyonlands National Park showcased its own rugged charm with deep canyons, buttes, and spires carved by the Colorado and Green rivers. While hiking along the rim, members took in the sweeping vistas and wisely maintained a safe distance from the edge.

On the final evening, some members enjoyed the local entertainment, and a few braver souls even took to the stage for karaoke. Sun City Anthem Hiking Club's Got Talent, anyone?

Upcoming summer happy hour

Come join us for our upcoming summer happy hour in the Liberty Center kitchen and meeting room on Wednesday, July 22, from 5 to 9 p.m. Bring your favorite beverage and finger foods for a fun-filled game of Left-Right-Center (LRC), a fast-paced, luck-based dice game. For more information on our club, contact new member advisor Joel Hawk at TheHawksflt@gmail.com or visit our website at scahikingclub.com.



Cyndy Hunter, Deb Lopez, and Meredith Martes strike a playful pose in front of Mesa Arch in Canyonlands National Park, Utah

HORSE RACING



Have you ever walked past a casino sportsbook, heard the roar of the crowd during a horse race, and wondered what the excitement was all about? If so, the Sun City Anthem Horse Racing Club is the perfect place to find out.

This past winter, we launched a series of handicapping training sessions designed specifically for our new and less experienced members. This is the ideal environment to ask questions and gain hands-on experience with the various tools available to players.

On selected Friday mornings, many club members meet online to handicap the following Saturday's races. We are currently experimenting with a hybrid schedule of Zoom meetings and in-person sessions at South Point. In the spring, we concentrate on three-year-old races, the Kentucky Derby, the Oaks, and the rest of the Triple Crown. In the fall, our focus shifts to the Breeders' Cup. For these major events, we get tables at South Point to handicap and wager together.

Don't be late at the gate! Join our club—we wager you are bound to have a great time. We are a dues-free club. See you there.

For any questions, send us an email at SCAHorseRacingCLUB@gmail.com.

INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL CONNECTIONS



We must be free not because we claim freedom, but because we practice it.
~ William Faulkner.

Genealogy and family history

In honor of Jewish American Heritage Month, the ICCC hosted Ben Kempner from the Jewish Genealogy Society of Southern Nevada on May 4. His presentation, "A Nation of Immigrants: Policies, Ports, and Paper Trails," was well-attended by our members and friends from Havurah, and our group also continues to enjoy off-campus trips to the Family Search center and local lectures.



On June 1, we welcomed Tim Hagan, governor of the Nevada Southern Branch of The National Society of the Sons and Daughters of the Pilgrims. Tim shared how the Society helps individuals discover their pilgrim ancestors and preserve their historical legacy.

Family history videos

We have partnered with the Multimedia Club to create family history videos. If you would like assistance with your family tree or a commemorative video, contact us.



Cultural activities

To observe Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month in May, our line dancing class enjoyed an introduction to hula on May 28. Line dancing is held every Thursday in Liberty Center at 1 p.m. These sessions are free for all ICCC members, and guests may attend up to two times.

Save the date: First Mondays

Join us on the first Monday of every month in the Nelson Room, Independence Center.

- 9:30 a.m. Beginner Ukulele
- 11 a.m. Coffee and Conversation / Learn a Language

On June 1, we celebrated Juneteenth. A special thank you goes to Judy Gorum, our vice president, and our social committee for the wonderful refreshments!



Upcoming events

Following our successful Cinco de Mayo dining discovery, we invite you to join us for our cuisine discovery trip in July. You can find restaurant reviews and more information on our website. Additionally, check our calendar for all beginner and intermediate ukulele classes. Information and membership forms are available at the club kiosk. Just \$10 a year buys a lot of fun! We look forward to seeing you soon.

July celebrations

- July 1 — Canada Day
- July 2 to 5 — Essence Festival of Culture (New Orleans, Louisiana)
- July 3 to 9 — Fiesta del Fuego / Festival del Caribe (Santiago de Cuba, Cuba)
- July 4 — Independence Day (USA)
- July 14 — Bastille Day (France)
- July 18 — Nelson Mandela International Day
- July 30 to August 3 — Toronto Caribbean Carnival (Toronto, Ontario)

"Celebrating Cultures, Creating Friendships"



ITALIAN FORUM



July in Italy is a season of sunshine, celebration, and unforgettable evenings shared with family and friends. Across the country, life moves outdoors as piazzas (public squares) come alive with music, festivals, laughter, and the aroma of incredible summer cuisine. From the coastal villages of Sicily to the rolling hills of Tuscany, July captures the heart of la dolce vita (the sweet life) in full color.

Summer festivals, known as *sagre* (local food festivals), fill towns and villages throughout Italy during July. These cherished gatherings celebrate regional foods, local wines, and centuries-old traditions. Long communal tables stretch across cobblestone streets while neighbors and visitors gather to enjoy handmade pasta, fresh seafood, garden vegetables, and wood-fired specialties under glowing café lights. Music and dancing often continue late into the evening, creating memories that feel timeless.

One of the most beloved traditions of the season is the *Festa del Redentore* (Festival of the Redeemer) in Venice, where decorated boats fill the canals and fireworks illuminate the summer sky. In Siena, preparations continue for the world-famous Palio (historic horse race), an event filled with pageantry, passion, and fierce neighborhood pride. Throughout Italy, July reminds us how deeply culture and community are woven together.



SCA Club Fair brings members together to share the joy of connecting with the community

Italian summers are also centered around *famiglia* (family). Many Italians spend weekends gathering for long meals, afternoon espresso, and evening *passeggiata* (a leisurely evening stroll) through town squares as the sun begins to set. It is a season that encourages people to slow down, reconnect, and appreciate the simple beauty of enjoyable conversation and togetherness.

Here in SCA, the Italian Forum Club embraces that same joyful spirit. Our club continues to grow because of the wonderful energy, friendships, and enthusiasm shared by our members. Whether enjoying live music, dancing, themed dinners, or



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simply friendly conversation around the table, every gathering reflects the warmth and *ospitalità* (hospitality) that define Italian culture.

What makes this club truly special is the sense of *amicizia* (friendship) that exists among our members. New friendships form quickly, familiar faces are always greeted warmly, and every event feels like an extended family reunion. Our leadership team and volunteers continue to pour their hearts into creating memorable evenings filled with fun, laughter, and authentic Italian flair.

As president, I remain incredibly grateful for the support, participation, and spirit of this amazing community. Together, we continue to celebrate the traditions, culture, and joyful lifestyle that make Italy so beloved around the world.

If you have Italian heritage, or simply enjoy the culture, cuisine, music, and camaraderie of Italy, we invite you to join us. To learn more about the Italian Forum Club, call me at 702-245-3567.

Here's to warm summer nights, treasured friendships, and celebrating life the Italian way, *insieme* (together).

Dean McQuillan, Italian Forum Club President

LGBTQ+



The LGBTQ+ Club of Sun City Anthem brings together LGBTQ+ residents (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer) and allies to build community, foster pride, and promote understanding. We provide a safe, inclusive space for connection, support, and celebration of our diverse identities within our vibrant 55-and-older community. All are welcome.



Members Robb Perry and Mark Larson at the SCA Club Fair

The club closed its first year as an SCA chartered club with a big Pride bash for 65 of our 110 members. Masterpiece Cuisine catered Hawaiian-style food, and hula lessons were provided by the International Cultural Connections Club.

All meetings are on hiatus for July and August, and member meetings resume in September. Two speakers are lined up for the fall general meetings:

- **September 2:** Lukas Serrano, director of public affairs for the LGBTQ+ Center of Las Vegas.
- **October 7:** Michael Prest will give a presentation on LGBTQ+ symbols and flag history.



Member Kim Keels gives a presentation on heart health

Club members will coordinate summer social events and updates will be emailed to members. If you'd like to receive club emails about upcoming events, membership is \$15. Contact the club at sca.lgbtq.club@gmail.com.



SCA Administrative and Activities Offices will be closed Friday, July 3 in observance of Independence Day.
All SCA Centers open regular hours.

LIFELONG LEARNING



The Lifelong Learning Club pursues knowledge through the presentation of lectures of general interest to the Sun City residents.

Enjoy your July Fourth holiday!

Tuesday, July 7, no meeting.



Special Delivery of Billionaires' Airplanes

Craig Walmsly, SCA resident

Wednesday, July 15, 10 a.m., Delaware Room



Imagine flying a single-engine airplane from the manufacturer in Minnesota to destinations all around the world to deliver a highly expensive purchase to a billionaire owner. You would have to factor in weather, fueling spots, and your own fatigue, and you certainly would not want to damage one of those precious purchases. Come hear about the adventures!

Discussion Group: How do we solve the problem of a constant increase in the cost of living and a shrinking job market from AI?

Friday, July 31, 10 a.m., Penn Room, Independence Center

MAH JONGG



Are you looking for something new to try? Do you love to play mah jongg? Then the Mah Jongg Club could be what you are looking for.

We meet on Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Morris/Nelson Room, which is located in Independence Center. Drop in and check out the action. Both



Treasurer Nancy Adams greets a new member at the Club Fair

American and Asian-style games are played, and one great thing is that the club provides both types of sets.

Our membership is growing. We signed up new people at the Club Fair, and more keep joining every week. Free lessons are available.

In addition to the open play, we have been bringing some social activities to our members. In May we had an ice cream social, and it was perfect for such a hot day. June saw our Lunch Time luncheon. We had food catered by Jason's Deli, and it all tasted so good.

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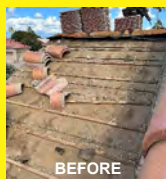
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Clubs

The leadership team is working on some additional events for all members. We are planning a Welcome to Fall event, and a special party is being planned for November. Holiday time will be here before you know it. While things may be quiet for the summer, remember we are open for play. Bring a sweater as the room does get cold at times.

MULTIMEDIA



Happy Independence Day!

When you get to know a lot of people, you make a great discovery... It takes all the people—black and white, Catholic, Jewish and Protestant, recent immigrants and Mayflower descendants—to make up America.
~ Judy Garland.

If you have not yet watched the Ken Burns documentary series *The American Revolution*, this is the month to watch it! You will hear a lot of place names that you will recognize from our own community. Why? SCA was planned around the theme of Independence and the American Revolution. View it on Amazon Prime and Apple TV to stream it or watch it for free if you are a member of PBS.



Listen and watch on jamesstewartevans.com or search on your apps

Congratulations to our recent movie makers! The beautiful Memorial Day music video tribute by James Stewart Evans is a treasure. Thanks to both Jim Evans and Dennis Palsgaard for your Q&A session at our May AI movie workshop. Whether you have mastered AI or a Magic Movie class and produced your own short movie, or are still learning, we are so proud of all of you! Watch the selections on our website. If you want to learn how, click “Join” on our website or scan the QR code below. Membership information is also available at the club kiosk near Activities.

Let “The Dream Makers” help you make your dream project come true. At the SCA Club Fair in May, we showcased just some of



President Phyll Perry
at the SCA Club Fair

what our talented members do at our Multimedia Club. We produce videos for clubs and residents, documentaries for outreach projects, family history videos, custom songs for celebrations, podcasts, interviews with residents on multiple subjects, images for your home, custom cards, and more. Send a request or drop a note in our mailbox located at the Fitness Center.

Podcasts and Vodcasts

Would you like to produce an audio podcast or a video vodcast on a favorite topic? Or would you prefer to conduct an interview or be interviewed on a subject you particularly like? We are currently casting talented and knowledgeable people in all fields.



Don Hill, Drone group leader

If you missed the May drone workshop and have an interest in aerial images, let us know. Did you know that you cannot fly a drone close to Henderson Executive Airport without explicit permission from the FAA? Watch Don Hill's PowerPoint presentation on our website.

Documentary projects in production

- *Music and Memory* addresses Alzheimer's disease and memory loss, featuring the Just for Fun singing group which entertains at memory care facilities in and around the valley.
- *Cyberbullying and Human Trafficking* are two distinct documentaries created with Lena and Ken Walther. Lena is currently working with the school board on these projects to educate students on the dangers of social media.

Let us know if you want to be involved in any of the above outreach projects. Contact President Phyll Perry via email at multimediasca@gmail.com.



It's a wrap!

NEW YORK METRO

NEW YORK METRO CLUB



Wow, we're still full and talking about our wonderful Deli night that happened on June 4. Sixty people enjoyed great food, fabulous entertainment, and a lot of laughs.

Summer in Las Vegas is known for its heat, which drives people to travel elsewhere to cool off. In New York and the rest of the tri-state area, we had our own ways of beating the heat. Brooklyn had Coney Island and Manhattan Beach. Many summer days were spent on the sand, buying a fudgie wudgie from the vendors walking along the beach. Coney Island featured Nathan's and thrilling rides. Queens had the Rockaways, and Long Island claimed some of the most beautiful beaches, including Jones Beach, Long Beach, the Hamptons, and Montauk, known as the "End."

New Jersey offered the Jersey Shore and Atlantic City with its saltwater taffy and cotton candy. Connecticut offered Gulf Beach, Harvey's Beach, and Quaddick State Park. For many New Yorkers, early summer memories include the Catskills, bungalow colonies, and hotels such as the Concord, the Nevele, and the Raleigh.

We are still considering activities to host over the summer. If you have any ideas, send a note through our website. We are always looking for input from our members on how to enhance our club.

You can find membership applications in Anthem Center or on our website. The cost is only \$15 to join. We look forward to meeting you and welcoming you back to the East Coast. For more information about our activities, our upcoming events, and answers to any questions you might have, feel free to visit newyorkmetro-scaclub.org.



PADDLE TENNIS



What fun and unique outdoor activity is happening at Liberty Center? It's PADDLE TENNIS!

The sport is a scaled down version of tennis played on a smaller court available to people of all ages and skill levels. It provides a wonderful way to improve your health while making new friends at the same time.

Paddle tennis is a perfect transition for players of any racquet sport, as well as for beginners. The rules and scoring are like tennis, and it uses special low-bounce tennis balls.

The club meets at Liberty Center on the three courts closest to the cell tower on Tuesdays, Fridays and Sundays at 8 a.m. during the summer months and 8:30 a.m. when it is colder. On the first Sunday of each month, members participate in a potluck.

The club provides balls, paddles and lessons for those new to the sport. All you need is to wear non-marking court shoes and bring water or sports drinks for hydration.

So, what are you waiting for? Get off the couch and join us for a fun time while improving your overall physical and mental well-being.

Our dues are low at \$10 per year. For more information, contact Jerry Cant at jc44lv@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 6, 7, and jack. Certain cards are pay cards, and all spades are double.

We play in the Anthem Gallery near the Fitness Center on Mondays, Thursdays, and Saturdays from 12:15 to 3:15 p.m. Arrive about five minutes early as we draw for seats. Annual dues are \$10. We will be giving pan lessons upon request. Hope to see you soon.

For more information about the club, contact our president Laurie Nagle at 310-977-0865 or email laurie.a.nagle@gmail.com.

Pan, a fun game played differently.



PARTY BRIDGE



Party Bridge sessions are held on Sundays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 1 to 3:30 p.m. in the Emerson /Franklin Room. Refer to Ann Murray at 619-820-4306 for more details.

Getting to know Robert Stern

Robert Stern lived a life defined by reinvention, curiosity, and a remarkable balance of logic and creativity, and his friends recognize these qualities instantly. Growing up in Steubenville, Ohio, he showed early signs of being both left-brained and right-brained, and he was equally at home with numbers and imagination.



In 1966, during the Vietnam War, Robert volunteered for the draft under President Johnson. He completed Officer Candidates School at Fort Knox, became a Cavalry Officer, and served in Germany. After returning to the U.S., he completed his degree at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, and graduated with honors in accountancy in 1970.

From there, his career blossomed in Los Angeles. Robert worked as an executive for radio and TV stations and Hollywood studios, and his professional connections touched iconic projects such as *Star Wars* and *M*A*S*H*. He later ran his own consulting firm, Cash Flow Solutions, for 10 years before serving as general manager of a Beverly Hills talent agency. His lifelong dream was to become a game show host, and he jokes he came surprisingly close to achieving that dream after a memorable encounter with Ted Turner.

Robert moved to Las Vegas in 2005 and embraced what he humorously calls his "Quest for Shallowness." Along the way, he wrote five books, traveled extensively, and developed a lasting affection for Costa Rica. He married three times and has two daughters from his first marriage, including Tracy (pictured). His second wife passed away at age 32, which left Robert to raise their son on his own. He describes this chapter with both honesty and pride.

Now 81, Robert says he received a "new lease on life" after a quintuple bypass and flap repair a little over two years ago. The experience sparked a creative surge that surprised him. He has a website that showcases nearly 70 original songs. His first



Sherry Blumberg wins the deuce prize at our April barbecue party

album, *Moving On*, produced in Nashville, is currently being shopped, along with his second album, *The Juice Got Loose*. He is also executive producer of an upcoming Hollywood romantic comedy, *Flyover Country*, about a one-hit-wonder country band.

Through all these chapters, one passion remained constant: his love of bridge. Robert began playing before he was a teenager, and it shows, as he and his partner frequently take first place on bridge days.



Bidding farewell to Albert Chow as he moves to Maryland

Bridge tip

There is nothing more important than counting sure tricks before beginning to play. At no-trump, count sure tricks outside of the suit planned for establishment. This reveals how many tricks are needed in the main suit to play accordingly.

PERFORMING ARTS



PAC is looking for a few good men and women to serve as backstage hands. Opportunities include a videographer to record shows, spotlight operators, lightboard and soundboard operators, running music or video tracks, and helping with microphones. Best of all, volunteers do not have to perform on stage. If you have an interest but lack experience, the club will train you. What are you waiting for? Contact scdurgin@gmail.com or check out the club website pac.scaclub.org for more information.

Shall we dance

Did you know dancing is one of the best activities for healthy aging? Studies show that dance can improve memory, balance, flexibility, and cognitive function while also reducing stress and boosting mood. Best of all, it is fun, social, and a fantastic way to stay active at any age.



Dance class with instructor Susan Girard

The Performing Arts Club invites all SCA residents to discover the joy of dance through two weekly classes designed for dancers of all experience levels.

- **Anthem Jazz.** Mondays at 3 p.m. in the dance room in Liberty Center. Explore classic jazz, Broadway jazz, and the signature style of Bob Fosse in an upbeat, supportive environment that builds confidence, coordination, and performance skills.
- **Lyrical Ballet.** Thursdays at 2:30 p.m. in the Aerobics Room in Independence Center. Improve strength, flexibility, posture, balance, and artistic expression through graceful movement and easy-to-follow instruction.

Both classes are taught by master instructor Susan Girard, whose decades of professional teaching and choreography experience create an encouraging atmosphere where every dancer can feel comfortable learning and growing.

Whether you danced years ago or are trying it for the very first time, you are warmly welcome. Classes are just \$5 each, and you are invited to try a class with no commitment. Come move, laugh, learn, and experience the many benefits of dance for yourself. For more information, contact Linda Molony at vegaslindalou@gmail.com.



Choraliers performance

The Last Ride Band additional performances

If you missed the sold-out Last Ride show in June, watch for tickets for the upcoming dance parties on August 26 and September 30.

Shall we sing

Our choral group, the Choraliers, will sing all summer, working on their show *Academy Award Winners*. If you are interested, contact Ronnie Savino at savino2140@gmail.com.

Shall we act

PAC's production of the Agatha Christie mystery *And Then There Were None* is in rehearsals for our October 14 premiere. Directed by Alan Scharf, the acclaimed Agatha Christie mystery comes to life and death on the Freedom Hall stage. A group of 10 people gathers at a mansion. A recording plays, accusing each guest of murder. When the first guest is murdered, they understand they have been brought to the island by a maniac intending to dispense his own perverted form of justice.

This dramatic adaptation of the best-selling novel is sure to sell out. Plan on purchasing tickets when they go on sale in mid-August.

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• June 19	• December 18

See Activities for more information



Members of The Last Ride Band

PET



Wishing everyone a pawsitively patriotic Fourth of July! Happy Birthday to America! We hope everyone has a wonderful time celebrating the day with their furry pets.

The dog days of summer have arrived! Caring for pets in the summer requires extra vigilance to prevent heatstroke and dehydration. Always provide unlimited fresh water, and schedule walks for early mornings or evenings. Asphalt and concrete heat up extremely fast in the summer. As a general rule of thumb, press the back of your hand to the pavement for seven seconds. If it is too hot for your hand, it is too hot for their paws.

Summer may also bring a batch of bothersome weeds in yards. Be diligent when spraying any type of weed killer. Make sure the product is safe for all animals, even those critters who may wander into your yard.

Reminders

We do not hold regular meetings in July and August, but there may still be social activities planned throughout the summer. Be sure to check our website at pet.scaclub.org for announcements, updates, or changes. We are looking for places to visit during the summer, and suggestions are always welcome!

The *Pet Gazette* will continue to keep members informed with the latest club news. Although we aim to host meetings in the



SCA Pet Club members present a \$1,134 check to Those Left Behind Foundation representatives at the May Bingo event

Independence Center courtyard, weather conditions may require a change of location. Any updates will be communicated in the Gazette.

Bingo and July rescue spotlight

Our July rescue organization is Hearts Alive Village (heartsalivevillage.org). According to their website:

“As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, we operate two low-cost veterinary clinics, an everyday adoption center, a cat café, a veterinary forensics program, veterans support programs, a pet food bank, and much more.”

As always, donations of food, clean blankets, towels, toys, crates, and other pet-related items are appreciated at all Bingo games. A jar will be available for depositing monetary gifts.

Bingo is open to all SCA residents and takes place on the last Wednesday of each month, January through October.

- Doors open at 5:15 p.m. to allow time to purchase cards and daubers.
- Registration closes at 6:10 p.m.
- Games begin promptly at 6:30 p.m.

Players have won over \$57,000 since Bingo's inception, and we have raised over \$28,000 for local rescues!

Register online at pet.scaclub.org/bingo. For assistance signing up, contact our bingo manager, Jo Phillips, via email at jo1571@gmail.com.



Club members enjoy an incredible food spread during the May potluck in Independence Center courtyard

PHOTO



Photo
Club

On July 4, 1776, the Continental Congress adopted the Declaration of Independence, and our nation was born. This year, we “Celebrate America’s 250th Birthday.”

This celebration is also the theme of the Photo Club’s summer challenge! How do you enter? Here is a quick review. The full rules are printed in the June issue of this publication and may be found in our display cabinet near the Anthem Fitness Center. The challenge is open to all SCA residents. Select one .jpg taken between May 15 and August 15 to submit; include your name and a title for the image. The photo challenge submission deadline is



The History Lesson. Photo by Nicholas Nizich



Bitter Melon. Photo by Timothy Benoit

August 15. Email one .jpg photo to scaphotoclub2023@gmail.com. Subject line: Challenge. Good luck, and remember patriotic moments can be captured anywhere, even in a backyard!

Last year’s summer photo challenge was quite different. In 2025, we asked photographers to choose a single subject and to find a fresh perspective (move in, out, up, down, around, zoom, find unusual angles, or use various composition techniques). The two 2025 challenge photos shown here were among those selected for display. Rich Kastenbaum used black and white for this unusual perspective: a shot of the underside of a cosmos flower. David Benoit’s bitter melon photo contrasted textures, colors, and brightness and shadow.

Notice

Photo Club will be on summer hiatus in June, July, and August. Meetings resume September 17 from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Penn Room in Independence Center. Our next informal Cameras and Chat takes place September 23 from 10 to 11 a.m. in the Knox Room. For more information, visit our website at scaphotoclub.com. To join, email scaphotoclub2023@gmail.com. If you are an SCA resident interested in photography, no matter what your level of experience, we want to meet you. We also encourage you to enter our Celebrate America’s 250th Birthday photo challenge!



Study of the Opening of a Cosmos. Photo by Rich Kastenbaum

PICKLEBALL



Lessons learned: *Dink, dink, BANG! Stand across from your drilling partner, both of you at the kitchen line. Hit three dinks to each other, and on the fourth shot, speed it up and hit harder. Now it's up to the receiver to slow down and reset the ball. Repeat!*

The art of dinking was on full display during the club's annual dink-a-thon in May. Beginner, intermediate, and advanced players focused on serving and playing only in the kitchen, the non-volley zone which is seven feet from the net on both sides of the court. Many players entered the dink-a-thon for the first time, and they found it took discipline, restraint, and concentration to control shot placement and tempo. The same rules apply as full-court play: no stepping into the kitchen until the ball bounces first. This is no easy task.

Players who master dinking usually demonstrate better court awareness, readiness, and patience. While powerful shots win points quickly, strong dinking skills consistently win games by reducing errors and controlling momentum throughout a match. Now the challenge is to incorporate dinking into your game. If you watch the pros on ESPN and YouTube, you'll see most points are won at the kitchen line.

We appreciate everyone who came to the dink-a-thon as participants, volunteers, and onlookers. The charity event honoring former club member Bobby Duncan raised a whopping \$3,000 for Stand Up to Cancer, smashing all expectations.

It was great talking with everyone who stopped at our booth during the SCA Club Fair in May. We generated lots of interest, and we landed so many new members that Larry Strumwasser scheduled an additional orientation session.



Dink-a-thon organizer Larry Strumwasser and Jacki Duncan congratulate winners Kim Nutting, Jen Carlson, Sire Ortiz, and Danelle Glassburg



May clinic participants

New to the game, or new to SCA? Learn the basics at our new player orientation, typically the first Tuesday of every month, run by our experienced volunteers. Check the club's calendar for dates and times at pickleball.scaclub.org.

Also, watch the calendar for upcoming clinics and training, provided to members free of charge. In May, Abe Hasbun, Melissa Laughlin, and Larry Strumwasser, members of our leadership team, worked with beginners and low-intermediates on improving play at the non-volley zone, resets, and block shots. Earlier this spring, more than 40 intermediate and advanced players attended a reset clinic. Our goal is to help members improve their skills while having fun and stepping up the competition. Many thanks to our seasoned players for sharing their time and expertise.

During the extremely hot months of July and August, there will be no club-sponsored meetups. This break will also provide our dedicated volunteers with well-deserved time off. When you play



Abe Hasbun, Lisa Gensheimer, and Larry Strumwasser serve pickleball info and chocolate chip cookies at the SCA Club Fair

on your own, try to stay off the courts during the hottest hours of the day, remember to hydrate, and rest when you need a cooldown.

Club-organized meetups will resume in September. Check the website for details.

Contact us anytime at scapickleballclub@gmail.com.

Join our members-only Facebook page, Sun City Anthem Pickleball, Henderson, Nevada.

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 \$10. 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.

We play on Wednesdays from noon to 4 p.m. in the Emerson/Franklin Room. Double deck play starts promptly at noon, followed by single deck play at 1 p.m. For those new to single deck

or experienced players seeking a refresher, instruction is available at 1 p.m. on Wednesdays.

For double-deck instruction, contact Lisa Detrick at 949-525-2255. She can arrange to meet at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesdays.

For more information, contact Lisa Detrick or Cyndy Crossman at 951-897-1701.

POKER



The beautiful thing about poker is that everybody thinks they can play. ~ Chris Moneymaker.

The Poker Club has joined the HOA charitable gaming permit. This means that a portion of all of our prize pools will be going to charity. The club is proud to support Shade Tree, Meals on Wheels, Rebuilding Together, and U.S. Vets Las Vegas.

We play well with others. Whether you have never played before or are a long-time player, you are welcome to come play with the SCA Poker Club. We are a wonderful mixed group with many assorted poker games. We feature:

- **Texas Hold'em** tournaments every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 10 a.m., with an additional session every other Thursday at 5 p.m. Morning sessions have open seating, while evening tournaments require online registration to reserve a spot.

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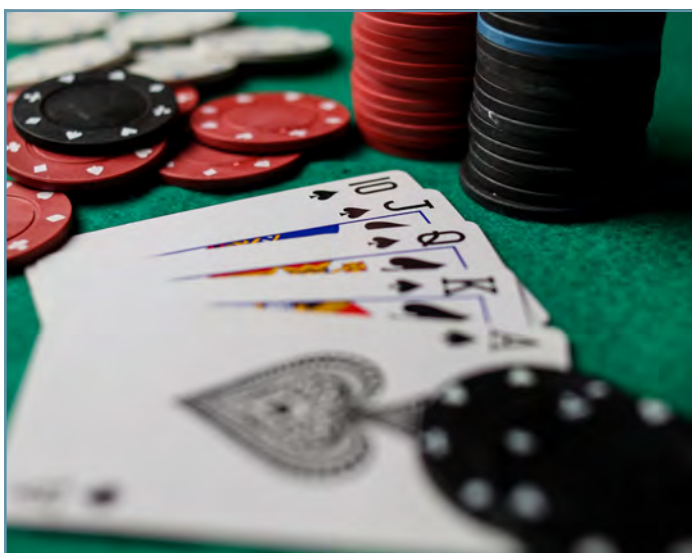
- **Seven-card stud** sessions every Saturday at 1 p.m. This session has a limited number of players; therefore, advance online sign-up is encouraged.
- **Omaha hi/lo** games every Tuesday at 12:30 p.m. Because capacity is limited, reserving your spot online is highly recommended.
- **Dealer's choice** games every Tuesday at 12:30 p.m. Everyone deals their own game! Most are high and low, with some declare games included. There are lots of crazy games, but no wild cards. Due to its popularity, this game requires advance online registration to ensure everyone has a place at the table.
- **Texas Hold'em** limit games every Thursday at 1 p.m. and Saturday at 9:45 a.m. Open seating is available for these sessions, so you can just show up and play.

Our website at poker.scaclub.org shows our rules under the Information tab, and it provides a listing of our club officers. You can also join the club by clicking on How To Join and following the instructions.

Our membership dues are \$20 a year (cheap!) and your annual holiday dinner is included. If you are unsure, you can play as a guest up to five times before joining. If you have any questions, contact us at scapokerclub@gmail.com or through the website.

Poker lessons

We have had several people ask us if we give lessons. The answer is yes, but only if we get enough individuals asking for them. If you are interested in lessons, go to our website under the Contact Us tab and send an email to the president. If we receive enough interest, we will hold a class, but we require all participants to join the club first. If you or someone you know is interested in lessons, let us know!



Serving up your summer treats

PORCELAIN

Happy July 4! Have some fun celebrating the special people in your life by painting a porcelain gift they can cherish. You can paint new decorations to enjoy or spruce up your serving pieces.

Visit us on any Wednesday morning from 9 a.m. to noon in the Ceramics Room in Anthem Center to see what the members are



Celebrate the Fourth of July holiday



Anthem Center hallway display cabinet



Lt. Gov. Stavros Anthony and State Senator Carrie Buck

working on. All levels are welcome, and the club members are helpful in mentoring newcomers.

Come join the club!

REPUBLICAN



The Republican Club of Sun City Anthem is more than a political organization—it is a vibrant community built on connection, shared values, and a strong commitment to civic engagement.

The club meets on the second Saturday of each month at 10 a.m. in the Morris/Nelson Room, Independence Center. All SCA residents are welcome. With a spirit of inclusivity, we embrace individuals of all genders, races, ethnic backgrounds, cultures, nationalities, and religions. Strong communities are built on mutual respect and a shared sense of purpose.

Upcoming events

July 11. Happy Birthday, America Social

Join us for great food, games, and a celebration of the greatest country in the world!

- Doors open at 10 a.m.
- Catered by New Day Cafe.
- Cost is \$10 per person, payable in advance.
- This is a members-only event.

August 8. No meeting scheduled

May meeting recap

We welcomed a representative from Henderson Parks and Recreation to discuss the upcoming ballot question. The current funding source is set to expire, and the ballot measure asks voters whether the funding should be extended. These funds support parks and recreation facilities throughout Henderson. A “Yes”

vote would continue directing the funds to the City of Henderson, while a “No” vote would allow the funds to revert to Clark County for distribution.

Keynote speaker

Our keynote speaker was Lt. Gov. Stavros Anthony, who is seeking reelection and has received the endorsement of President Trump.

As lieutenant governor, he serves as chair of the Nevada Tourism Commission and Nevada Outdoor Recreation, among other responsibilities. He also presides over the Nevada State Senate during legislative sessions.

Lt. Gov. Anthony noted that Democrats currently hold control of the Legislature, but they do not have a supermajority. Of the



Lt. Gov. Stavros Anthony and club president Sharon McCabe

42 Assembly seats, 27 are held by Democrats, 14 by Republicans, and one seat is vacant. He emphasized that upcoming elections will provide voters an opportunity to influence the balance of representation.

He also discussed his efforts regarding policies affecting women's sports. As always, it was a pleasure to welcome Lt. Gov. Anthony to our meeting.

General election

- Early voting: October 17 to 30
- Election Day: November 3

Membership & contact information

- Email: info@revereclub@gmail.com
- Membership dues: \$15 per person

Final thought

Patriotism is more than pride in our country—it is a commitment to preserving the freedoms and opportunities that make America exceptional. By staying informed, involved, and engaged in our communities, each of us can help shape a stronger future.

As we celebrate our nation this summer, remember that every voice matters and every vote counts. Participation in our democracy is both a privilege and a responsibility.

God Bless America.

REVERE MEN'S GOLF

The Revere Men's Golf Club (RMGC) develops and coordinates golfing activities and play dates for its members, ensuring that each golf day and format is well organized and responsive to the interests of the membership. Beyond the competition, the club emphasizes goodwill and fellowship as the foundation of all its activities.

Weekly games are held every Wednesday, with start times adjusted seasonally—beginning earlier in the summer and later in the winter. Both Revere courses are used on a rotating basis, with the Concord Course played more frequently.

Membership is open to residents of SCA, with annual dues of \$100 per person. This fee includes membership in the Southern Nevada Golf Association (SNGA), which allows members to establish and maintain a handicap index. The balance of the annual dues funds several hosted luncheons throughout the year. Additionally, residents, friends and relatives of members may join as annual guests (\$100) when sponsored by a current RMGC member. This sponsorship permits guests to fully participate in the club's activities and traditions. Membership forms are available online at reveremensgolfclub.godaddysites.com or at the Revere Clubhouse.

Congratulations to Greg Simental for his third hole-in-one on May 6.

Upcoming schedule

July

- July 1, Individual Net
- July 8, Cha Cha Cha, with a membership meeting after the round
- July 15, Eclectic round one
- July 29, Eclectic round two

August

- August 5, Two-man Best Ball
- August 12, Stableford and Skins
- August 19, Four-Man Scramble and Closest to the Pin, with a meeting after golf
- August 26, Individual Gross and Net and Deuces

September

- September 2, Yellow Ball
- September 9, Eclectic round one
- September 16, Eclectic round two
- September 23, Best nine Individual Net and Deuces
- September 30, Three tees challenge

ROCK AND ROLL PLUS DANCE



The Rock and Roll Plus Dance Club welcomes everyone to join the fun at our upcoming events. We host dances almost every month, and we would love to have you dance with us. At our social event on Sunday, June 21, members and guests spent the afternoon rocking and rolling to music provided by club officers. Song requests are always welcome.

We are taking a hiatus during July, but we will return on Sunday, August 16, with another social dance. Admission is free for members, and guest tickets are \$5. Bring your own non-alcoholic beverages and snacks, meet new friends, and enjoy a fun afternoon of dancing from 2 to 4 p.m.



Club members enjoy the Shamrock 'n Roll dinner dance in March

Mark your calendars for our next dinner dance, Hibiscus Hop, a Hawaiian luau-themed evening on Sunday, September 20. Back by popular demand, the Randy Anderson Band will perform live for our dancers, and the menu will feature luau-inspired cuisine. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. The evening features beach balls, midway games with prizes, and plenty of festive entertainment. Space is limited, so submit your reservation as soon as possible. Registration forms are available at the Activities kiosk, and the deadline for registering is Tuesday, September 1.

To learn more about us, visit rockroll.scaclub.org. You can contact us directly via the emails listed under the contact section of the website.

RV

The SCA RV Club held a potluck dinner on April 28 in the Independence Center courtyard before summer travel starts for many in the group. There was delicious food, plenty of conversation, and everyone had a great time hanging out together.



People RV because they enjoy mobility, adventure, community, and having “home” with them while they travel. You’re traveling, eating, exploring, and relaxing in the same space. RVing can offer flexibility compared with flights, restaurants, and multiple hotel rooms. For many RV members, summer means going north, uphill, or toward the coast to meet up with family or friends. It can range from simple campground camping to luxury motorcoach resorts with pools, pickleball, clubs, and organized activities.

Benefits of the RV lifestyle

Freedom to go. You can often choose your own route, stay longer somewhere you love, change plans more easily, and travel at your own pace.

Bringing home with you. Your bed, kitchen, clothes, coffee mug, and favorite chair travel with you. Many people like having familiar comforts wherever they go.

Beautiful places. RVing makes it easier to spend time near mountains, beaches, forests, lakes, national parks, desert sunsets, and scenic drives.

REVERE GOLF CLUB

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



GOLF

Course update – Beginning June 29, the Lexington Course will temporarily close as Revere Golf Club begins an important summer turf conversion project, with a tentative reopening planned for August 1. This investment in TifTuf Bermudagrass will create a stronger, more heat-tolerant playing surface and support the long-term quality of the Lexington Course. **Concord golf course remains open** and is in great condition this summer

FOOD & BEVERAGE

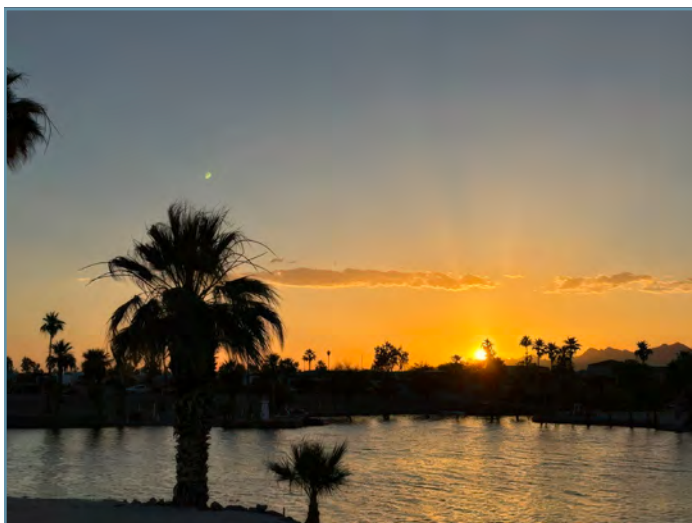
Buckman's Grille Early Closures:

Sunday, July 26 Last seating 3 pm

Events Happening at Buckman's Grille:

- Back by request! Buckman's Grille will be serving **brunch on Saturdays and Sundays from 11 am – 2 pm**. Come enjoy breakfast and lunch classics with a bubbly mimosa.
- Test your knowledge with Classic Trivia on **Tuesday, July 7th from 5 pm -7 pm**. Happy Hour drink and food options available. Reservations required 702-617-5780.
- Enjoy LIVE MUSIC with all your favorites from the 60s, 70s, 80s, and more! Come check out CAMERON DETTMAN sing and play guitar on **Thursday, July 16th from 5 pm – 7 pm**. Reservations encouraged to save you a seat.
- Sip, savor, and enjoy our 3rd wine dinner at Revere on **Friday, July 24th from 6 pm - 8 pm**. Chef Kreg's 3-course menu will include appetizer: grilled zucchini ribbons with lemon, chili, and toasted pine nuts, entrée: grilled lamb chops with eggplant caponata and chermoula, and dessert: grilled peaches with honey lavender-infused mascarpone and toasted almonds. All paired with 3 hand-picked wines—with a quick guide to each wine's flavor and origin. Love a bottle? Take one home after the event! Reservation Required. Call 702-617-5780.
- Looking to host an event? Drop off your business card and enter to win a free room rental. Contact kchoi@wgolfp.com for more details. We look forward to hosting your event!
- Bring the whole family on Wednesdays and KIDS EAT FREE! Who doesn't love free? With the purchase of an adult entrée.
- All month long, buy a \$100 gift card for Buckman's Grille, and receive a FREE \$20 promotional gift card to spend by August 31st. *Valid at Buckman's Grille Only.*

Dates and times subject to change. Please confirm your reservation through OpenTable or call 702-617-5783.



Time with family or friends. RV trips can create shared experiences through campfires, meals together, road trip memories, and outdoor adventures.

Outdoor lifestyle. A lot of RVers enjoy hiking, fishing, biking, wildlife watching, and relaxing outside.

Community. Many RV parks and campgrounds have social sides too, which makes it easy to enjoy meeting travelers, potlucks, game nights, pickleball, clubs, and activities.

Sense of adventure. Even simple trips can feel different from everyday routines, offering new roads, new views, and new places.

Upcoming rallies

Palm Desert, California, October 21 to 26. Enjoy an upscale retreat to Palm Desert in Sunland's Emerald Desert RV Resort. This is a luxury RV resort in the Coachella Valley, near Palm Springs and close to golf, shopping, and desert festivities.

Lake Mead, Nevada, October 28 to November 2. Enjoy an end-of-summer trip just 45 minutes from home, featuring lake-view lots and plenty of fun over Halloween weekend.

SCA RV Club meets 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



To spice up our days at Scrabble, we asked members to wear a T-shirt to express themselves. We couldn't display each one, but here are a few tees and some statements from our members.

Jan R. proudly displays his Scrabble T-shirt because it is purple. He noted that it also takes him back to his eleventh-grade chemistry class. Dave S. wore his T-shirt because he was told to wear one, and several members thought it was the perfect choice for him. Samaria G. wore a T-shirt given to her for her birthday by a former Scrabble member, Pamela. She relishes the Queen tee because it makes her feel proud of founding the Scrabble club in 2001.

Linda J. shared her travel story: "My husband and I travel, and on our first visit to Alaska, I noted the Red Dog Saloon in Juneau. There are a lot of Red Dog Saloons, but as I found out after the visit, the saloon in Juneau is something special. I had to see it on our next visit, which took place in 2025. The Red Dog Saloon serves burgers, sandwiches, and other pub food, as well as local beers. The saloon is popular with tourists, so I decided to become a tourist. The saloon was lively and bustling, and adjacent to it is—what else? —a souvenir shop! I had to have one of those T-shirts that I saw everyone wearing, so I bought one. I now have a T-shirt from the Red Dog Saloon that I cherish because the saloon is a unique, historic Alaskan experience."

Diana F. proudly wore her T-shirt that commemorates our country's 250 years. She wants to share the other ways to



Dave, Jan, and Samaria display their custom style shirts

SEWING & QUILTING

Happy Independence Day! Our club is buzzing with activities. July's schedule shows the Dolly Mommas are meeting on their regular schedule to create awesome doll clothes. Quilts for Charity members are busy making quilts for donation across the Valley, and Stitching Divas are still creating beautiful designs on their embroidery machines.

Machine Applique and Paper Piecing members are having fun, while Featherweight Fanatics continue to meet and sew on their amazing Featherweight machines. Hand-Tastic members meet to teach various hand-sewn skills, and Creative Wall Hangings features members working on all types of decorative wall pieces.

Welcome to Sewing, Fundamentals and Fun helps members learn and fine-tune their sewing skills, and Quilter's Corner Group offers expert guidance to improve quilting techniques. In addition to these group sessions, we conduct specialized workshops one Thursday a month. As you can see, the Sewing & Quilting Club is truly buzzing.

Members of this awesome club enjoy many different opportunities to create, learn, assist, and attend. You can take numerous classes to help you craft items for yourself and friends. You can also gain valuable skills by attending our monthly workshops, where you learn how to sew a project so you can replicate it on your own. Assistance is always welcome in many ways. For instance, you can become a room monitor to help keep our sewing facility open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on weekdays, as well as select hours on weekends.

If you are not a member of this wonderful club yet, stop by when our Sewing Room is open, talk with the monitor on duty, and check the class bulletin board to see the latest monthly events. You can also browse our display windows to view beautiful, mostly one-of-a-kind items. Featured pieces include doll clothes, placemats, children's items, mug mats, microwave bowls, neck purses, dog-walking bags, quilts in a variety of styles and sizes, table runners, aprons for adults and children, and mahjong table mats. Our display rack of doll clothes is truly a beautiful sight.



Charity Group displays quilts created for donation to various organizations across the Las Vegas Valley



Linda shares her travel memories

express this special milestone. A 250-year anniversary is called a semiquincentennial or a quarter-millennial. It marks two-and-a-half centuries, and it is notably used for the United States' 250th anniversary on July 4. She is also still riding high after returning from the 50th anniversary of the first female graduating class of the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs.

Yay! We expressed ourselves. Come join us!

SCA Scrabble meets every Friday from 12:30 to 4 p.m. in the Emerson/Franklin Rooms. Dues are \$10.



Diana marks a double celebration milestone



Shirley displays her intricate Panda quilt

So, what are you waiting for? We hope to see you soon as a member, prospective member, or shopper.

Continue to be safe. This community is the best there is, and we need to stay safe for one another. The club website is saq.scaclub.org. The phone number to the Sewing Room is 702-614-5830. Katrina Heath, club president, can be reached at Alaskak64@gmail.com. She will be more than happy to answer your questions or provide information regarding our Facebook group.

SILVER FOXES SOCIAL AND TRAVEL



Silver Foxes Social & Travel Club was established nearly 13 years ago to foster an adventurous spirit of travel and to enrich social experiences through group activities. Each month we indulge in dining out, touring local sites, and joining others for exciting and varied cultural events. For detailed information regarding club activities, refer to our website at silverfoxes.scaclub.org.

International travel. Make this a memorable year to travel, explore, learn, and understand. Our club members develop

cultural insights and personal enrichment through a variety of international trips, with ongoing additions from our travel professionals. It's more fun to travel with your Silver Foxes friends! Enjoy exotic destinations like Bali, Dubai, Abu Dhabi, Egypt, Singapore, Thailand, South Korea, China, Malaysia, and Vietnam. Kick off the summer with travel to the Best of Switzerland, Zurich to Zurich, or at the end of summer, cruise the vineyards and villages of the Douro Valley wine country in Portugal. These adventures are a few of the great itineraries made available to our members.

Domestic travel. Silver Foxes also provides many social and learning opportunities through a variety of domestic options. Look ahead to September travel with friends to enjoy Wines, Trains, and Redwoods: Pacific Northwest splendor. Later that month, there is an opportunity to travel to the Northeast for the spectacular Globus classic fall foliage experience. Our travel professionals make booking your journey a pleasure. More enticing opportunities are underway. Stay tuned.

Local travel. For those who want enrichment closer to home, the leadership team continues to search for a variety of delightful surprises. Consider meeting with old friends and making new ones at a monthly Foxy Ladies Lunch or Dinner with the Den. There will be outings to local points of interest, Stay and Play activities, and a Lunch 'n Learn program.

Shared interest groups. Shared interest groups are designed to enrich and engage our members. Join us for bunco, book clubs, gourmet clubs, and Silver Wolves, which is focused on the men. Our very popular Wine Appreciation Group partners with local professionals and businesses to bring you educational meetings and wine tasting events.

Membership. Not a member yet? Fill out the online registration form found on our website. On your browser, type silverfoxes.scaclub.org. Afterward, submit cash or a check for \$15 per person to our mailbox in Anthem Center. Checks should be payable to Sun City Anthem Community Association, Inc. Add "Silver Foxes membership" to the memo line. Our website offers a rolling renewal date, meaning annual membership is due for renewal one year after registration and payment.



Special event: Cooking with Pat



Wine Appreciation Group: Wine pairing dinner at Carrabba's



Silver Steppers Election Committee volunteers
Viv Maheu and Tina Freedman

Questions. Check out our club overview on the SCA website. Also, reach us at silverfoxessocialandtravelclub@gmail.com or contact club president Debra Reckling at debrscasilverfoxes@gmail.com.

SILVER STEPPERS



Silver Steppers are showcasing their club spirit by sporting new T-shirts. The black apparel features our Silver Steppers name on the left front chest and a show-stopping silver graphic on the back. They come in a men's classic crewneck style or a ladies' stylish scoop neck version. Our initial order of these lovely shirts has arrived, so look for them on the dance floor this summer and beyond. Cost is \$20 for sizes S-XL, with extended sizes costing a bit more. If you do not have one yet, check your club email for the next ordering opportunity. See the accompanying photos to check out the updated look.



Club treasurer Chris Hawk models the new ladies' T-shirt

Annual club election season will soon be upon us. Our Election Committee this year consists of Tina Freedman and Vivian Maheu. Be sure to extend a warm thank-you to both of these volunteers, pictured in this issue, for helping our club continue to flourish. In September, our members will receive an email with details on how to submit candidate nominations. Our annual Membership and Election meeting will be held Wednesday, November 18 in the Nelson Room, Independence Center.

The current dance class schedule is:

- Sundays, line dancing, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Liberty Center
- Mondays, teacher training, 2:30 p.m., Aerobics Studio, Independence Center
- Tuesdays, ultra-easy beginner line dancing, 12:30 p.m., Liberty Center
- Fridays, line dancing, 11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m., Liberty Center

The leadership team is exploring local venues to plan more fun outings. See you on the dance floor!

Be sure to save the date of Saturday, October 31 for the Silver Steppers Membership Appreciation luncheon to be held in Independence Center. It is Halloween BBQ time, and details will be sent via email.

Our goal is to inspire connection, build self-confidence, and bring excitement to the dance floor through inclusive, fun-filled programs that welcome everyone.

You may join our club for \$10 per calendar year. We offer dance instruction, group trips to local dancing venues, and friendship gatherings. Application forms are available at the kiosk near the Activities office. You may submit your completed application and dues to our club mailbox located in Liberty Center.

If you need additional information or have questions, contact us at scasilversteppers@gmail.com.

SINGLES

Welcome. Are you single and searching for new friends and exciting experiences? Would you prefer to participate in other club events with other singles rather than going alone? We would love for you to join our club meetings to see if you would like to become a member. We are excited for a season filled with friendship and fun.



Monthly meetings. We meet twice a month. Each month, we gather at local restaurants for dinner, lunch, or happy hour. These meetings provide a wonderful opportunity to socialize with old friends and meet new singles. We invite all single SCA residents to join us for refreshments, to socialize, and to learn about our club. Those who are not Singles Club members are always welcome to attend as a guest up to three times before becoming members.

Special events. The Singles Club offers various events throughout the month, along with our dining-out gatherings. One popular activity is meeting weekly for Rummikub games. Other activities such as mini-golf, movie get-togethers, and bowling are also offered. Sign-up sheets are available during our monthly meetings and via email invitations.

Membership. Annual dues are \$10 per person. A membership form can be found at 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. You can also sign up at any of our meetings. Direct any questions to our club president, Gunnar Oehman, at scasinglesclub@gmail.com.

SOFTBALL

Although we play right down the hill at Anthem Hills Park most weeks, the SCA Softball Club sponsors a field trip once or twice a year to play at the nearby Big League Dreams ballpark in central Vegas. We did so again this past May, as you can see from this month's pictures. The facility features about eight complete ballpark replicas of real Major League Baseball stadiums, and this time, we played on the replica of Yankee Stadium.

Since all our club meetups are optional, we were delighted to host 27 active members this year at the venue, divided into three teams for a spirited and fun nine-inning game. The matchup came down to the final frame, with the third team scoring six runs in the bottom of the ninth to eke out a victory. A great time was had by everyone.

While our annual field trip is a special highlight, regular senior slow-pitch softball games are hosted by the SCA Softball Club every Tuesday and Friday morning. Our home field is Anthem Hills Park field #1, located next to the Anthem East Trailhead



Neil Jones lashes a double down the left field line at the Yankee Stadium replica

at 2256 N. Reunion Dr., Henderson, NV 89052. Not only is it a beautiful field, but the surrounding views of Mt. Charleston, Black Mountain, and the Vegas valley make the experience even more spectacular.

We begin with batting practice at 8 a.m., and attendance is completely optional. Games are usually finished by about 10:30 a.m., allowing us to miss the afternoon heat. Once we see how many players show up, we split into two or three equally skilled teams, and everyone chooses their own position.

We play coed underhand slow-pitch softball in a fun and competitive environment. Our members include men and women of all ages, from the late 50s to 80-plus. Most of those who join have not played in decades, so you will be in good company. We welcome players of every skill level, and, most important, we have fun. We hope you will find that old glove, come on out, and give this a try!



Scott Citron is poised to drive the ball deep at the Yankee Stadium replica

Our annual dues of \$20 cover the cost of new softballs for every game played, as well as special events like our ballpark rental. We truly offer an amazing value for anyone who wants to play.

SPOTLIGHT

The Spotlight Club performed its *Little Shop of Magic* show on May 13, 16, and 17. Our audiences were delighted by the sights and sounds of music, magic, and glittering costumes. We truly appreciate the glowing feedback we received from our audiences, and without a doubt, the show was a big success.



Show directors Kathi Sarkin and Bill Hoover



Magic Show ushers prepare to welcome audiences



Time Warp dancers and singers light up the stage

Kudos to our talented show directors, Kathi Sarkin and Bill Hoover, for a superbly directed production. We are deeply grateful to our stage and technical crew members who worked tirelessly behind the scenes, without whom the magic could not have come to life. Special appreciation also goes to our ushers and to all our cast members for their dedicated commitment of time and effort. Thank you all for sharing your unbelievable talent with us. Last but not least, our audiences deserve immense thanks for your unwavering support throughout the years.

STRATEGY GAMES



The Strategy Games Club offers many fun and challenging games to suit players of all skill levels. *Players new to modern board games start off with easy games and advance at their own pace.*

Come check out our games library, where we have over 80 games ranging from easy to complex. Each session, members select games from our cabinets that they wish to play, and others join them. We have something for everyone.

RAILROAD TILES is a quick-playing, tile-laying puzzle game in which players draft tiles depicting roads, rails, and cities to build an interconnected, expanding network over the course of eight rounds.

Each round, players draft one column of tiles from a shared central display and place them on their personal board, aiming to maximize connections and scoring opportunities. The player who takes the fewest tiles gets first pick in the next round, while the one who picks the most drafts last.

Each side of a tile must match its own type. Each round, you can also place car, train, or traveler meeples on roads and rails, earning points for connections between them. The available





meeples-placement actions change from round to round but are previewed, so you can prepare in advance.

Cities that you create, composed of three tiles with buildings, are awarded points. At game end, points are also given for the biggest rectangle with no gaps in each player's area. Points are lost for having too many unfinished roads and rails.

The game has objective tiles you can add and combine for more scoring opportunities and variability. Plus, the game has plenty of expansions (World, Canals, Forest, Desert, more) that add new mechanics and meeples. There are also a bunch of solo challenges to try.



The game is simple in structure, yet every single placement matters because the market offers limited choices. This is a game that's great to play with friends; it requires thinking and strategizing, but it's not overwhelming.

Don't play the same old games over and over ... and over again. VARIETY IS THE SPICE OF LIFE. Come to one of our club's three weekly sessions, and we'll teach you how to play **RAILROAD TILES** or any of our other games. We meet in Liberty Center on Mondays and Saturdays from 1 to 4 p.m., and Thursdays from 5 p.m. on.

Our dues are \$10, 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 congenial 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, email sca-sgc@googlegroups.com, or call Doug Chorey at 425-802-4718.

TABLE TENNIS



The Table Tennis Club is open to all SCA members and their guests, regardless of experience. Table tennis is a fantastic way to stay fit while enjoying a friendly, social environment. Benefits include:

- Improved cardiovascular health
- Increased muscular strength and endurance
- Enhanced joint flexibility and range of motion
- Low-impact exercise suitable for all ages
- Calorie burning and weight management
- Better hand-eye coordination
- Mental focus and quick decision-making



Members working the spring SCA Club Fair:
Jim Wenzl, Mark Kraut, Stacey Phillips, and Amanda Wang

Whether you are a seasoned player or brand new to the sport, you will fit right in. Our club brings together players of every skill level, from seasoned competitors to beginners.

Open play and membership

You are invited to drop in during any of our open play sessions listed below. If you decide to join the fun regularly, membership is only \$10 per year. Applications are available during club hours in Independence Center.

Club schedule – Independence Center

Fitness Room

- Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday: 5:30 to 9 p.m.
- Tuesday: 7 to 9 p.m.
- Saturday and Sunday: 2 to 7 p.m.

Aerobics Room

- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday: 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.

New table tennis robot

All members now have access to a brand-new table tennis robot, and this advanced ball machine helps players practice a wide range of strokes at adjustable speeds. It is available on Mondays in the equipment room from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Come check it out to elevate your game.

Equipment and contact

Most players bring their own paddles and balls, but loaner paddles are available. For more information, or if you are not receiving our newsletters, contact any club officer or email Table.Tennis.Club.SCA@gmail.com.

TENNIS



The Tennis Club welcomes everyone, regardless of experience or skill level. Whether you're picking up a racquet for the first time or have played for years, there's a place for you here. We offer a variety of play groups, drop-in sessions, mixers, and tournaments to suit different interests and abilities, making it easy to get started, improve your game, and stay active.

Our lighted courts include eight at Anthem Center and three at Liberty Center, allowing play until 9 p.m. year-round. In addition to regular play, we host monthly events that blend tennis with social time, creating a strong sense of community. The courts at both Anthem and Liberty Centers have been beautifully resurfaced and look amazing. Players are already enjoying the fresh new playing surfaces.

We continue to expand opportunities to help members build their game. Weekly options include our Saturday Morning Mixer and Tuesday Twilight Tennis, which offer consistent opportunities to connect and play.

Our Member Appreciation Tennis Mixer on May 9 was a wonderful success. Attendees enjoyed fun drills, social play, and



plenty of laughter throughout the event. The tacos were delicious, and the afternoon provided a great opportunity for participants to connect both on and off the court. Thank you to everyone who attended and helped make the event such a memorable gathering.

As we look ahead, the club will begin conversations around recruiting new officers for 2027. We encourage those interested in contributing to the continued success of the organization to consider getting involved. More information will be shared in the coming months.



VETERANS



The Veterans Club is open to all who cherish this country, whether former military or not. Our programs highlight various organizations and how they benefit our veterans, provide information on how to contact veteran organizations in southern Nevada, or feature an upcoming fundraising event and a guest speaker. Annual dues are \$15. For more details, visit the club website at veterans.scaclub.org.

A special visitor at our September meeting is President Abraham Lincoln. There will also be recognition of the quilters who honor veterans at our meetings. Member recognition is in October, followed by our major Veterans Day event for all SCA residents. We are "dark" in July.

Get out and join the party on the Fourth of July, and commemorate a milestone in our country's history as we mark 250 years of a vibrant democracy. Celebrate our shared heritage, and honor those who brought it to us so many years ago.

The Red, White, and Blue BBQ was a great success. Thanks to the more than 200 people who attended and helped us raise funds for 10 organizations to which we contribute each year. Special thanks go to Bob Bush, his wife, Debbie, and those who helped set up, serve the food, and stayed to clean up. SMKD provided the food, and The Terry Anderson Band brought a bit of country to our event.

Circle Saturday, August 1 on your calendar. It's our All You Can Eat Ice Cream Social, held in the Anthem Center Ballroom. At \$10 a ticket, you grab a bowl and a spoon and head to the ice cream table. Our scoopers will fill your bowl with a variety of your favorite flavors, and you can come back for more! There is entertainment too! All proceeds go to the veterans organizations we donate to each year. Tickets are sold each Friday at either Masterpiece Cuisine from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. or the Fitness Center



Veterans Club annual Red, White, and Blue BBQ



Linda Walsh and Caroline Broski at the SCA Club Fair

from 9 to 11 a.m. Tickets are also available at the Activities office. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. for a 6 to 8 p.m. party.

Independence Day Trivia: When did the first organized celebration of Independence Day take place? The very first organized celebration of Independence Day took place on July 4, 1777, while the Revolutionary War was still raging. They celebrated with a 13-gun salute, bonfires, and fireworks.

Congress made the Fourth of July an unpaid holiday in 1870. It didn't become a paid federal holiday until 1938.

The menu back then? Not hot dogs, hamburgers, or potato salad and chips. They feasted on New England poached salmon, peas, and tiny green potatoes.

WOMEN'S



Making A Difference

The Sun City Anthem Women's Club fosters meaningful community relationships, provides charitable contributions to southern Nevada nonprofit organizations, and creates a spirit of camaraderie, friendship, outstanding entertainment, and informational opportunities for its members. The 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!

We had a fantastic gala on May 15. Our entertainment for the event was the Michael Jackson Tribute Experience. Fallynne Lewing and her dance troupe were very talented, and Fallynne definitely had Michael Jackson's moves down pat. She also had two special guest performers: Bobby Wilson (he was able to come after all)



Ladies at our gala luncheon



Michelle and Fallynne Lewing accepting our charity check



Our hat contest winners: Janice Sexton (left) for the purchased category and Noreen Collins (right) for the created category

and Denita Asberry. Both of these entertainers were mentors to Fallynne since she was 12 years old. Bobby Wilson recently had a sold-out show at Freedom Hall. The entertainers had many of our ladies not only dancing in their chairs, but also in the sides of the room.

We raised over \$3,200 for the May charity, the Autism Coalition of Nevada. The director, Michelle Lewing, pointed out that the money raised would be used to train first responders on how to interact with autistic individuals in stressful situations.

Our ladies dressed in their spring best, and many wore hats. Some of these ladies entered our hat contest. The two category winners were Janice Sexton for Purchased and Noreen Collins for Created, who noted that she and her friend worked on the hat she wore. They each received a \$50 gift card.

The Decorations Committee again outdid themselves with their table decorations, which included bedazzled paper dress magnets for the ladies to take home. A big thank-you goes to all the committees, volunteers, Rich, and the Activities Audio/Visual team, who helped to set up this fun event. Great job done! Masterpiece Cuisine catered a very tasty plated lunch, too.

Hope you are enjoying our lazy days of summer. While our luncheons are taking the season off, our Special Events ladies have fun activities planned. Last month, our ladies went to the South Point casino for an afternoon of bingo, which is always a favorite event—one of our attendees even won \$1,200 last year!

Clubs

This month, the ladies will be making bracelets, and next month brings another favorite: line dancing.

Our Charities Committee is also active during the summer with Service Days. In May, the ladies spent a couple of hours cleaning donated children's books, making sure they weren't written in or damaged. These books will be given to local children. After they finished, a few continued on to a voluntary lunch at Masterpiece Cuisine. Look out for future Service Days. These smaller events are great opportunities to make new friends.

The club is active and fun while supporting small local charities. Join us.

WOODCHIPS



When we speak of pet ownership, by far, the majority of owners are either dog owners, cat owners, or both. A smaller segment of pet owners includes those folks who own birds, and these bird owners really love their feathered friends.

One of Woodchips members who happens to own a few feathered friends is Brigitte Leth. Brigitte immigrated from Germany in 1967, and she always owned dogs and cats. But one day she found



Several pieces of wood to be turned into toys

VIVA VOLUNTEERS – TODAY FOR TOMORROW

Volunteer with SCA and help make a difference in our community!

There are a few ways to apply:

- Complete the online application on the Volunteer Program page at scahoa.com.
- Pick up a paper application from the Membership Office. You can drop off the completed form in the Volunteer Interest mailbox at the entrance to the Fitness Center or email it to volunteer@scacai.com.



a sparrow that needed help to get back to health. Brigitte kept it inside until she was able to release it outside, but after flying away, it came back to her. So began her love for birds.

After many years of raising and selling parrots, Brigitte retired and currently owns two large macaws named Georgie and Bo, and an Eclectus parrot named The Professor. When you own a macaw, you literally may have a companion for life, as these magnificent birds can live to be 80-plus. An Eclectus parrot is no slouch when it comes to life span, as they can live to be 50 years old. A unique feature of the Eclectus species of parrots is that males are bright green with yellow-orange beaks, while the females are a deep red and blue with black beaks.

After moving to SCA in 2016 and joining Woodchips in 2023, Brigitte began making bird toys for her buddies. These are small blocks of wood that are then painted with different colors of bird-safe paint and hung on a rope for the birds to chew, sharpening their beaks.

Her birds can go through these toys pretty quickly, so making them at the shop is not only very economical, but it also makes Brigitte happy to do so.



Georgie is enjoying the finished product

SCA Pool News & Rules



SCA's gorgeous outdoor pools are the place to be! While enjoying this amenity, here are some important things to remember:

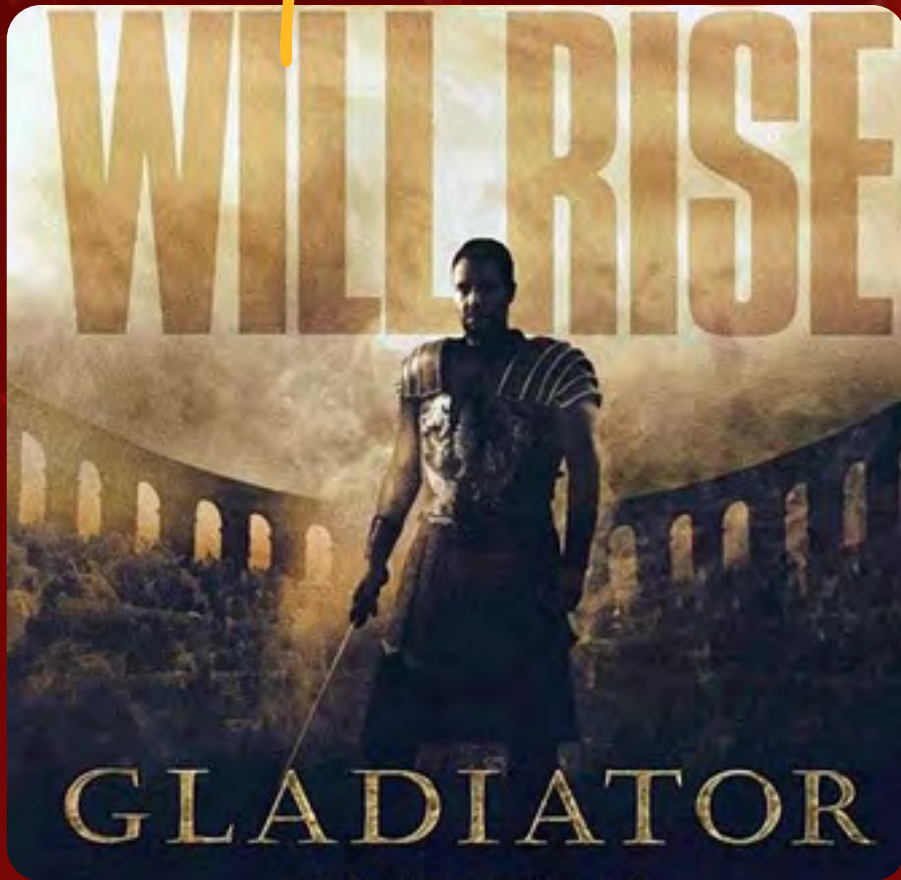
- Hours are 6 a.m. to 9 p.m.
- Be respectful of others.
- No alcohol, glass containers allowed in the pool areas.
- Children are permitted in the Anthem Center aquatic facilities from 10 a.m. to noon in the outdoor pool and noon to 2 p.m. in the indoor pool.
- Appropriate swimwear is required.
- All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

Note: If lightning is detected within a six-mile radius, all outdoor pools, spas and deck areas will be cleared until no strikes have been recorded in that radius for 30 minutes.



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