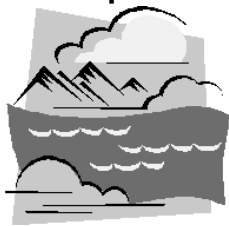


April 2008

Ventana Lakes Property Owners Association



# Ventana Views

## WE HAVE SEVEN!

AND APRIL IS GOING TO BE A GRAND MONTH, FULL OF FUN!

Community News from Sue Alandar, Board President

### ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS ELECTION RESULTS and TERMS

Darrell Smith	1062 Votes	3 years
Lori Norris	875 Votes	3 years
Moe Frenette	841 Votes	2 years
Joe McCord	798 Votes	1 year
Richard Matsuishi	753 Votes	1 year
Tony Fiore	416 Votes	1 year
Bruce Parmenter	339 Votes	Not elected

For those who have asked: I have two years left on my term.

Really great news: The election committee received a total of 905 good ballots (they could not count the additional 19 that were spoiled). We can always hope for 100% turnout, but 53.4% is darn good!

The election committee reported there were 868 absentee ballots, and 40 people voted in person. There were only 19 spoiled ballots. There were five write-in candidates: Bill Kietel (1), Howard Penn (1), Rudy Simon (4), Chuck Schumm (6), and Tom Woods (2).

I want to express my thanks to Bruce Parmenter, who stepped up to the plate for his community. I hope you, and many more like you, are willing to do that next year, and the year after.

**For most of us, our home is the biggest single investment we have.** And the value of that investment is directly tied to the value of our community. So taking an active role makes good common sense as well as good community sense!

### OFFICERS and MEETINGS

The new Board held its Organizational Meeting on March 8, and elected its officers. I was honored to once again be chosen as President. Our other officers also remain the same as for the interim Board, by unanimous vote: Darrell Smith is Vice-President, Moe Frenette is Treasurer, and Lori Norris is Secretary.

We also established our schedule for monthly Board meetings for the remainder of the year. We did this after discussing with the homeowners present whether we should continue with the rotation schedule established by prior Boards, which they felt we should. We already held our first business meeting on March 19.

#### Planning for the Future

At the March 19 meeting, we scheduled two additional meetings in May, for the purpose of identifying all the things that need to be done for and in Ventana Lakes. We hope to prioritize each project and establish a plan to start addressing the projects. We hope you will join us for at least part of the time to give us your input on what you feel needs to be addressed by the Board to better Ventana Lakes. The dates set for these **first Planning Meetings** are:

**Monday, May 12 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

**Wednesday, May 14, 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

Both meetings will be in the Yacht Club.

The intent is to develop a plan available to the community as a whole, and to hold quarterly regular meetings for the purpose of measuring our progress and determining if we are on track. This

would give continuity to future Boards and to Ventana Lakes as a whole...added value to our community!

**Meeting on New CC&R's**

Additionally, we scheduled an open meeting with the CC&R Committee to be held on **Monday, April 21 at 1:00 p.m.** in the Yacht Club.

Some members of the community had questions about this committee during the election period. I would like everyone to understand that while they have worked on this project for 4 ½ years, the committee was ready to bring the draft revisions to the community in September of 2005 but were told by the attorney to hold pending outcome of the Shores litigation.

Since then they have continued work to incorporate further changes resulting from legislation and suggestions from the community.

The committee has now presented it's draft to the Board for review. Board members are reviewing the changes and will discuss them in open meeting on April 21, as well as the methods that may be used to obtain approval of the 75% of Association membership necessary to change our governing CC&R's.

Our neighbors who have spent countless hours on this marathon project are:

**Judy Mabie  
Don Holtzee  
Lois Owen**

**Paul Ettinger  
Ron Congrove  
Vada Bowers**

**Schedule of Regular Open Business Meetings**

All meetings are held in the Yacht Club.

April 16, 2008	Wednesday	6:30pm
May 10, 2008	Saturday	9:30am After Coffee
June 18, 2008	Wednesday	1:30pm
July 16, 2008	Wednesday	6:30pm
August – no meeting scheduled		
September 13, 2008	Saturday	9:30am After Coffee
October 15, 2008	Wednesday	1:30pm
November 19, 2008	Wednesday	6:30pm
December 13, 2008	Saturday	9:30am After Coffee

# NEW OATH OF OFFICE

Manager Jack Donovan swore in ALL SEVEN Board members on March 8, because the previous Board had adopted a new Oath of Office for the new Board, which was provided to all elected members upon their election to read before the swearing-in. Because this is your Board's oath to the community, it is being printed here for you. The oath was sworn to and signed by each elected Board member.

**OATH OF OFFICE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF VENTANA LAKES**

I swear that as a member of the Board of Directors, I will conduct the business of the corporate Association of Ventana Lakes with honesty, integrity and care, and I will at all times represent the people who are the Association and consider the welfare of the people who are the Association.

I will announce if any business of the Board may present a conflict of interest and will withdraw from discussion or voting on such business.

I will address the issues that concern my community with fairness, equity and applied judgment, and will not be drawn into conflicts of personalities.

I will follow and uphold the laws governing my country, my state, and the governing documents of Ventana Lakes.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE - PEOPLE NEEDED!

The Board is looking for volunteers to serve on the new Ventana Lakes Finance Committee. We know we have the skill out there – please submit your written request to serve, with a little information about your expertise, to Community Manager Jack Donovan, for the Board. Thank you!

## ADVISORY GROUPS

The Board also wishes to begin establishment of Advisory Groups, as was discussed often during the election. If you are interested in starting a group for your neighborhood, PLEASE contact JOE McCORD. You can drop a note in the office or e-mail him at [joemccord@cox.net](mailto:joemccord@cox.net).

## SPECIAL THANKS TO THE ELECTION COMMITTEE

Before I go a line further, I want to thank the Election Committee for their hard work. This is the first year I have been involved enough to get a real glimpse into how much thought and work really goes into what they do for Ventana Lakes, and how careful they are to make sure everything is done carefully and without prejudice. If anyone thinks otherwise, I hope you will step up and offer your help next year so you can see this process first-hand.

**Pat and Dave Bracken and Rose Ann and Carl Fiebig** are the Election Committee's heart. They made sure I was aware of each step they took while they established schedules, procedures, lists and checklists, and details that had my head spinning, while they coordinated the work of many volunteers (with alternates in case of no-shows) assigned to (separately) do the following jobs:

- Meet with the Board and community to establish new Election rules and publicity information
- Draw for candidate positions on panel and ballots
- Prepare for and handle candidate interviews
- Prepare the envelopes for mailing, and send out the ballots and information
- Verify mail-in ballots by envelope number (envelopes were verified, not opened)
- Greet people at the door
- Man the ballot box on election day
- Answer questions
- Verify voter names and hand out ballots
- Count ballots (NOW the envelopes are opened and ballots counted – after the polls are closed.)

And here is the name of each and every other volunteer who showed up for this tedious, absolutely necessary and invaluable duty!

Nancy Kimberlin  
Betty Schumm  
Lyle Riemer  
Carl Mitchell  
Tony DeMont  
Evelyn DeMont  
Shirley Galligan  
Lois Kay Bacon  
Don Holtzee  
Ron Wisniewski  
Kay Little

Candi Wisniewski  
Kathy Kopec  
Nancy Greenland  
Roy Greenland  
Marge Bricker  
Judy Howell  
Janis McLean  
Harold Burgett  
Jim Howell  
Don McLean

## SAFETY IDEA

**Roger Gordon** suggests (in response to the break-ins Ventana has suffered in past weeks) that motion detection lights be installed on your home, especially at side entrance doors and at the rear of the home. Also a simple timer that will turn on an interior light. Hmm, sounds logical, doesn't it?

I am happy to report that Leslie Smock's 16 x 16, easily folded **map of Ventana Lakes' streets** is available in the office. The cost is only \$2.50. *Voila!*

**A CORRECTION.** I did in the January *Ventana Views* erroneously refer to the Gardens as being under the condominium laws instead under the Planned Community laws. The Gardens is properly classified as "cluster residential use." Since at least one homeowner believes that my error could be harmful to the community, I am issuing this retraction and statement that it was my personal error!

Manager Jack Donovan says Several Residents have requested that we insert a reminder in our e-mails and newsletters about **the lost & found and recycling items**. Remember to call the Management Office if you find or have lost an item, 623-566-6001. Please remember that #1 or #2 printed symbol on a container means it is recyclable. Remove any caps as they are not recyclable

**That's all the news I have...**until next month, but there is plenty of action for April! March was GREAT...I went to the "Soup Night" and ate the best soup ever, and what a great turnout we had! Tina's got a lot of fun stuff coming, and don't forget our **fifth Annual Ventana Lakes Dog Parade** (for all my fellow dog people) on April 19.

One thing – I hate to be negative, but this is a **PET PEEVE!!** – is the complaints I get about dog owners NOT picking up after their dogs. **THAT IS AWFUL!!** Our pets are our responsibility. If we don't pick up after them, we are irresponsible pet owners and don't deserve to have them. **Either take a bag with you when you go for a walk, or leave them at home.**

Okay, I'll get off my soapbox now. Enjoy life – and our beautiful Ventana!

--Sue Alandar

*The following is being proposed for adoption by the Board at the May Board meeting. The Board is asking for input from the Community before acting on the policy. Please submit your comments in writing to:*

[ventanacommunications@cox.net](mailto:ventanacommunications@cox.net)

OR

**DROP THEM OFF AT THE MANAGEMENT OFFICE**

### **PROPOSED NEW POLICY 2008 - 01 RULES OF PRACTICE FOR THE BOARD.**

A. The Board shall at all times comply with ARS § 33-1804, conducting all Association business in open meeting unless:

1. Receiving legal advice from an attorney.
2. Discussing issues surrounding litigation.

A possibility or expectation that the Association may be sued because of an action or contemplated action by the Board shall not be reason for the Board to discuss business or take any action in a closed session. The membership of the Association has the right to speak and be heard before the Association is committed to litigation, unless legal counsel, upon being given all of the known facts in the matter, provides reasonable argument otherwise to the Board.

3. Personal matters involving residents or other individuals, or employee or contractor job performance, pursuant to ARS § 33-1804.

B. Board members may distribute information to other Board members but shall not discuss Association business by e-mail, telephone, or in any manner other than in an open meeting.

C. Board members shall not circumvent public discussion by splintering the quorum and having separate or serial discussions by meeting in person, by telephone, electronically, or through other means to discuss a topic that is or may be presented to the Board membership for a decision.

D. The Board shall not make any verbal agreements regarding its own operations. Any internal policies for Board operation shall be formally adopted by the Board and made available for review by all Association members.

E. Except in case of emergency, the Board shall post an agenda for all open meetings no less than 48 hours prior to the meeting. The agenda shall list the subject matter to be discussed by the Board. At a minimum, the agenda shall be posted at the Management Office, Recreation Center, and the Yacht Club, and sent by e-mail from the Management Office to the normally-maintained e-mail list of Association members. When necessary to avoid an additional Board meeting, an addendum to a regular open meeting agenda may be added and posted up to 24 hours in advance of the regular open meeting by the same method.

F. An "emergency" meeting of the Board shall be allowed only if it is necessary that the Board take action to protect the health, safety, or welfare of an individual Association member or the Association at large, or the assets of the Association. In the event that an emergency meeting is necessary, the Board shall explain to the Association membership the reasons and action taken as soon thereafter as reasonably possible/

G. The Board shall establish its regular schedule of Board meetings at the organizational meeting held within ten days of the annual meeting in March of each year. The Board may change the schedule of individual meetings with a minimum of 48 hours notice to the Association membership.

H. Any member of the Association may place a subject on the agenda of a regularly-scheduled Board meeting by submitting it to the Board President no less than ten calendar days before the meeting. The President may at his discretion hold the item until the next regularly-scheduled meeting.

I. Before adopting policies and procedures which affect the rights, duties, or privileges of any member or members of the Association, the Board shall:

1. Publish the proposed policy or procedure in the newsletter and allow at least 30 days for written comment from Association members to be provided to a designated person;

2. Publish in the same newsletter the time, date and location at which Association members may give oral comments on the proposed policy or procedure;

3. In an open meeting, the Board shall consider and evaluate the issues raised for and against the proposed policy or procedure by the Association membership before making any final decision on the policy or procedure.

J. The Board shall maintain minutes of its open meetings reflecting the content and subject matter discussed so that future readers will be able to understand what decisions were made and the reasoning behind the decisions.

### **Comments from Moe Frenette VLPOA Treasurer**

At the Board meeting on March 19, 2008 a home owner noted the deficits reported in the Colby financials. It is true that deficits were noted in those financials and the reason for this is the past practice of former Treasurers to over fund the reserves with sources of income that actually belonged in operations. Those types of funds were transfer fees from new owners, cell tower rental income, other rental income and reserve interest income. This process resulted in over funding reserves and under funding operations. As of 1/01/08, I directed Colby to

correct this process by reporting all income as operation income. The only exception is that reserve interest is still considered reserve income.

The certified audit for 2005 reassigned the inappropriate reserve income to operations which resulted in an operating surplus for 2005. The review engagement for 2006 also reassigned the inappropriate reserve income to operations which resulted in an operating surplus.

The 2007 financial statements will be restated as a result of the 2007 certified audit and the deficit will change.

I am confident that the only "wrongdoing" is the over funding reserves from 2005 through 2007 and that all funds were accounted for. This past process though misleading has put VLPOA in a good reserve posture. I can assure you that through recent corrections the 2008 Colby financial statements will accurately reflect operation income.

## FROM THE LAKES

Tim Willems

We have finished cleaning and relocating the minnow habitats on all the lakes. A huge "thank you" to the volunteers on the Lakes Committee! We also had some non-members, like Don Carmichael, who volunteered his time to help us. Gary Penney on Lake #2 donated house water to run the pressure washers. Don Ward loaned his pressure washer after one of ours malfunctioned. All the guys deserve a big thank you, because if the habitats are not cleaned the new minnow "fry" could not get in or out of the minnow habitats.

You may have noticed a scum floating on the lake surfaces. The scum is new pollen and old acacia leaves falling from the trees. Our grass carp use some of this for food and generally keep the surface pretty clear.

We are recycling some of our sterile grass carp through attrition and nature. We need to put in some younger carp to replace the natural process. The younger carp need to be about an 8 – 10" size to compete against other predatory fish and birds. We purchase these through the Arizona Game and Fish Department. We can only stock sterile carp by law. The bass, sunfish, and catfish reproduce naturally, that being the reason for the fish habitats, to protect the young (fry) during normal hatching season.

All boat owners that use their boats on the lakes need an annual inspection and a license. If you need an inspection call the office and it will be

scheduled from there. If you store a water vehicle on the shore it is to be stored out of view from the lakes or neighbors according to our CC&R's. All boats on the lakes should be free of internal water and trash.

We always need volunteers for the Lakes Committee. We meet once a month on the last Thursday to discuss pertinent information.

## Maintenance Committee

At the recent Volunteer Recognition Dinner, I was presented an award for volunteering to serve our community.

This award was earned by the entire Maintenance Committee, who are always ready to complete needed projects. Without this group of people, this community would have to pay a large sum of money to get the same benefits.

On behalf of all of the Maintenance volunteers, we thank the Board of Directors.

Dave Bracken, Chairman

## BLOCK WATCH NEWS

### Tips To Protect Your Property

Crime is relatively low in Ventana Lakes, but in late February we did have two break-ins in one night around 10:00pm in the Coves area. The property owners were not home, and all lights were off in the two homes. A heavy object was thrown through the sliding-glass door in both homes to gain entry. Items were stolen, and police reports were filed. So what can we do at our homes to help keep our property safe? Here are some tips.

Support Block Watch by getting to know your neighbors and by watching each other's property. Get to know each other's habits, comings-and-goings, when your neighbor is out of town, and so on. Watch each other's property working together to deter crime, and become the eyes and ears for the police department.

Residents working together and with the Peoria Police Department help to deter crime. Know your neighbors, and get to know your Block Watch Captain. If you do not have a Block Watch Captain and want to volunteer, please call Chuck Schumm at 825-4517. Captains are listed on the Block Watch web page. Go to [www.vlopa.org](http://www.vlopa.org) and click on the Block Watch link. You will find a Captains List, recently reported Crime Incidents, and much more.

If you see or hear anything suspicious on your street, call the Peoria Police Department non-emergency number at (623) 773-8311 and ask them to investigate. If

you hear any noise that could be a break-in at a neighbor's home like glass breaking, shouting, a scream for help, or a loud crash call 9-1-1 immediately. Please do not get involved in the situation yourself. If this is a crime being committed you could get badly hurt if you walk into a crime scene.

Burglars will only spend a few seconds trying to break into a home. Good locks and good neighbors who watch out for each others property can be big deterrents to crime.

Do not allow newspapers and flyers to accumulate in a neighbors' driveway or at the front door if they are out of town. Please pick them up.

Many burglaries are a result of thieves entering through unlocked doors or windows. Always keep doors and windows closed and locked. Don't open your doors to strangers. Keep backyard gates locked.

Keep your garage doors closed and locked. If you need to open your garage door for ventilation open it no more than 3 inches to prevent a person from sliding under it. Keep the door between your home and your garage locked.

Park vehicles in your garage, and keep them locked with windows closed even when parked in the garage. If you must park outside, park in the driveway, close all windows, and lock all doors to your vehicle. Do not leave valuables in vehicles. Use a locking gas cap so no one can siphon your gasoline.

Keep automobile keys with the key fob on your bedside table at night, and if you hear any strange noise that might indicate an intruder push the panic button on the key fob to start beeping your automobile horn.

Secure sliding windows and doors by using a piece of wood or PVC pipe cut to fit into the slider track to help stop the slider from opening.

Install outside lights and keep them on at night. Install motion sensing outdoor lights that turn-on when someone approaches, or lights with photocells that turn-on when it is dark and turn-off at daylight.

When away from home create the illusion that you are home by using timers that will turn inside lights on and off in different areas of your home after dark. Turning on a radio or TV also helps create the illusion that someone is home.

Pickup your mail every day, especially now with the government rebate checks coming soon. Stop your mail or have a neighbor pick it up if you are gone for more than a day.

## **ITALIAN- AMERICAN CLUB OF VENTANA LAKES**

Darrell Smith, President, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. and welcomed everyone after which the Pledge

of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance. He also welcomed some new members. Sadly Darrell informed us that Anna Freda, Rosemary Keely's mother, has passed way.

Darrell mentioned that tickets were being sold for the April 3rd meeting. The April meeting is open to members and their guests and will include a Chicken Dinner as well as entertainment by singer, MaryJo Johnson. The fee for this meeting is \$5.00 for members and \$7.00 for their Guests. If you haven't already gotten your ticket(s), please call RoseAnn Fiebig at 376-9037.

Florence Cardinale mentioned that she's working on a bus trip for the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of April. More details to come.

Darrell called table numbers and everyone enjoyed sampling the appetizers and desserts brought by the members. We then had the pleasure of being entertained by our Ventana Lakes residents, Bud Hesterman & Eileen Gawlowski who sang a medley of some old favorite songs. After that Ken Harper, Ventana Lakes resident ballroom dancer had some of his resident students give a demonstration of the West Coast Swing and the Waltz. He also asked the audience to join in learning a waltz step.

We honored three birthdays this month: Jerry Almeida, Jerry Caldarelli, and Lou Venturini. There were no anniversaries. Then it was time for the 50/50 drawing during which seven prizes were drawn.

There were 93 members in attendance. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

## **FLYING SOLOS**

The Flying Solo's Club meet at the Yacht Club the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm. We discuss and plan future events, enjoy a speaker or other entertainment, dessert or snacks are provided and you bring your own beverage.

We also have a social every fourth Thursday at 4:30 pm at a chosen restaurant. Our April social will be held at Mike's Rigatoni on Bell Road and 83<sup>rd</sup> Ave. Please join us for fun, food and drink. Meet new People who will become great friends. For questions call Miriam Snider at 376-9301 or Yvonne Krueger 566-3353.

## **NEW GROUP FOR QUILTERS MEETING IN THE VENTANA CRAFT ROOM MONDAY EVENINGS**

Do you work or have other commitments during the day but would still like to meet people that quilt? There will be a new group for quilters meeting in the Ventana Craft Room Monday evenings at 6:00 pm. Bring your machine or hand work along or any projects you are working on. We will chat and sew, share ideas or come up with some

new ones. If you are new to quilting this would be a great group for you also. If you are interested in meeting with this group please contact Carol at 623-695-7707. There will be no charge for this group and all are welcome.

## NEWS OF THE VENTANA LAKES SHALOM CLUB

We continued our dinner meeting schedule with a well-attended group dinner at the Line Thai restaurant in March.

Plans for a special Passover meeting/celebration later in April have not been finalized as of this writing. Members will be advised by e-mail or phone of these plans as soon as a schedule of events is developed.

If you have any questions please feel free to call Eileen Grossman at 623-566-0006 or Trudy Fleishman at 623-566-1970.

New members are always welcome. If you are thinking of joining our group or would like to find out more about us, Eileen or Trudy would love to hear from you.

Shalom and good health to all.

## LINE DANCING!

SUMMER is here and so is Ventana Lakes Line Dance Class!! Audrey teaches on Mondays and Wednesdays in the Yacht club from 8:00 AM-10:00AM. The first hour is beginning instruction- nice and specific for those who are just starting or need a refresher. The second hour is more advanced- but those of you who are just starting, don't worry, you will catch onto the more advanced moves quickly too! Price is \$4.00 whether you stay for one hour or two. Come join us. Questions? Call Audrey Fulcher at 623-566-2667.

## TAI CHI

Tai Chi for Beginners will continue into April on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>. & 29<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm on Tuesdays at the Yacht Club. Call Mr. Kenneth Harper at 977-9179 for details. The regular Tai Chi classes will continue to meet on Monday at 8:00 am, Wednesday at 7:00 am and Friday at 5:00 pm in the Card Room.

## BALLROOM DANCING

Classes are held each Wednesday at 7:00 pm at the Yacht Club. If you would like information please call Mr. Kenneth Harper at 977-9179.

## LADIES BUNCO

Ladies, Join us for an evening of Bunco! This is a no skill dice game which provides a fun night and a chance to win

some prize money. Cost is \$5 per person, and we share delicious snacks brought by the players.

Games are played on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm. Next game is April 9th.

For more information, please call

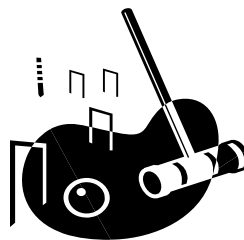
Eileen DeMeloitz at 566-2095.

## VENTANA LAKES BRIDGE CLUB

April Coordinator will be Kay Beahr, any questions please call 505-3037. Bridge Club meets on Thursday afternoons at 1:00pm in the Card Room.

## VENTANA LAKES CROQUET CLUB

Most of you played this fun filled non-strenuous sporty game when you were kids. Come on all you men and women and RELIVE those fun days with your neighbors. We are setting up new days and times during the week. If you're not sure if you want to play, then just come out and watch us have fun and you'll want to be a regular player too. We have a really great Croquet court that has real beautiful maintained grass to play on. Call 602 - 920-2310 if you are interested or have any questions.



## APRIL ACTIVITIES

### POKER NIGHT TOURNAMENT SATURDAY APRIL 5<sup>TH</sup>

7:00 pm at the Yacht Club. B.Y.O.B. Snacks. Prizes to the TOP PLAYERS. Tickets \$10.00 per person.

Tickets will be available till April 3rd at the Management Office. So join us for a fun night!!



### BULK SHREDDING

Will be held at the Yacht Club on Wednesday, April 9<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am to 11:00am. Bring all your items that need shredding and we will set it up like a drive thru or if you want to you can park your car and walk up and place items in the bins!! I'm not exactly sure how this will work and I really thought the AG's Office would give me better instructions but that's not the case SO WERE WING'IN IT!! Thanks Tina

### MAZATZAL CASINO

Thursday, April 10<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> FREE!!! You owe it to yourself, to check out this UPGRADED

casino, restaurant and buffet. Bus leaves the Yacht Club at 7:45 A.M. **You must sign up at the Management Office.** In the past, the buses filled up quickly, so do not wait. **You receive \$10 upon arrival.** If your birthday is in that month you receive an additional \$10. Blackjack, Slots, Keno, Bingo at 12:45 P.M. and Poker on Thursdays. Ask for senior discount in the restaurant. **Return bus leaves at 3:00 P.M.** On the return bus you receive a free bottle of water and a scratch off ticket valued between \$4 and \$10 to be used on a future trip.

### FREE CLASS FROM DIRECT DIABETES SUPPLY

On Thursday, April 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am in the Yacht Club. Learn about signs, symptoms, causes, and how you can manage your health. Hear how diabetes has exploded in the U.S. and how this may affect you or your loved ones

### COFFEE SOCIAL 9:00 A.M. COFFEE FORUM 9:30

Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at the Yacht Club. Tickets on sale at the Management Office for \$1.50 up until Friday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at noon or you may buy one at the door for \$ 2.00.

## VENTANA LAKES SPRING VARIETY SHOW "ON THE ROAD TO CALIFORNIA"

Friday, April 11<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup> 2008  
7:00pm to 10:00 pm held at the Yacht Club.

*Directed by Marcia De Pesa and Phyllis Reed.*

Travel along with us thru the Southern States, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, New Mexico, Arizona and into CALIFORNIA.

Each night at the end of the show, a Quilt will be given away, made by Marcia DePesa. Just sign your name and phone number on the back of your ticket to be entered into the drawing. You might be **THE LUCKY WINNER!!** Tickets are **\$5.00 per person** and will be available at the Management Office till Friday April 11<sup>th</sup>!!

**We Thank You For Coming, Enjoy The Show and Have A Wonderful Evening!!**



## SOLAR ENERGY SEMINAR

On Wednesday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm at the Yacht Club.  
Come and see if you can save some money by using the SUN!! .

## LAUGHLIN TURNAROUND

Thursday, April 17<sup>th</sup> \$10.00 per person pick-up time is 6:15 am at the Yacht Club!!! Edgewater Casino has free buffet for breakfast or lunch or \$5.00 off of dinner with player's club card. Movies on the bus, 9 other Casino's on the strip so what more could you ask for!! Sign up for a fun day trip!! Any questions please call Pat Blattner at 566-4914.

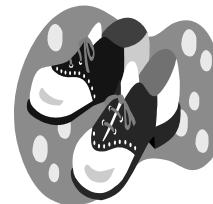
## QUALITY SHIPS & TRIPS TRAVEL FEST

Don't miss Ventana Lakes Quality Ships & Trips Travel Fest. Join us for fun, food and PRIZES!! On Thursday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am at the Yacht Club. Sponsored by Promenade Travel Services. Any questions please call Promenades Main Office at 623-977-8800.



## SPRING SOCK HOP WITH THE DALLAS DAN BAND

Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm will be held at the Yacht Club. Tickets are \$5.00 per person and will be on sale at the Management Office till Thursday April 17<sup>th</sup>!! This will sell out so get your tickets fast!! (BYOB) and don't forget to dress up and do your hair and be ready to hula hoop!! PLEASE PARTICIPATE that's what makes it fun!!



## Our Ventana Lakes Annual

**Dog Parade**  
Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup>  
at 1:00pm at "Our Park" at 109<sup>th</sup> and Beardsley  
**FUN! PRIZES!  
FREE!**



(This is Jeter - Judy Howell's prizewinner from last year!)

## TWS FINANCIAL SEMINAR

On Thursday, April 24<sup>TH</sup> from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm they provide dinner after the seminar. Please call Multi Financial Securities Corp. at 623-748-3920 to R.S.V.P. we had them here a couple months ago and they had great information so don't miss this one!!

## KARAOKE WITH DARRELL AND JACK!

Come join a lot of talented Ventana Lakes neighbors at the Yacht Club at 6:30 p.m.

Friday, April 25<sup>th</sup>. It's only \$2.00 per person (you can pay at the door or buy tickets at the Management Office). You'll need to bring your own beverage and snacks. See you there!



## FASHION SHOW!

Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at 2:00

pm in the Yacht Club. Tickets are \$1.00 per person and available at the Management Office. This event is sponsored by The Dress Barn and it's going to be a blast. Everyone one who attends will receive a 10% discount card. Refreshments will be served. See you there!!!



## COMING UP IN MAY MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



## CELEBRATION!!

Here at VENTANA LAKES  
On Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm  
Held in the Yacht Club

Catered Mexican Dinner & Mexican Dancers!!!  
Dancers will start at 4:00pm and after they finish we have a little surprise for you from one of our

residents here in Ventana Lakes Barbara Dabul performing South of the Border.

Dinner will be served at 5:45pm and is being catered by Caramba Fresh Mexican Food the menu will be Taco's Beef or Chicken, Cheese Enchilada's, Rice and Beans, Chips and Salsa. Tickets are \$10.00 per person so get to the Management Office fast because this will sell out. Tickets go on sale April 1<sup>st</sup>.



## WESTBROOK VILLAGE GOLF CLUB

Dennis Galvin from Westbrook Village Golf Course will be here at Ventana Lakes on Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am at the Yacht Club. Come enjoy coffee and donuts and have all your questions answered regarding the Golf Course at Westbrook Village.

## Broken Your New Year's Resolution Already?

## WHAT IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN YOUR CONTINUED GOOD HEALTH??

LEARN 'YOUR INSIDE STORY' and monitor your health annually. Health Screens is returning to Ventana Lakes Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2008. Whether it's your first time or your annual screening, you'll be glad you did! Screening choices are: Stroke Screen(\$50), Aneurysm(\$45), Heart(\$45), Circulation(\$45), Osteoporosis(\$40), Kidney(\$45), Liver(\$45), Gallbladder(\$45), Thyroid(\$45) Screens, and Cholesterol / Glucose blood screen(\$35).

Ultrasound identifies plaque, fluid, stones, cysts, nodules, masses and more. Order one test or a group of tests: 4 tests-\$130 / 6 ultrasound only-\$150 BEST VALUE 9 tests-\$215.

NO RADIATION! Order any 4 or more tests and add the cholesterol / glucose screen for an additional \$35

Professional staff, friendly atmosphere, quality results, same day report. Call 480-854-4735 to ask questions or to schedule your appointment. Browse the web for more information at [www.healthscreens.net](http://www.healthscreens.net) Health Screens – educating and assisting people to live healthier lives since 1986 ARE YOU AT RISK for a preventable illness?

How do you know?

Less than seventy cents a day could save your life!

(Same service, same quality you have come to know and expect) You are invited to learn "Your inside Story"

through a sophisticated health screening program available on May 9<sup>th</sup> right here at the Yacht Club.

Health Screens is providing this opportunity to receive early warning for risk of stroke, coronary disease, aneurysm, cancer, peripheral artery disease, diabetes and other preventable illnesses. A choice of 10 tests - mostly ultrasound imaging - are available. Start off with an appointment for a valuable personal health baseline, and then commit to monitoring annually. The element of time is critical in catching diseases early. Less than seventy cents a day may save your life. An immediate report is provided including original ultrasound pictures, blood flow rates, heart readings, bone density T-score and blood results.

Visit or call today for more information or an appointment: [www.healthscreens.net](http://www.healthscreens.net) / 480-854-4735.

(Screening codes are issued for possible reimbursement by insurance plans.)

## QUILTERS

We have more room for Friday afternoon quilters. We meet 11:30am to 3:30pm and we do have a teacher Ruth Gordon is her name. Even if you are a new quilter or old please come and share your day with us. We have lots of fun call Dixie Powers at 623-566-3664 or Dee Stillson at 623 - 561-9338. Thank you.

## ZUMBA FITNESS

Come dance your way to a fitter you with exciting and unique Latin moves and rhythms!! Class is held every Monday at 10:30am at the Yacht Club. Brenda Thomason is the instructor and she is wonderful. Classes are \$6.00 for drop- INS and if you decide to come back you can purchase a punch card for \$25.00 for 5 classes and \$40.00 for 10 classes. Hope to see you there!!

## MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION



**On Monday, May 26<sup>th</sup> at 8:00are at the Yacht Club.**

Luke Air Force Base will be here and a wonderful program has been planned for you by **TONY DEMONT!!** We would love for Ventana Lakes residents to support this Memorial Day Celebration. We will be providing donuts and coffee so we need you to come into the office or call the office to **SIGN UP** for this Patriotic Event. There is **NO CHARGE** for this event but we need to order donuts so we need to know how many people will be attending.

## WORKOUT PARTNERS FOR THE EXERCISE ROOM

Looking for someone who would like to be a workout buddy in our exercise room!! If you would be interested please call Tina at the Management Office at 623-566-6001.

## CLASSIFIED ADS

For Sale cards, pictures, notes and memo's from residents have been moved to the small bulletin board on your left as you come in the front door of the Rec. Center. The cards can be no larger than 3x5 and have to be date stamped at the management office before they can be placed on the bulletin board and we will do that for you. Just bring them into the office and we will see to it that it gets put on the bulletin board. Could you please keep an eye on the bulletin boards and if you see anyone except the Bulletin Board Maven putting up or taking down items, give Tina a call at the office at 623-566-6001. Thanks so much!!

## BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Ventana Lakes Bible Study Discussion Group is an interdenominational group that uses the expository approach to Bible study. The group has been organized over ten years. Meetings are held every Monday morning in the Game Room at 10:00 A.M.

Thank you.

Drexel L Pope

Phone: 623-566-3860

## A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS WHO HELPED MAKE THE ST. PATTY'S SOUP NIGHT SUCH A BIG SUCCESS

I love it here at Ventana Lakes!! You have an awesome community and I am BLESSED to be apart of it. Volunteers **Vada Bowers** and **Kathy Kopec** did a great job putting it all together. Thanks to all the residents who attended and brought all those fabulous soups, we sure have a lot of good cooks in Ventana Lakes!! Thank you to all of the volunteers who assisted with set-up, decorating and clean up we couldn't do it without you!!

### Your Board - We're Also in the Book

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