

# *THE HIGHLANDS FLING*

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520-297-2722

*January 2025*



## **JANUARY EVENTS**

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### **JANUARY OPEN BOARD MEETING**

Please submit agenda items to the office by Monday, January 13. All are welcome at the Board Meeting January 15 at 10 am.

#### **Informational Meeting**

Wed 1/8 – 10 am

#### **Coffee & Chat**

Sat 1/11 – 9 am

#### **Jerry Ferrill Memorial**

Sat 1/11 – 12 Noon

#### **Potluck**

Tue 1/14 – 5 pm

#### **Golder Ranch Meeting**

Tue 1/21 – 9 am

#### **Coffee & Chat**

Sat 1/25 – 9 am

## **NEW OFFICE MANAGER**

Diane Flores is now on board and enjoying meeting new residents. She can be reached via email at:

[diane1highlands@gmail.com](mailto:diane1highlands@gmail.com)

Lynne Jordan can still be reached at

[highlands332@gmail.com](mailto:highlands332@gmail.com)

The office hours are:

10:00 am – 2:00 pm Monday thru Friday.

## **GOLDER RANCH FIRE DEPARTMENT**

COMING TO ANSWER  
SOME QUESTIONS!

On Tuesday, January 21, at 9 am, Dan Habinek & others from the Golder Ranch Fire Department will be here in our Clubhouse to tell us about the services they offer and to answer any questions we have about our emergency departments, both fire and police.

Coffee will be offered at 8 am.

Please bring your own cup.

There's a sign-up sheet in the poker room for this event.

## **ATTENTION**

### **HIGHLAND'S BAKERS**

Get ready to make your favorite recipes for the White Elephant Sale on February 22.

### **MEMORIAL FOR JERRY FERRILL**

Saturday, January 11, 2025 at noon In the Clubhouse.

For many years Jerry was a big part of the Highlands family. His name always seemed synonymous with lending a helping hand. Jerry passed away on December 16. Please come to the clubhouse to share memories with Louise and have a Clubhouse sendoff for Jerry.

## **JANUARY BIRTHDAYS**

1/03 Jan Pepperdine  
1/07 John Osier  
1/11 Sue Cook  
1/12 Linda Ortiz  
1/14 Ken Kemerling  
1/15 Mary Pasquini  
1/15 Mike Pickar  
1/17 Jamie Horst  
1/17 Wendy Pickar  
1/18 Judy Calkins  
1/18 Kent Hinds  
1/21 Louise Adams  
1/31 Anita Lee  
1/31 David Rivera

## COMMUNITY YARD SALE AND WHITE ELEPHANT SALE

The annual Community Yard Sale will be held Saturday February 15th, from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. If you have items to sell, please **PRINT** your name and address on the sign-up sheet located in the poker room in the Clubhouse and indicate in the last column whether or not you'll have a balloon attached to your mailbox. This sale will only be listed on Craig's List. The following Saturday, February 22nd, the White Elephant Sale will be held at the Clubhouse from 8:00 a.m. until noon. This is your opportunity to donate any items that you don't want (but **NO** clothes, bedding, hats or shoes). Please make sure all items are **CLEAN** and **SUITABLE** for sale. Here are some examples: women's accessories such as purses, belts & jewelry are very popular; tools of any kind; household items such as furniture, throw rugs, curtains, decorative pillows, dishes, small appliances, towels, plants, books, movies, craft supplies, etc. Drop off time at the Clubhouse is Friday February 21st between 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. which allows time to get items sorted and priced. If you need help with large items, call Steve Horst (309) 781-5154 or Jamie Horst (309) 230-0233 to schedule a time and identify

the item/items that need to be picked up. If you want to volunteer at this event, please call one of your co-chairs (Steve & Jamie) and they'll add your name to their list. PLEASE NOTE: The Clubhouse will be **CLOSED** to all residents who are not helping with the sale from 7:00 a.m. Friday until the sale ends on Saturday at 2:00 p.m.

## NEW SOCIAL COMMITTEE SHED

Seen the new shed in the RV Lot? Take some time to amble down. We used to have two fiberglass sheds and one donated aluminum shed to store items for the White Elephant Sale. They were damaged beyond repair or completely gone from the wind. We began searching for a replacement, but found them to be cost prohibitive. Finally, with the insurance money (\$500), a generous donation from a Highlands resident (\$2000) and the balance coming from the Social Committee, we purchased one online. Our SPECIAL THANKS to the following for volunteering their time, knowledge, tools, painting skills, etc. to get this shed completed: Linc Keilman; Craig Bennett; Paul Hines; John Osier; Scott Istad; Paul DeLong and Ted Keilman. Your White Elephant Co-Chairs, Steve & Jamie Horst.



**PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE  
ITEMS OFF UNATTENDED  
AT THE SHED.** Call Steve or  
Jamie to arrange storage.

## HORAC

HORAC will be hosting one of their Tan/Tune/Tuesdays on January 7<sup>th</sup> from 2:00-4:00pm by the Pool. Tickets will be \$6 to pay for the entertainment, which will be Corey Spector. Those who have heard him before know what a good show he does with a variety of music to enjoy. Bring yourself a chair and a snack and come enjoy the afternoon with music. For Tickets call:  
Ron Weihl (231) 292-2554  
Carol Coville (541) 990-2743  
John Pangburn (217) 714-5705  
Dan Allen (520) 465-0544  
Marg Roth (520) 400-0597  
Chris Ardingo (231) 350-9752

## THANK YOU

A huge thank you to this Highlands Community for the strong support – your many visits, food for Larry's Memorial, gifts and beds for our company. You are amazing! What was a difficult and sad time turned out to be a great blessing. Thank you ALL and God bless each of you. The Clow Family

## **MEN'S BREAKFAST**

The next men's breakfast will be on January 8th, 2025 at the Ole Mexican Grill located at 2080 W Orange Grove Rd. The sign-up sheet is located in the Clubhouse. Please sign up by January 6th so that I may give the restaurant an accurate headcount...17 attended the December breakfast. Ed Pearlberg will be handling the breakfast responsibilities for January. Don't forget your pins! If you don't have one, I'll get you one!! Steve Horst

## **CLUCK, CLUCK, CLUCK!!!**

Chicken and Karaoke again. Join us Sunday, January 19th, at 5:00 pm for Chicken and Karaoke/Sing-Along. Join your friends and neighbors for a nice chicken meal, then stick around to help entertain or be entertained by those same friends and neighbors. Only \$5.00 each will get you fried chicken, potato wedges, salad, and coffee (or bring your own beverage).

Please sign up in the poker room so we know how much to buy. Don't forget to bring your own table service. Also, we'll give you four chances to win back your \$5.00 with a few trivia questions. See ya there.

## **WELCOME BACK HAPPY QUILTERS**

The Highlands' quilting group will meet again on Thursday afternoons beginning January

9th at 1:00 p.m. in the Clubhouse. Anyone who is interested in coming to check out the group is welcome. All are welcome to join us. If you can sew a straight seam, we will help you quilt. We do have a few sewing machines available for residents who would like to quilt. We are continuing our service project from last year, quilts for kids going into foster care, duffle/backpack bags for Aviva. We have several kits made up. If anyone has cotton quilting fabric looking for a new home, we will gladly take donations. Questions should be directed to Sheila Tomac at (920) 619-8074 or Lori Tandler at (605) 323-8009



## **PLANT JEWELRY**

Garden Stakes, Plant Stakes, Fairy Stakes, or as I call them PLANT JEWELRY! Come make your own on Monday, January 27<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm in the Resource Room. Cost is \$10.00. Call Jeanie at (231) 981-2535 with any questions.

## **HIGHLANDS BOOK CLUB**

If you checked the FB page you noted our "nostalgia clue" to this month's book discussion was Dinah Shore singing a Chevrolet commercial. Our current group read is "Nomadland: Surviving America in the 21st Century", by Jessica Bruder. This is non-fiction, documenting the experiences of people who took to a caravan life after the recession of 2008; note exactly the same experience as Dinah's enthusiastic invitation to "see the USA in a Chevrolet." We have multiple copies from the public library which are available from Valerie Day. The movie version won the Academy Award for Best Picture in 2021. Our discussion will be January 13 at 10 a.m. in the Resource Room. Everyone is welcome. Next meeting is Feb 10, as "readers choice" of work by American author Willa Cather.

## **BUNCO????**

**January 9 and 23<sup>rd</sup> at 4pm**

Bunco is a fun, easy dice game. Want to come? 12 or 16 players required. Bring five bucks for the kitty. THIS IS REALLY FUN! Call Alex for questions: (208) 819-8064. Sign up sheet in poker room. BYO beverage and light snack (optional).



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### **Drywall repairs:**

Install drywall. Tape, Texture and finish.  
44 years experience. Lenny Beyer  
847-417-9684

*Happy New Year!*

### **INFORMATIONAL MEETING**

**JAN. 8 from 10-noon in the Clubhouse.**

There will be multiple topics for discussion, rental caps, the wash, and general questions.

### **JANUARY OPEN BOARD MEETING**

Will be as usual, the 3rd Wednesday, Jan. 15.

### **FEBRUARY ANNUAL MEETING:**

**FRIDAY FEBRUARY 7, 2025 • 1 P.M.**

This will be the open board meeting for February. At this meeting we get results of the vote for the board members, and any changes to the CC&Rs that appear on the ballot.

### **More voting information:**

Ballots have been mailed out. All ballots must be returned to the Highlands office by close of business (4 pm) on Thursday, JANUARY 30th, 2025. If you miss this deadline, you may return your ballot in person at the Resource Room on Friday February 7, 2025 from 8–10 am.

### **ALSO;**

All HOA and RV dues need to be paid by 2:00 PM, Jan 31, 2025 in order for your vote to count in February's election.

## LAST PAGE

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### **HIGHLANDS DIRECTORY:**

We print the Directory to come out in early February. Please check to see if there are changes or corrections to your listing. All owners of property here should have at least their name and address in the directory. Other details - such as email or phone number are up to you.

**COMMUNITY ISSUES:** Brought up In the open board meeting...

**Speeding:** is a problem. We can restore speed bumps if necessary – so please control your speed to avoid that.

**Utility Bills:** We've given thermostat control to the users. So - put it up if you need to, but lower it when done.

**Paper towels: are not free to take.**

**Also missing:** And, I find this might be a case of misplacing – for who would want a large roll of fabric used by the quilting group? If you took it thinking it was scrap, return it - no questions asked.

**A BIG THANK YOU** to our treasurer, Elizabeth HInds, for keeping the budget in check, knowing and following legislation about Reserve Fund savings and working to give us better interest rates and bank services.

### **BIRTHDAY MISSING?**

IF you want your birthday date in the Fling, put your name on a list in the poker room. Colleen Nolan organizes this listing every month. (Happy Belated Birthday to Don Hommen who turned 90 on Dec. 19!).

**BIGGEST THANK YOU:** We are Celebrating Donato's years of service to The Highlands in February 2025. Details to follow.

# JANUARY 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> <i>New Year's Day</i>	<b>2</b> Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Quilters 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10pm	<b>3</b> <b>Pickleball 9:00 am</b> Social Hour 4:00pm	<b>4</b> Clubhouse Rented 11: <b>Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm</b>
<b>5</b> Bingo 2:00 pm	<b>6</b> <b>Pickleball 9:00 am</b> <b>Arts &amp; Crafts 1:00 pm</b> Poker 5:30 pm Ping Pong 7:00 pm	<b>7</b> Coffee 8:00 am Line Dancing 10:00 am Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm Tuesday "TUNES" 2 pm	<b>8</b> <b>Pickleball 9am</b> <b>Men's Breakfast 8:00</b> Meeting 10:00 am <b>Chair Yoga 11:00 am</b> <b>Gourds 1:00 pm</b> Poker 5:30 pm	<b>9</b> <b>HORAC 9am</b> Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Quilters 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10pm BUNCO 4 pm	<b>10</b> <b>Pickleball 9:00 am</b> Social Hour 4:00pm	<b>11</b> Coffee Chat 9:00 am with Speaker Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm
<b>12</b> Bingo 2:00 pm	<b>13</b> <b>Pickleball 9:00 am</b> <b>Book Club 10:00 am</b> <b>Arts &amp; Crafts 1:00 pm</b> Poker 5:30 pm Ping Pong 7:00 pm	<b>14</b> Coffee 8:00 am Line Dancing 10:00 am Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm Potluck 5:00 pm	<b>15</b> <b>Pickleball 9am</b> Board Mting 10:00 am <b>Chair Yoga 11:00 am</b> <b>Gourds 1:00 pm</b> Poker 5:30 pm	<b>16</b> Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Quilters 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm	<b>17</b> Social Meeting 9:00am <b>Pickleball 9:00 am</b> Social Hour 4:00pm	<b>18</b> Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm
<b>19</b> Bingo 2:00 pm Chicken & Karaoke 5 p	<b>20</b> <i>ML King Day</i> <b>Pickleball 9:00 am</b> <b>Arts &amp; Crafts 1:00 pm</b> Poker 5:30 pm Ping Pong 7:00 pm	<b>21</b> Coffee 8:00 am Line Dancing 10:00 am Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm	<b>22</b> <b>Pickleball 9am</b> Chair Yoga 11:00 am <b>Gourds 1:00 pm</b> <b>GOLF</b> Poker 5:30 pm	<b>23</b> Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Quilters 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10pm BUNCO 4 pm	<b>24</b> <b>Pickleball 9:00 am</b> Social Hour 4:00pm	<b>25</b> Coffee Chat 9:00 am Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm
<b>26</b> Bingo 2:00 pm	<b>27</b> <b>Pickleball 9:00 am</b> <b>Arts &amp; Crafts 1:00 pm</b> Poker 5:30 pm Ping Pong 7:00 pm	<b>28</b> Coffee 8:00 am Line Dancing 10:00 am Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm	<b>29</b> <b>Pickleball 9am</b> Chair Yoga 11:00 am <b>Gourds 1:00 pm</b> <b>GOLF</b> Poker 5:30 pm	<b>30</b> <b>Int'l Lunch 11:15 am</b> Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Quilters 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10pm	<b>31</b> <b>Pickleball 9:00 am</b> Social Hour 4:00pm	
		Notes:			All Activities Held in the Clubhouse/Pool EXCEPT:  Green= Resource Room Red= Off Site Activity	

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**Community Yard Sale**  
Sat 2/15 – 7 am

**Donato's Thank You Lunch**  
Mon 2/17 – 12 noon

**White Elephant Sale**  
Sat 2/22 – 8 am

### NEW OFFICE MANAGER

Diane Flores is now on board and enjoying meeting new residents. She can be reached via email at: [diane1highlands@gmail.com](mailto:diane1highlands@gmail.com) or (520) 297-2722

**For billing concerns**, contact Lynne Jordan at (520) 304-6296 or via email at [highlands332@gmail.com](mailto:highlands332@gmail.com)

Hours for both ladies are:  
10:00 am – 2:00 pm Mon-Fri

## CELEBRATION OF LIFE

A celebration of Life will be held on Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2:00 pm at the Clubhouse for the following people: Roger Farmer, Anna Pufahl, Herb Johnson, Leona Lewis, Larry Clow, Lynn Nix, Jake Jacobs, and Jerry Ferrill

## SAVE THE DATE

On Saturday, March 15 will be The Annual Craft Market at the Clubhouse. We will have coffee and refreshments along with great handmade products. If you are a crafter or artist there are sign-up sheets in the clubhouse. Registration this year will include a \$5 fee to help offset costs of refreshments & promotional items. If you have any questions, contact Mary Rausch [rauschfs@netins.net](mailto:rauschfs@netins.net)) or Cindy Bennett ([cindybenett-1@hotmail.com](mailto:cindybenett-1@hotmail.com))

## CARDS SENT

Marilyn Staley sent cards to the following:  
Jerry Ferrill-Thinking of You  
Laura Nelson-Thinking of You  
Louise Adams-Sympathy  
Skip Schultz-Thinking of You

## ACTIVITIES IN THE HIGHLANDS

If you're interested in an activity that's happening in the clubhouse and would like to hear more about it, here is some contact information:

Bingo - Donna Fritz  
Book Club - Valerie Day  
Chair Yoga - Susan Weber  
(505) 927-4216  
Hand & Foot - Rosie Bussman (520)400-1330  
HORAC- Ron Weihl,  
(231) 292-2554  
Poker - Reed Snell  
(520) 668-0135  
Texas Hold'em - Bob Beck  
(520) 409-8609  
Social Hour - Bernie Lee  
(520) 409-8709

## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

2/6 Rosie Bussman  
2/11 Jack Nunez  
2/14 Duane Olson  
2/14 Raul Ortiz  
2/15 Donna Smith  
2/15 Bob Hurley  
2/16 Meredith Hentschel  
2/17 Chris Fargo  
2/19 Cindy Bennett  
2/20 Cheryl Sommer  
2/21 Ron Baumbach  
2/23 Joan Clow  
2/27 Laura Nelson  
2/29 Linc Keilman

## ANIMAL POLICIES

Service animals are welcome in our community. Proper certification must be registered at the main office. Anyone who rents their place to someone who has a service animal, must make that policy clear. Paperwork to register the animal is also on the website. Service animals are welcome but are not allowed in the Clubhouse. This QR code will take you directly to the Rules for Reasonable Accommodation of Service or Assistance Animals in the CC&Rs on our website.



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## HORAC NEWS

### HIGHLANDS 2025 OLYMPICS IT'S COMING AGAIN.

HORAC will be hosting the Olympics again on Thursday, February 20th. The registration begins at 9:40 a.m. with open ceremonies commencing at 10:00. The events will be Putt-Putt Golf, Corn Hole, Shuffleboard and Washer toss. There will be 8 teams with 4 people per team. Sign up early as there are limited teams available. Estimated time to finish the Olympics is 2-3 Hours. Teams will choose their own team's name. The team with the highest score wins the event. There will be opening ceremonies, a parade of teams, lighting of the Olympic Flame, game schedule provided, closing ceremony and awards. Snacks and water will be provided. There will be a \$10 suggested donation per team to cover the costs involved. If you missed out last year, here is your opportunity to enjoy a wonderful time of teamwork and great fun. **COME BE PART OF THE SECOND ANNUAL OLYMPICS!!!** Sign up sheet at the clubhouse. Ron Wehl, 231-292-2554





## **WALK CHALLENGE 2025**

HORAC encourages you to participate in our 60 days walk challenge starting Monday, February 3, 2025-April 3, 2025. Mark your calendars! Walking provides great exercise, and health advantages. How many miles can you walk in 60 days? Set your personal goal and let's do this together! Will you do it with music, with friends, compete with yourself or others? This will be challenging but fun. Contact: Chris Ardingo, Tom Clark, or John Pangburn for more details.

## **HIGHLANDS BAKERS**

The bake sale is held annually in conjunction with the White Elephant Sale. Gather your favorite recipes and start baking. Plan to drop off your treats at the Clubhouse on February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 8:00 am. You can also call Cheryl Stafford at 586-876-4589 for pick up. **IMPORTANT:** Please be sure to mark items that are perishable. Also list ingredients on baked goods for those allergies to nuts, wheat, etc. **THANK YOU** to all our gifted bakers who always do a wonderful job making this a tasty and enjoyable event!

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## **HIGHLAND HIKERS**

Save these February dates for some hiking! Feb. 10th and Feb. 28th See details and hike locations in the clubhouse and sign up! Contact Cheryl Stafford with questions.

## **ARTS AND CRAFTS**

### **February 10**

We are having a "Heart Attack" in the resource room!! Come join us as Kay Delong is teaching an Zentangle inspired class featuring a Valentines Card theme (or any design) Cost \$5

February 10 1:00

Resource Room

### **February 27**

#### ***Ojo de Dios***

Come join us as we learn how to make God's Eyes or Ojo de Dios.

Taught by Patti Triplett

Resource Room 1:00

Cost \$5



## **HIGHLANDS HAPPY QUILTERS**

### **Open House**

Come to our Quilter's Open House on Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 pm to 4 p.m. at the Highlands Clubhouse. Come see our artistic projects done by our local Quilters. We will show a variety of various quilting applications. A variety of quilts will be on display and for sale. A special antique hand quilted quilt will be on display. We will have quilting items for sale to support our Mission Projects.

Refreshments will be served.

Looking forward to seeing you on February 27<sup>th</sup>! All are welcome to attend! Any questions, please call Sheila at 920-619-8074 or Lori at 605-323-8009.

## **BUNCO**

Bunco is back at the Clubhouse two Thursdays again this month: Feb 6 and Feb 20. Perfect dice and counting game for beginners. Show up at 4 pm with your \$5 bucks, and you may win it back plus more! Always a good time. Both genders welcome. BYOB, light snack provided. Be sure you sign up in the Poker Room! Call Alex for questions 208-819-8064.



## **HIGHLANDS DAY TRIPPERS**

### **TAKE A TRIP TO LAUGHLIN, NEVADA**

### **APRIL 7<sup>th</sup> AND RETURNING ON APRIL 8<sup>th</sup>.**

If you're interested in going on a 2-day trip to RIVERSIDE HOTEL CASINO & RESORT in Laughlin, NV, you'll need to get a check (made out to THI) in the amount of \$130.00 per person, to Jamie by the 20th of February. The check will be held until the trip is on. We need 50 signed up and paid so funds can get paid to the bus company and the resort by the 1st of March.

Laughlin is a small gambling town on the Colorado River - a throwback to the 50s.

This sounds like a fun excursion. The fee includes the transportation and one night lodging. Meals and gambling money are from your own pocketbook. You may even win your \$130.00 back!

The website for the hotel/casino is:

<https://www.riversideresort.com/>  
Check out the many amenities. Please call Jamie (309-230-0233) and get signed up - or for further information.

If you have never joined a trip with the Highland Day Trippers - it is a really fun experience, plus a great group of neighbors. Thank you Jamie for arranging this opportunity.

## **PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

**7:30 - 10:00 AM**

**SATURDAY MARCH 1**

\$7 per person.

Contact Bernie Lee –

520-409-8709

Breakfast includes: Pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, potatoes, OJ, coffee. ALL FOR \$7. Dishes and cutlery supplied. Just show up!!! No calories included. There is no sign up sheet - Bernie will be selling tickets. Call him.



## **HIGHLANDS BOOK CLUB**

American author Willa Cather is the subject of a book club discussion on February 10. Participants are encouraged to read any of her novels, poetry or short stories and come prepared to share insights and responses. The group meets the second Monday of the month at 10 am in the Resource Room. All are welcome, no sign up needed.

*Happy Valentine's  
Day*



*February 14, 2025*

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**COMMUNITY ISSUES:** Brought up In Chuck's Informational meeting. Most of the input we received is that this meeting was very helpful and perhaps we can offer it on a periodic basis. The meeting was held to explain the Rental Cap vote on the ballot - and any other issues or concerns. Here are a couple of the comments:

• **Golf carts** can be driven by licensed motor vehicle drivers, NOT underage drivers - especially children. This seems obvious with the number of walkers here. This is a safety and liability issue. And **electric mobility scooters** - please BE AWARE of the automatic door on sidewalk next to the library. It could wipe you out!

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• **Animal policies** are In the CC&Rs. Anyone who rents their place to someone HAS to make the animal policy clear. The QR inside this issue points to that web page. Or you can get a hard copy from the office.

• **Floor in bathrooms** - yes there was a curing problem with the shower being used too soon. It is being rectified.

**DONATO: An appreciation lunch will be held on Monday, February 17 from 12 noon - 2 pm.** PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE POKER ROOM so we have an idea for food planning. Cards (gift cards included) will be collected in the office - if you want to offer a personal thanks.

**WORKING ON SECURITY CAMERAS.** Tony Bettens is doing research into this project. Sophisticated systems cost a lot of money or course. An anonymous donor gave us a substantial contribution to help fund this expense. Anyone else who wants to contribute can give a check to Diane in the office - write "security camera" in subject line.

### **NOTICE MAINTENANCE CONCERNS?**

Please report these to the office. Diane will keep a log of these issues.

### **DO NOT FEED 4-LEGGED WILDLIFE!**

It is unlawful to feed wildlife (except for birds and tree squirrels) in Maricopa, Pinal and Pima counties per Arizona Revised Statute 13-2927. Violators will be reported to Arizona Game and Fish. Another thing: they pose a serious nuisance. If you notice a problem with these critters under a shed or vacant unit inform us.

**RESOURCE ROOM door key pad** - We've done some rekeying and there is a new lock method for the resource room. Security door will be kept unlocked and a key pad placed on the inner door. Code: posted at the clubhouse.

# FEBRUARY 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<b>1</b> Clubhouse Rented Texas Hold'em 2:10pm
<b>2</b> Groundhog Day Celebration of Life 2:00 pm	<b>3</b> Pickleball 9:00 am Arts & Crafts 1:00 pm Poker 5:30 pm Ping Pong 7:00 pm	<b>4</b> Coffee 8:00 am Line Dancing 10:00 am Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10pm	<b>5</b> Pickleball 9 am Chair Yoga 11:00 am Gourds 1:00 pm <b>GOLF</b> Poker 5:30 pm	<b>6</b> Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Quilters 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10pm Bunco 4:00 pm	<b>7</b> Pickleball 9:00 am Annual Meeting 1:00pm Social Hour 4:00 pm	<b>8</b> Coffee Chat 9:00 am Texas Hold'em 2:10pm
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<b>16</b> Bingo 2:00 pm	<b>17</b> Presidents' Day Donato's Thank You Party 12:00 pm Arts & Crafts 1:00 pm Poker 5:30 pm Ping Pong 7:00 pm	<b>18</b> Coffee 8:00 am Line Dancing 10:00 am Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10pm	<b>19</b> Pickleball 9:00 am Gourds 1:00 pm <b>GOLF</b> Poker 5:30 pm	<b>20</b> Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Quilters 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10pm Bunco 4:00 pm	<b>21</b> Pickleball 9:00 am Clubhouse CLOSED Set-up for SALE	<b>22</b> White Elephant Sale 8:00 am Texas Hold'em 2:10pm
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# THE HIGHLANDS FLING March 2025



## MARCH EVENTS

### MARCH OPEN BOARD MEETING Wed. March 19

Please submit agenda items to the office by Wednesday, March 12. All are welcome at the Board Meeting on Wednesday, March 19 at 10:00 am.

### INFORMATION MEETING

Thursday, March 27, 2025  
Clubhouse  
10am-Noon

All are welcome to attend.

### CONTACT US

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## READY, SET, GO

If we have an environmental emergency, it behooves us to be prepared. Golder Ranch Fire has prepared door knob with pertinent information. These are available in our Clubhouse near the extra FLINGS or you can call Jane @ 520.245.4164 for information.

## MEN'S BREAKFAST

The next Men's Breakfast will be on March 12, 2025 at the Ole Mexican Grill located at [2080 W Orange Grove Rd.](#) The sign-up sheet is located in the Clubhouse. Just FYI the restaurant does not open until 8AM. Please sign up by 5PM on March 10th so that I may give the restaurant an accurate headcount ... 26 people signed up for the February event with 21 attendees.

If you sign up and can't make it, kindly give Steve Horst a call so that I may notify the restaurant and reduce the number of place settings we need. It is greatly appreciated. Don't forget your pins! If you don't have one I'll get you one!!

## HIGHLAND HIKERS

Come join us for some beautiful views and blooming springtime! March 10 and March 28. See sign-up sheet in the Clubhouse for details of the hike. Contact Cheryl Stafford for questions.

## HIGHLANDS BOOK CLUB

For the March discussion, readers are choosing from all things Irish... an Irish author, Irish setting, Irish history, Irish recipes, Irish mythology, Irish biography.... you get the picture. Choose a book to read and share with the group on Monday, March 10 at 10 a.m. in the Resource Room. Our April selection will be "The Talented Mr. Ripley," a classic thriller by Patricia Highstreet. Copies will be available at the March meeting, or contact Valerie Day.

## CRAFTS

**Souvenir Plate**  
**March 10th, at 1:00pm in the Resource Room.**

**Sharon Dennis, Instructor**  
Come try something different!! Decoupage a charger plate! Easy craft with several different patterns to choose from. Sign up in the clubhouse. Cost is \$5





## FOOD TRUCK UPDATE

If you're planning to enjoy the Clear Country Band and Food Trucks on March 27th, please remember the following: Contact Jamie (309-230-0233) for a ticket; sign your name and food choice on either the BBQ or Taco food truck sheets, but if you just want to have great food **PLEASE** use the "Resident" sheet with your name, food choice and print 'BBQ or TACO' in the column on the right side. If you have any questions, reach out to Jamie.

## HIGHLANDS OLYMPICS

On a beautiful day on February 20, 2025 The Highlands Olympics once again took place. A good time was had by all. The winning teams were Gold medal to Team DIRFM, Silver medal to Team FOP and Bronze medal to Team Black Sheep. Don't forget that there will be another Tan-Tuesday Concert put on by HORAC on Tuesday March 18th at 2 p.m. Poolside by a group called Chance Romance.



## TAN-TUESDAY CONCERT

**Tuesday, March 18th at 2pm**  
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## REMINDERS:

Outdoor events at the miniature golf location **Thursday, March 20th at 10am.**

## PICKLEBALL

Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9 a.m. at Riverfront Park.

## FRUIT PICKING

Are you over run with fruit this year? Some trees are, some not so much. Here is the organization that comes out and picks your fruit tree - and asks for a donation of \$25. ISKASHITAA refugee network. (The word is an African word for "working cooperatively together" in the language of the Somali Bantu people, called Maay Maay.) You can phone them and request a harvest appointment (520) 440-0100 Or go online to <https://www.iskashitaa.org/donate-your-fruit> and submit a harvest form. From there, they contact you to set up a date and time. Go online to see what they're all about. It's a program that combats food waste and makes and sells things even from the fruit pickings. Food is then distributed to food banks, schools, markets, any other food deprived outlet.

[Information@iskashitaa.org](mailto:Information@iskashitaa.org)

## POUR PAINTING

Come join us in a pour painting workshop where you select different colors of paints, mix them and "pour" them onto your canvas to create an unplanned and surprising work of art! The only requirement is that I would ask you to watch a few videos of the techniques in order to familiarize yourself with this art form. If you have any questions, please give me a call. Patti Triplett 520-887-4120. Sign up in the Clubhouse. Cost \$5 March 24th, at 1:00pm in the Resource Room  
Patti Triplett-instructor

## TRAVEL PROGRAM

### Highlands resident daughter and father travels!

Sara Danville-Gelhaus is giving a presentation of the trip she and her father, Paul, a new resident in The Highlands, took last September. It will be held in the Clubhouse on **Friday, March 28, 2025, from 10:00AM-Noon.** If you have never been to one of Sara's travel programs, well—you've missed it. Very enjoyable to the arm-chair travelers. If you saw Sara's images at the Clubhouse, you may have noticed some were photographed in Tunisia. If you want to learn more about the subjects in the exhibit or if you just want to learn about Tunisia, join us.

## KUDOS

We have so much to be thankful for in our community. Specifically - all the coordinators and volunteers that make so many things happen to create this fun and functional community we live in. For example: It takes a cadre to orchestrate our election process each December - February. The timing and processing of the materials takes work, commitment and understanding. Thanks to Rich Vertel - chairman of this election committee. Thanks to long-time help from Linc Keilman and Cheryl Stafford, and volunteers to stuff and stamp envelopes. And thanks right down to the front desk this year, with Diane picking up the reins from the galloping horse upon Lynne's departure, thankfully with Lynne prepping the reins.

Hope you had a chance to snatch up a deal at the White Elephant Sale. Speaking of kudos to long-time organizers - Jamie and Steve Horst. And the army of volunteers it takes to set up and run and take down this annual sale. By Saturday evening you would never know that place was filled with stuff and people for two days. Special thanks to Gary Wilkinson for refurbishing our "marquee" elephant for this year's White Elephant Sale. We'll look forward to displaying this in the years to come as buyers come into the Clubhouse!. Thanks again Gary from the co-chairs of the highlands White Elephant Sale, Steve & Jamie Horst.

HORAC has a committee that pulls off unique events - and thanks to that group for the fun Olympic Games! There was a lot of laughing and carrying on!

SOCIAL COMMITTEE under the long-time direction of Cindy Bennett - who knows exactly where the spare paper plates are and baggies to bag up surplus pulled pork! Her committee provides a ton of beauty to our clubhouse too - with rotating art exhibits and seasonal decor. If you like to host parties and decorate, please join their committee.

Last, but not least, there are volunteers to thank for delivering the Fling to our mail tubes every month. Thank you Jane Force for delivering the east side, Tere and Dan Wojdyla the center, and on the west side Larry and Linda Wilcoxson. And now joining us, Rodney McBride.

A list of club organizers and their contact information is on the bulletin board in the clubhouse.

## MARCH BIRTHDAYS

3/1 Colleen Nolan  
3/2 Jan Gates  
3/5 Joann Leider  
3/7 Carol Alberda  
3/10 Darlene Sand  
3/11 Kay Delong  
3/13 Barbara Moe  
3/19 Dan Wojdyla  
3/24 Lela Krohn  
3/28 Tony Springer  
3/29 Michael Ganoff

## CLUCK, CLUCK, CLUCK !!

Chicken and Karaoke..... again. Join us Sunday, March 23rd, at 5:00 pm for Chicken and Karaoke/Sing-Along. Join your friends and neighbors for a nice chicken meal, then stick around to help entertain or be entertained by those same friends and neighbors. Only \$5.00 each will get you fried chicken, side dish (to-be-determined), salad, and coffee (or bring your own beverage). Please sign up in the poker room so we know how much to buy. Don't forget to **BRING YOUR OWN TABLE SERVICE**. Also, we'll give you 4 chances to win back your \$5.00 with a few trivia questions. See ya there.



*Refurbished by Gary Wilkinson*

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## OPEN BOARD MEETING DISCUSSIONS:

**THE POOL ISSUES** have been addressed, researched and are being worked on. This involves the water emptying, pool maintenance improvements, and working with the demand water heater at that out-door shower.

## DO NOT FEED 4-LEGGED WILDLIFE!

This bares repeating. There is a growing herd of \*pigs' roaming around. Coyotes also. Feeding them is not helpful to anyone nor to the animal. (\* javalina, technically not pigs).

**LANDSCAPING ISSUE** - and the leaning saguaro - will be addressed with Complete Landscape. This would be an additional expense, not covered in their contract.

## GOOD CLERICAL SUGGESTIONS:

1. Disclaimer slips to borrow tools from garage.
2. Update the Voter Excel Spreadsheet. There were incorrect addresses.

*This in part might explain the low turnout of voters for our election. That - and incorrectly reading the wording of the ballot information. Things like deadlines and signatures have to be enforced as we are following state laws for conducting business for HOAs.*

## REGARDING WEEDS:

It's time to arrange for your weed service. Get those grandkids to work! That downpour we had last month stimulated super lush weeds!

## COMMUNITY MEETING

**Thursday March 27, 10 am to noon.**

Chuck is conducting another community discussion meeting - an informal, rather unstructured get-together to air comments or questions. At the last one it was suggested that more of these sessions would be nice. So - thank you Chuck.

## MARKETPLACE.....

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## BOARD ELECTION RESULTS:

At our Feb. 7 meeting, it was announced that the 3 members of the next board are two who reran (to save us from resorting to a professional management company), Rich Vertel and Tony Bettens. The newly elected member is Penny Wolff. Thank you to everyone who ran.

**COMMUNITY ISSUES:** Brought to my attention: How is it possible to put a yield sign at a dangerous, near collision point in the road? People driving out of Shenandoah St. should yield to anyone coming from the clubhouse circle. Right?

**DONATO'S PARTY:** That was a great party - with contributions from everywhere. From the artwork done by Morris for Donato's plaque - that was too beautiful to describe - to the flower arrangements by Patti Triplett. Plus all the delicious food prepared by board members and their cohorts. Special shout out to Shelly and Dave Armstrong who smoked all that meat and made the beans to accompany it! And topped it off with home-made ice cream! Yvonne Kuhlman brought this all together. Everybody had a chance to shake his hand - and express appreciation. He promised he wouldn't be a stranger.



# MARCH 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<b>1</b> Ramadan begins  Pancake Breakfast 7:30 AM Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm
<b>2</b>  Bingo 2:00 pm	<b>3</b> Pickleball 9:00 am Arts & Crafts 1:00 pm Poker 5:30 pm Ping Pong 6:30 pm	<b>4</b> Mardi Gras Coffee 8:00 am Line Dancing 10:00 am Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm	<b>5</b> Ash Wednesday Pickleball 9:00 am Chair Yoga 11:00 am Gourds 1:00 pm <b>GOLF</b> Poker 5:30 pm	<b>6</b> <b>HORAC 9:00 am</b> Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Quilters 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm Bunco 4:00 pm	<b>7</b> Pickleball 9:00 am  Social Hour 4:00 pm	<b>8</b> Coffee Chat 9:00 am  Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm
<b>9</b> Daylight Saving  Bingo 2:00 pm	<b>10</b> <b>Hiking 8:30am</b> Pickleball 9:00 am Book Club 10:00 am Arts & Crafts 1:00 pm Poker 5:30 pm Ping Pong 6:30 pm	<b>11</b> Coffee 8:00 am Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm Potluck 5:00 pm	<b>12</b> <b>Pickleball 9:00am</b> <b>Men's Breakfast 8:00</b> Chair Yoga 11:00 am Gourds 1:00 pm <b>GOLF</b> Poker 5:30 pm	<b>13</b> Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Quilters 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm	<b>14</b> Pickleball 9:00 am  Social Hour 4:00 pm	<b>15</b> Craft Market 9:00 am  Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm
<b>16</b>  Bingo 2:00 pm	<b>17</b> St. Patrick's Day Pickleball 9:00 am Arts & Crafts 1:00 pm Poker 5:30 pm Ping Pong 6:30 pm	<b>18</b> Coffee 8:00 am Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Outdoor Concert 2:00 Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm	<b>19</b> <b>Pickleball 9:00am</b> Board Meeting 10:00 am Chair Yoga 11:00 am Gourds 1:00 pm <b>GOLF</b> Poker 5:30 pm	<b>20</b> Outdoor Games 10:00 Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Quilters 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm Bunco 4:00pm	<b>21</b> Pickleball 9:00 am Social Meeting 9:00 am Social Hour 4:00 pm	<b>22</b> Coffee Chat 9:00 am  Texas Hold'em 2:10 pm
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# THE HIGHLANDS FLING April 2025



## APRIL EVENTS

### APRIL OPEN BOARD MEETING

Please submit agenda items to the office by Wednesday, April 9. All are welcome at the Board Meeting on **Wednesday, April 16 at 10:00 am.**

The next Open Board Meeting will be the 3rd Wednesday in October, October 15.

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## MEN'S BREAKFAST

**Wednesday, April 9th**

The next Men's Breakfast will be at the Ole Mexican Grill located at 2080 W Orange Grove Rd. The sign-up sheet is located in the Clubhouse. Just FYI the restaurant does not open until 8AM. Please sign up by 5PM on April 7th so that I may give the restaurant an accurate headcount. 17 people attended the March breakfast. Don't forget your pins! If you don't have one, I'll get you one!! Steve Horst.

## BOOK CLUB

**April 14, 10 am, Resource Room**

Highlands Book Club is reading "The Talented Mr. Ripley," by Patricia Highstreet. Oro Valley Public Library has supplied us with several copies, with one paperback and a CD audio version still available for loan. Contact the office if you would like to claim one of these editions, and plan to join the conversation around this classic thriller on April 14, at 10 am in the Resource Room.

## HORAC

**TAN, Tuesday, April 15, 2025  
2:00 PM, Concert by the Pool**

Ruckus will be playing for us. Come and enjoy an afternoon of our own musicians playing songs we love and enjoy singing along with.

**REMINDER:** Another morning of outdoor events scheduled at the miniature golf location, Thursday, April 17th at 10:00 AM. Look forward to more great activities sponsored by HORAC next Fall when the snowbirds fly into Oro Valley again.

## INTERNATIONAL LUNCHEON

**Thursday, April 24th**

The Canyon's Crown Restaurant & Pub, 6958 E. Tanque Verde Rd, Tucson, AZ  
This is a family-owned, British-style sports bar. Meet at the clubhouse at 11:15 am and we will carpool.

## GRILL YOUR OWN MEAT



**Saturday, April 12,  
at the Clubhouse**

The Social Committee would like to say farewell to our snowbirds, with an event we call "Grill your own Meat". This event will take place, in place of the monthly potluck. At 5:00 pm we will have the grill ready on our back patio. You bring whatever you would like to grill, and we will provide for your dining experience, beans, salad, potatoes & dessert. Tickets are being sold for this event \$5.00 per person. See Jamie Horst or Ed Triplett.

## HIGHLAND'S QUILTERS THANK YOU

The Highland's Quilters would like to thank everyone for attending our Quilter's Open House.

This year our theme was "Come Bloom With Us". On display were many beautiful floral quilts along with special quilts made by our talented quilters and the children quilts for CPS. Demonstrations were given by Ginny Tanner, Racheal Molinar, Joan Clow, and Lori Tendler.

A special thank you to our raffle donations people: Jeanmarie Nutt for donating an antique Sunbonnet Sue Quilt won by Wendy Pickar. Chris Ardingo for making a Southwest theme Tuffet stool won by Jean Jackson. A quilt donated by our previous leader Jean Visgar friends was won by Dale Tschive.

This past year we made a total of 58 children quilts and 30 duffle bags for Children Protective Services.

We will continue to make children quilts for our community service projects. These children really appreciate our quilts. The quilt gives them a sense of security, warmth and love.

We truly appreciate The Highlands support and generosity for our mission projects. Thank you!



## ARTS & CRAFTS OPEN HOUSE

**Monday, April 7th**

**Resource Room, 1:00 PM**

The Arts and Crafts committee is going to be hosting an Open House to wind up the 24-25 season. Stop in at the Resource Room around 1:00p.m. for some refreshments, and a time to visit and look back on some of our projects from this past year. We will also be sharing some ideas and showing a few things that we are working on to plan for next season. Bring any ideas of things you might like to do next year also. No need to sign up. See you there!

## APRIL BIRTHDAYS

4/1 Diane Jacobs  
4/5 Steve Johnson  
4/6 Morris Coville  
4/7 Brian Tomac  
4/17 Donna Baumbach  
4/21 Jesse McManus  
4/26 Lucy Phelan  
4/27 Bud Bates  
4/28 Gary Wilkenson  
4/30 Marg Rehnberg

## WELCOME TO THE HIGHLANDS!

Brian & Linda Walter at  
125 Matterhorn Street

## CARDS SENT

Randy Shouse—Thinking of You  
Virginia Brooks—Thinking of You  
Bob Carlson (Pat) -  
Sympathy, Loss of her Sister  
Ray Scantlan—Get Well

## ACTIVITIES IN THE HIGHLANDS

If you're interested in an activity that's happening in the clubhouse and would like to hear more about it, here is some contact information:

Bingo - Donna Fritz

(509) 690-4953

Book Club - Valerie Day

(717) 475-9091

Chair Yoga - Susan Weber

(505) 927-4216

Hand & Foot - Rosie

Bussman (520) 400-1330

HORAC- Ron Wehl,

(231) 292-2554

Poker - Reed Snell

(520) 668-0135

Texas Hold'em - Bob Beck

(520) 579-6399

Social Hour - Bernie Lee

(520) 409-8709

## *Enjoy Spring in the desert!*



**"Spring: sunshine, flowers,  
and fresh starts." – Unknown**

*We wish everyone  
a Happy Easter.  
Stay safe and healthy!*



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and have decided on Kent Hind's company "Glimmering Pools". He has already gotten our pool and hot tub back into excellent shape, passing an annual surprise inspection by the county in March. And - as to the emptying of the water. Yes, this still has to be done and yes, we are waiting for the cooler month of November. There will be no break in service over the Easter holiday.

## CLUBHOUSE IMPROVEMENT UPDATE:

The clubhouse committee, a group of 6, has put a lot of work and expertise into ideas to carry on our clubhouse update. They gave a nice presentation at the open info meeting. Samples will be on display in the clubhouse for viewing. If you have suggestions please contact Cindy Bennett, Mary Rausch, Ron Weihl, Alicia Gatti, Duane Stafford or Chuck Ardingo. The next info meeting will be in October.

## MORE STORAGE??

Should we use a couple of spaces in the RV lot for storage units? You can help decide this – along with rules to use, trial period, charge, ownership ... If you have strong ideas, pro-con, please come to an open info meeting.

## SPAMS ABOUND:

They'll try anything. If you get an unsolicited post card about your home insurance, or other services - it will look so official. Before leaping to respond, examine it. Ask neighbors. Protect your assets.

## SUMMER FLING:

Summer – a growing number of residents remain here all summer. There still are all sorts of activities. The Fling will be published each month, and for the summer months they will not be delivered to your home. They can be found at the office, or the Clubhouse or Online.

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## OPEN BOARD MEETING COMMUNITY INPUT:

*Community register concerns/requests.*

We addressed a resident suggestion to replace the old, tattered blinds in the clubhouse. Dave Armstrong quickly gathered three quotes - all over \$3000. This has to be considered in a later budget and perhaps a part of the Clubhouse Update.

From this suggestion, a form has been created for community input or suggestions. A copy can be gotten from, and returned to, Diane in the office.

Another concern addressed was a step issue around the Resource Room. Suggestion - watch your step there. It is lit for after dark.

## SECURITY CAMERAS:

Tony Bettens is doing research on solutions for this project. We are investigating the LPR system (License Plate Reading) first for the entrance. Even the lower-end systems are costly though - like in the \$4-5K range. One resident has offered up a sum of money if other residents would also chip in. If this is a possibility, please talk with Tony. We are phasing the clubhouse/pool camera into next year. Thank you.

## THE POOL ISSUES

Our pool is a beautiful asset, enjoyed by many. We have finally settled on a long-term solution for keeping it sparkling, clean and "glimmering"



# APRIL 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b> April Fool's Day Coffee 8:00 am  Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10pm	<b>2</b> <b>Pickleball 8:00 am</b> Chair Yoga 11:00 am  Poker 5:30 pm	<b>3</b>  Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Quilters 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10pm	<b>4</b> <b>Pickleball 8:00 am</b>  Social Hour 4:00 pm	<b>5</b>  Texas Hold'em 2:10pm
<b>6</b>  Bingo 2:00 pm	<b>7</b> <b>Pickleball 8:00 am</b> <b>Arts &amp; Crafts 1:00 pm</b> Poker 5:30 pm Ping Pong 6:30 pm	<b>8</b> Coffee 8:00 am  Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10pm	<b>9</b> <b>Pickleball 8:00 am</b> <b>Men's Breakfast 8:00</b> Chair Yoga 11:00 am Poker 5:30 pm	<b>10</b> <b>HQ RAC Meeting 9:00</b> Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Quilters 1:00 pm Texas Hpld'em 2:10pm Bunco 4:00 pm	<b>11</b> <b>Pickleball 8:00 am</b>  Social Hour 4:00 pm	<b>12</b> Coffee Chat 9:00 <b>Texas Hpld'em 2:10pm</b> Grill your own Meat 5:pm
<b>13</b> Passover  Bingo 2:00 pm	<b>14</b> <b>Pickleball 8:00 am</b> Book Club 10:00 am <b>Arts &amp; Crafts 1:00 pm</b> Poker 5:30 pm Ping Pong 6:30 pm	<b>15</b> Coffee 8:00 am Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Outdoor Concert 2:00p Texas Hold'em 2:10pm	<b>16</b> <b>Pickleball 8:00 am</b> Board Meeting 10:00 a <b>Chair Yoga 11:00 am</b> Poker 5:30 pm	<b>17</b> Outdoor Games 10:00a Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Quilters 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10pm	<b>18</b> Good Friday <b>Pickleball 8:00 am</b> Social Meeting 9:00 am  Social Hour 4:00 pm	<b>19</b>  Texas Hold'em 2:10pm
<b>20</b> Easter  Bingo 2:00 pm	<b>21</b> <b>Pickleball 8:00 am</b> <b>Arts &amp; Crafts 1:00 pm</b> Poker 5:30 pm Ping Pong 6:30 pm	<b>22</b> Earth Day Coffee 8:00 am  Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10pm	<b>23</b> Admin Assist Day <b>Pickleball 8:00 am</b> Chair Yoga 11:00 am  Poker 5:30 pm	<b>24</b> <b>International Lunch 11:15</b> Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Quilters 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10pm Bunco 4:00 pm	<b>25</b> <b>Pickleball 8:00 am</b>  Social Hour 4:00 pm	<b>26</b> Coffee Chat 9:00  Texas Hold'em 2:10pm
<b>27</b>  Bingo 2:00 pm	<b>28</b> <b>Pickleball 8:00 am</b> <b>Arts &amp; Crafts 1:00 pm</b> Poker 5:30 pm Ping Pong 6:30 pm	<b>29</b> Coffee 8:00 am  Hand & Foot 1:00 pm Texas Hold'em 2:10pm	<b>30</b> <b>Pickleball 8:00 am</b> Chair Yoga 11:00 am  Poker 5:30 pm			
		Notes:			All Activities Held in the Clubhouse/Pool EXCEPT:  <b>Green= Resource Room</b> <b>Red= Off Site Activity</b>	