

MEMBERSHIP, RESERVATIONS, PROGRAMS, LUNCHEON

MEMBERSHIP

You must be a Connections member to participate in any of the Connections activities.

Your check for **\$20**, along with a Membership Form, should be mailed to

CONNECTIONS: PO BOX 5314, SUN CITY WEST, AZ 85376.

Make checks payable to CONNECTIONS!

Forms are available on our website, at luncheons

or from Sue Truax

Call 402-320-9225 for more information.

Please PRINT clearly on form.

President's Corner



"Best friends are like diamonds, precious & rare. False friends are like leaves, found everywhere!"

Unknown

LUNCHEON RESERVATIONS

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS & CANCELLATIONS IS 6 PM ON MONDAY PRIOR TO LUNCH

One check per reservation please—No Exceptions!!

If you are bringing a guest write a separate check for \$25. with guest name on memo line.

Use the memo line on your check to indicate: Month luncheon (i.s. MAY lunch); if you want to sit with someone; if you need a vegetarian or gluten-free meal (pasta, veggie plate or chicken breast). No carry-out orders allowed. Prepay for the following month at the luncheon or mail your check by THURSDAY prior to lunch to make sure we receive it in time.

Send to: Connections, P.O. Box 5314, Sun City West, AZ 85376

LUNCHEON RESERVATIONS CONTACTS

ELEANOR O'BRIEN 584-09870R

MYRNA PACKER 215-5572

Social Hour: 11 A.M.—Luncheon—11:30 A.M.

Sunshine

Susan Means—Get Well



PROGRAMS

Oct: Games will be held after the luncheon

Nov. "Fiddlesticks; Ellen Zacko on fiddle; Jody Yoemans on guitar and vocals; Don Mace on acoustic bass

If you have a suggestion for a program, contact Barbara Brennan at 602-524-4195

CONNECTIONS MONTHLY LUNCHEONS BRIARWOOD CC

Oct. 10 **Quiche Lorraine with spinach and bacon; fresh fruit cup; fresh baked jumbo cookie**

Gluten Free & Vegetarian:

Crustless Spinach Frittata w/tomato and Onion

Nov. 7 **Roast turkey dinner w/all the fixins!**

Gluten Free & Vegetarian

Roast Turkey Plate

Grilled vegetable plate

***Cranberry bread** served at all meals unless specified differently. Coffee, Iced Tea and Tea are available at each luncheon.

ABSOLUTELY NO SUBSTITUTIONS CONCERNS ABOUT THE MENU: CALL Facilities!

2019—2020 EXECUTIVE BOARD

President	Millie Smith	623-546-8328
Vice President	Barbara Brennan	602-524-4195
Secretary	Rosemary Dougherty	760-8479
Treasurer	Mary Dow	218-224-7913
Facility Dir.	Liz Nagy	521-0138
Membership Dir. Assistant	Sue Truax Marilyn Zenz	402-320-9225 466-5405
Publications Dir. Assistant	Mary Monfre Barbara Brennan	321-537-1577 602-524-4195
Reservations Dir. Assistant	Eleanor O'Brien Myrna Packer	584-0987 734-2725
Advisor/Historian	Debbi Cornell	602-418-9351
Parliamentary/By Laws Advisor	Jo Boulet	214-2761

2019—2020 STANDING COMMITTEES

Reservations Assistant	Eleanor O'Brien Myrna Packer	584-0987 215-5572
Facilities Assistant	Liz Nagy Kathleen Hale	521-0138 214-7513
Hospitality Chair Assistant	Carolyn Wurts Pauline Maxwell	243-7176 251-5950
Publicity/Website	Mary Monfre	321-537-1577
Photographer	Linda Napier	704-996-4590
Programs	Barbara Brennan	602-524-4195
Recruitment	Elizabeth Santero	546-2782
Sunshine Assistant	Merrilee Peterson Rosemarie Read	975-4469 214-9712
Ways & Means Assistants	Jan Vejraska Gerry Zopf Helene Quillin	975-0645 214-8504 584-4085



Connections' Mission:

The purpose of this club is to provide a format for Sun City West women to meet other local women, get acquainted, form enduring friendships, and support worthy causes within the community.

2019—2020 SOCIAL COMMITTEES

Book Lovers Book Lovers Asst.	Sandra Hoffman Karen Hunter	480-747-4015 544-6984
Bridge—Couples	Debbi Cornell Terry Hayes	602-418-9351 323-363-9477
Bridge Ladies Duplicate	Myrna Packer Roberta Keating	215-5572 214-6514
Bridge Ladies Social	Beverly Jenkins	602-738-8469
Couples Hand and Foot H&F Asst.	Eleanor O'Brien Bev Ash	584-0987 518-9883
Evening Mexican Train	Dodie Thill	214-7185
Dine Out Dinner Clubs	Sue Truax	402-320-9225
Dine In Dinner Clubs	Marilyn Sage	515-314-9291
Gal Pals	Sandra Hinkes	523-3626
Golf Chicks With Sticks	Kathy Adams	547-5268
Ladies Hand & Foot	Fran Mills	594-1631
Luncheon Games/Bridge	Barbara Bostrom Linda Rusch	695-2645 503-397-1557
Games At The Heritage Mahjonn	Debbi Cornell Fran Mills	602-418-9351 594-1631
PuPu Parties	Carole Rhodes Judy Strachan	352-408-6545 320-296-6613
Sunday Brunch	Rosemary Dougherty	760-8479
Sunday Brunch Asst.	Judy Hodgins	702-278-1292

NOTE: Area code is 623 unless specified

Committee Chair Reports

Bylaw Change

The Executive Board at the request of the Membership Director shared its preference for dealing with renewed memberships at the beginning of the calendar year rather than at the beginning of our fiscal year. They felt taking on the new job of Membership in the summer would be made easier and also felt it would be easier for our part-time residents as they prepare to leave in the spring. I have received their direction to present this change to the membership at the October General Monthly Luncheon Meeting.

The following Bylaws change affects two sections and is for your consideration. It will be voted on at the November General Monthly Luncheon Meeting and will be effective immediately. Your 2019-2020 renewed dues would be prorated for the first year.

ARTICLE VIII DUES

Section 8.1 currently reads: New Members joining and paying dues January through April shall be considered paid Members until April 30 of the following year.

The proposed change would read: New Members joining and paying dues September through December shall be considered paid Members until December 31 of the following year. (see Standing Rules)

And also...

Section 8.2 currently reads: Connections operates on a fiscal year running May to April. Annual dues are renewable in March and are delinquent after April 30. (see Standing Rules)

The proposed change would read: Annual dues are renewable beginning in November and are delinquent after December 31. (see Standing Rules)

Submitted by Parliamentary/Bylaws Advisor, Jo Boulet



GENERAL MEETING MINUTES—SEPTEMBER 12, 2019

President Millie Smith called the meeting to order at 11:30am.

SECRETARY'S MINUTES: The Secretary's minutes were sent out via email. They will be filed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Mary Dow reported a balance of \$15,738.72. Thank you, Mary for your verbal report.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

The treasurer has an outstanding statement from UPS. President Millie asked if anyone is holding a receipt and no one responded.

Eleanor O'Brien has volunteered to be Chair for Hand and Foot Nominating Committee Chair is Jan Vejraska

President Millie stated walk-ins for luncheons are not acceptable.

Contact Eleanor O'Brien, if a problem

REPORTS OF OFFICERS: Barbara Brennan stated that the Tour to Barleens is sold out with 48 seats. Tours is thinking about an October 26th trip to the Verde Canyon Railroad. It would be \$139.00 for bus and the railroad. Lunch would be on your own.

Jo Boulet said the bylaws look different. There were clerical errors and the By-laws are made easier to read now

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Kathy Adams is trying for two golf tournaments, one in January and one in April with twilight golfing.

Rosemarie Reed sent several cards

Carole Rhodes- PuPu parties have 3 groups going

Sue Truax- Membership Director has put membership forms on the table. Also as Dine Out Chair said she has two groups one close dining and one further afield dining. All information is in the newsletter

Debbie Cornell- Couples Bridge is 1st Tuesday evenings, need couples so sign up. Also Games at the Heritage are the first Thursdays and fourth Mondays

Eleanor O'Brien- Couples Hand and Foot. She wants to get started in November. Meets the first Friday at 6:30pm in homes

Marilyn Sage- Dine In. Four couples meet in homes the 3rd Sunday every month.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Kathy Adams introduced new members and guests.

Jan Vejraska's words of wisdom: The Posse has found a lot of unlocked windows and back slider doors opened. It is very easy to gain access. Please lock your windows and slider doors.

The next General Meeting will be October 10th.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:50pm

Rosemary Dougherty

Committee Chair Reports



GAMES AT THE HERITAGE

Lunch & Games—please join us from 12-4 at The Heritage, 4th floor. Just let the receptionist know you are with Connections when you sign in. Let's donate the first 1/2 hour or so to social time, and if you want to bring your lunch and a drink, that's great! Arby's & Dairy Queen are around the corner if you can't find your lunch box. Bring the game you want to play and let's have fun! Chit chat, laughter and fun are all encouraged. We need a clever name for this group—all suggestions are welcomed! We meet the first Thursday, and the 4th Monday. Any questions, contact us! It is a very quiet peaceful room—at least until we get to laughing!!!

Debbi Cornell
602-418-9351
djzonia@gmail.com



Elizabeth Santero
546-2782
connect5314@yahoo.com

Ways & Means

The Ways & Means Committee will have a basketball raffle at the October luncheon...so remember to bring an extra dollar or two! REMEMBER...our proceeds go to benefit very worthwhile non-profits in SCW, such as the Pose, Prides, Meals on Wheels, etc. Thanks!

Jan Vejraska
975-0645
javeraska@gmail.com

Committee Chair Report (con't.)

MEMBERSHIP

Changes anyone??! Did you move, change your email address or switch phone numbers? Please let Membership Director Sue Truax know, so that we can update our Connection records. Reach Sue at the email below!

Sue Truax, Membership Director
glenandsuetruax@cox.net
402-320-9225

DINE OUT

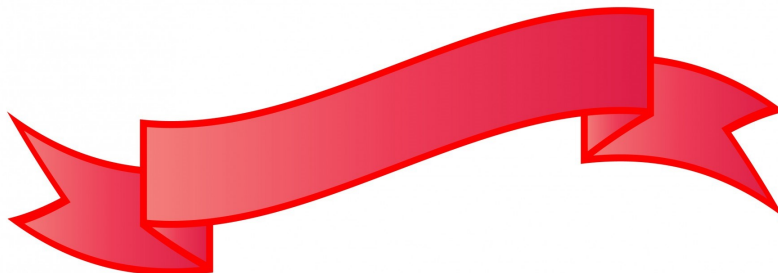
Did you intend to sign up for Dine Out but blew the deadline? There's always time and room for more substitutes. Send an email or call Dine Out Chair Sue Truax at glenandsuetruax@cox.net or 402-320-9225. Specify if you want to sub for Regular Dine Out, which stays close to Sun City West, or Farther Afield Dine Out, if you don't mind driving a bit farther for a meal. Or you can be a sub for both groups.

Sue Truax, Dine Out Chair
glenandsuetruax@cox.net
402-320-9225

CHICKS WITH STICKS

I will be at the meeting Thursday, October 10th signing up golfers for a tournament in January. I need 20 ladies to show interest. If I do not get 20, then we will just have one tournament in March! With 20 sign-ups, we will try and have two tournaments—one in January, one in April. We will play twilight golf. Nibbles and drinks after golf to award prizes. All registration monies will be given out in prizes. You pay your own green fees—one price covers any number of holes you wish to play! I will be collecting your money in November!

Kathy Adams
tweetyaz@aol.com
547-5268



COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS (cont.)

COUPLES BRIDGE

We have four new couples for this rotation, but we always need subs! If you would like to join us, contact Debbi Cornell. We play the first Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. in member homes.

Debbi Cornell
djzonie@gmail.com
602-418-9351



SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Merrilee Peterson and Rosemarie Read are the Sunshine Committee. When a member or close family member is ill please let us know so we can send a card. We also send sympathy cards when there is a death in the family. We can both be reached by email or phone.

Merrilee Peterson - 623-975-4469; map5402@aol.com
Rosemarie Read—623-214-9712; rhr39@outlook.com

GAMES/HOSTESS DUTIES

If you have signed up to play any of our games, please be courteous enough to notify the hostess if you need to cancel!

If hosting a Connections event in your home, please advise your guests if you have a pet! Many people are allergic to pets and could have a severe reaction!

Thank you!



COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS (cont.)

COUPLES MEXICAN TRAIN

We will begin Mexican Train in January. Please call or email me if you are interested in playing. I will also have a sign up sheet at the November Connections luncheon.

Dodi Thill
eddodi@cox.net
623-214-7185



PUPU Parties

PUPU Parties are informal and take place in various homes. Sign up can be done at the monthly luncheons or by calling me. There are three four month sessions per year. I am responsible for placing all participants into groups and advising the members of their group and who will host. Members provide heavy appetizers (PuPu's) and BYOB. The hostess provides plates, silverware (plastic is fine) and napkins. Parties usually start between 5 and 5:30 p.m.

The PuPu parties are a great way to meet new and old friends and enjoy good food in the bargain! Feel free to call with any questions.

Carole Rhodes
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602-908-6619



COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS (cont.)

DINE IN

Dine In is held the 3rd Sunday of every month. Hostess provides the entrée, and the other 3 couples provide the balance of the meal, i.e. appetizers, side dish, dessert. The hostess will usually provide guidance based on the entrée she intends to serve. If you like sticking closer to home to enjoy a great meal, this is the activity for you! If you have any questions before signing up, call or send me an email! Thanks.

Marilyn Sage
mared1252@msn.com
515-314-9291



COUPLES HAND & FOOT

We play the 1st Friday of each month in the evening starting at 6:30 PM. We play from November through April and rotate couples and homes. If you would like to join us, please give one of us a call. If you are unable to commit to the whole season we can always use subs. A couple is defined as at least one Connections member.

Eleanor O'Brien
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584-0987

Bev Ash
ashbev3@gmail.com
518-9883



COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS (cont.)

GAL PALS

The weather is cooling off, so we can try some fun outings to enjoy it! Suggestions are always welcome! Come and join the fun....

Sandy Hinkes
sandyhinkes9@gmail.com
546-7725



FACEBOOK

Connections Facebook is up and alive!

I have been posting the activities, however, it would be very helpful if the Chair ladies and membership would post.

If you need help to find it or how to use our page Call me! Thanks!

Sandie Lauren
sg99@yahoo.com
415-813-0886



SUNDAY BRUNCHES

Please contact Rosemary Dougherty or Judy Hodgins if you would like to attend the Sunday brunches. They are the first Sunday of each month in member homes. We start at 11 a.m. and members bring a dish that the hostess suggests.

Rosemary Dougherty
rosemaryd4@cox.net
623-760-8479

Judy Hodgins
jhodgin@yahoo.com
702-278-1292



COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS (cont.)



TOURS

Barleens Trip—December 7th—SOLD OUT****

Checks have to be in by Monday, November 18th

Make checks out to “CONNECTIONS” with Barleens on memo line

Mail checks to Marilyn Kloha, 20606 N. 142nd Ave. SCW 85375

For Reservations/Cancellations/Waitlist:

Marilyn Kloha 623-546-1692 mkmiaz@live.com

Verde Canyon Railroad October 26, 2019

If you are thinking of going with us on this train ride, please let Marilyn Kloha (546-1692) know as soon as possible. We still need at least 6 people or we have to cancel! The last date for reservations is Thursday, October 17. See trip information below. Contact Marilyn with any questions!

Board the Verde Canyon Railroad for a four-hour diesel train journey to all places only accessible by rail. **Price: \$139.00 Per Person** Coach Class Tour Includes: Transportation, Ride on the Verde Canyon Railroad. Pick Up Location: Sun City West Recreation 19803 North RH Johnson Blvd, Sun City West AZ (Meet between Aisle #8 and #9) Approximate Departure Time: 7:45am Approximate Return Time: Between 7:30pm to 8pm **CHECKS: Made out to FORD'S WORLD TRAVEL, Memo: TRAIN.** DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS AND CANCELLATIONS Thursday, October 18, 2019 NO REFUNDS AFTER OCTOBER 17! This trip is open to Connection members and their friends. SIGN UP...CONNECTION'S LUNCHEON OCTOBER 10 OR EMAIL....mkmiaz@live.com OR call Marilyn Kloha...623-546-1692 MAIL CHECK/CHECKS TO MARILYN KLOHA ONCE YOU'VE MADE YOUR RESERVATION/ RESERVATIONS TO...Marilyn Kloha 20606 N. 142nd Ave. SCW, AZ 85375 Board the bus with the FREE SPIRIT sign in the window! This tour is taken in a full-size motor coach with a restroom on board. We also do a comfort stop about every 2 hours. Lunch on your own at the train station before boarding the train.

SUMMER FUN



New Members: Irene Biel and Shirley Row-



New Members: Jackie Britt and Carmen Devenney



PuPu Party at Mary Lou Irons with Debbie Cornell and Bob Hunter



Elaine Gardom enjoying her PuPu's!



The "unidentified" guests!!



The Hosts: Mary Lou & Dave



Mary Lou & Linda Napier, our favorite photographer