

January, 2024



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, scwconnections.com

at luncheons

or from Eleanor O'Brien and Nancy Pines

LUNCHEON RESERVATIONS **

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS 6 P.M. ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2024

DEADLINE FOR CANCELLATIONS IS 6 P.M. ON MONDAY FEBRUARY 5, 2024

One check per reservation please—No Exceptions!! Cost for members and guests is \$33.00.

If you are bringing a guest write a separate check for \$33.00 with guest name on the memo line. Use the memo line on your check to indicate: Month luncheon (i.e. MAY lunch); if you want to sit with someone; or if you need a vegetarian or gluten-free meal. No carry-out orders allowed

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

LUNCHEON RESERVATIONS CONTACT

ELEANOR O'BRIEN 623-584-0987 OR 952-270-5325

IF NO ANSWER PLEASE LEAVE A MESSAGE FOR A RETURN CALL

Please respect our request to **NOT** arrive before 11 AM

CONNECTIONS LUNCHEON

Briarwood Country Club

February 8, 2024

Special Guest Speaker

Chicken Parmesan, Spaghetti, Bread & Cookie

Coffee (Regular & Decaf) Iced and Hot Tea

Rolls & Butter

The gluten free and vegan option is a Cobb Salad

ABSOLUTELY NO SUBSTITUTIONS

Website: scwconnections.com

2022-2023 EXECUTIVE BOARD



President	Kay Coffey	505-7697
Vice President	Kathy Adams	623-547-5268
Secretary	Charlotte McCorry	556-4338
Treasurer	Nancy Pines	623-734-4137
Facility Dir.	Shirley Sonsalla	507-993-0697
Membership Dir.	Eleanor O'Brien	952-270-5325
	Nancy Pines	734-4137
Publications Dir.	Mary Monfre	321-537-1577
Reservations Dir.	Eleanor O'Brien	623-584-0987
Assistant	Fran DeWell	623-680-1605
Advisor/Historian	Barbara Brennan	602-524-4195
Parliamentary/By Laws Advisor	Debbi Cornell	602-418-9351

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.

2021-2022 SOCIAL COMMITTEES

			Book Lovers	Pat Michel	412-613-0419
			Bridge—Couples	Myrna Packer	734-2725
			Bridge Ladies Duplicate	Myrna Packer	734-2725
			Bridge Women's Club	Beverly Jenkins	602-738-8469
				Marilyn Sage	515-314-9291
			Hand & Foot—Evenings	Eleanor O'Brien	584-0987
			Mexican Train—Evenings	Kay Coffey	505-7697

2021-2022 STANDING COMMITTEES

Audit	Marilyn Sage	515-314-9291
Facebook	Sandy Lauren	415-813-0886
Hospitality	Carolyn Wurts	243-7176
	Pauline Maxwell	251-5950
Publications/ Website	Mary Monfre	321-537-1577
Photographer	Jackie Britt	602-999-7270
Programs	Kathy Adams	623-547-5268
Publicity	Rosemary Dougherty	623-760-8479
		Luncheon Games/Bridge
		Luncheon Games/H&F
Sunshine	Rosemary Dougherty	623-760-8479
	Jackie Britt	602 -999-7270
Ways & Means	Corrine Povich	623-261-7878
Assistants	Terrie Morrissey	480-522-5083
	Thelma Halloran	847-212-1930
	Stephanie Rogall	544-0735

NOTE: Area code is 623 unless specified

CIRCLE OF FRIENDS



“A friend is one of life’s most beautiful gifts.”



Wow! Here we are getting ready to celebrate Valentine’s Day at our February Lunch. It seems each year the days go faster.

I hope you are all taking part in some of the many opportunities Connections offers as ways to increase our circle of friends. Whether you enjoy card games, book clubs, dining out, movies or PuPu parties all these are available with Connections membership. Our monthly meetings also offer a delicious lunch followed by a brief presentation about things we, as ladies of a certain age, really need to know. A big thank you to Kathy Adams for arranging these programs.

On the administrative side, dues of \$20.00 are payable now and delinquent April 30. Nominating Committee will be contacting members to fill the slate of officers for 2024/25. There will be a raffle for a Valentine’s Day Basket at the February Luncheon.

Remember there is nothing better than a friend, unless it is a friend with chocolate!

KAY!

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CONNECTIONS LUNCH RESERVATION REMINDER

I can be reached at 623-584-0987 for any questions or concerns. Please remember to always leave a message if you don't reach me. I always follow up all phone calls. Please make note of date deadlines on the next page!

Send your checks for **\$33.00** to: Connections, PO B0x 5314, Sun City West, AZ 85376

Please respect our request to NOT arrive before 11:00 AM

11:00 to 11:30 Social Time

11:30 Lunch served

12:30 General Meeting and Program for the day

Eleanor O'Brien

Luncheon Reservations Director

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2024 CONNECTIONS RESERVATION AND LUNCH MENU INFORMATION

Cost of luncheon is \$33.00. Reservations are required. One check per reservation please - NO exception! On guest checks, please write "guest/her name" in lower left-hand corner.

Questions may be directed to Luncheon Reservations Director:
Eleanor O'Brien at 623-584-0987 (always leave a message for a return call)

NOTE: For those that are *Gluten free, Vegetarian or Vegan*

A COBB SALAD is the alternate meal

Please indicate on your check if an Alternate meal is required

February 8, 2024 Chicken Parmesan, Spaghetti, Bread & Cookie

RESERVATION DEADLINE: 6 PM Thursday, February 1

CANCELLATION DEADLINE: 6 PM Monday, February 5

March 14, 2024 Corned Beef and cabbage, potatoes, bread & Cookie

RESERVATION DEADLINE: 6 PM Wednesday, March 6

CANCELLATION DEADLINE: 6 PM Monday, March 11

April 11, 2024 Steak fajita salad, fruit cup, roll & Cookie

RESERVATION DEADLINE: 6 PM Wednesday, April 3

CANCELLATION DEADLINE: 6 PM Monday, April 8

May 9, 2024 Turkey Club, House made chips & Cookie

RESERVATION DEADLINE: 6 PM Wednesday, May 1

CANCELLATION DEADLINE: 6 PM Monday, May 6

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CONNECTIONS GOES TO THE MOVIES

AMC Surprise Pointe 14

13649 N. Litchfield Rd, Surprise, AZ

The movie group usually goes on a Monday or a Tuesday for the 1st showing of the day.

Tickets are 30% off on the 1st showing and sometimes 2nd showing. If you become a STUBS Member you get additional % off.

Depending on show time, we meet for brunch/lunch either before or after the movie at Nick's, which is in the adjoining parking lot w/the theatre or at a nearby restaurant. We buy our tickets online and sit in Row C. You can sit anywhere you like, but most of us prefer Row C.

Barbara Brennan will post the date and time of movie on Connections Face Book page and ask Mary Monfre to send out an email to the members announcing date and time.

January 23rd, we will see Boys in the Boat! Time will be announced as soon as it is available. Lunch at Nick's either before or after the movie!

SEE YA AT THE MOVIES!!! 🍿

DINE OUT

Also this is a reminder that Dine Out starts this month. Hopefully, you have gotten your dates set and are ready to begin.

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Kathy Adams

tweetyaz2014@gmail.com

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BUNCO

We are looking for more members to sign up for Bunco! We play on the 4th Monday of each month at 10 a.m. Hosting is at different member homes. Please contact me if you are interested in playing full time or going on the sub list!

Kay Coffee

kaycoffee2@aol.com

BOOK CLUB

Pat Michel and Nancy Pines are the chairs of this group. We meet the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 1 p.m. with each meeting hosted by a different member.

The December meeting will be a social event and book exchange party.

The book for February is "Still Missing". We will be meeting at Kathy Adams home.

Pat Michel

Nancy Pines

PROGRAMS

Over the next three months we are going to cover the following programs at the Connections luncheon. We will have a program on therapy animals, we will have someone speak to us about drugs-covering Fentanyl and Narcan. We will also have a program on dementia.

Kathy Adams

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DINE IN

The dine-in group started the season with a picnic. After much discussion, it was decided that we would start in January. If anyone is interested in joining the dine-in group, please let me know. ASAP. It will be scheduled the 4th Sunday of each month.

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

SUNSHINE

Ladies, if you hear of anyone we should be sending a card to, please notify me. Thank you!

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

TOURS

Marilyn Kloha has a couple of tour dates ready for February! Next programs she is sponsoring are Barleens Real Country and Dolly Steamboat. If you are interested in signing up, please contact Marilyn at: mkmiaz@live.com or 623-546-1692.



**DOLLY STEAMBOAT & LUNCH
CANYON LAKE & TORTILLA FLAT
FEBRUARY 28, 2024**

\$165 pp

Travel the scenic, winding trail to Canyon Lake and board the Dolly Steamboat for a 90 minute narrated cruise of the secluded waterways of the “Junior Grand Canyon”. Enjoy incredible views of Canyon Lake and be on the lookout for bighorn sheep, bald eagles, and other wildlife!

Enjoy lunch and a visit to Tortilla Flat. It is the last surviving stage-coach stop along the Apache Trail.

Registration form was sent via email.

Make checks payable to Free Spirit Vacations

Mail check and registration form to:

Marilyn Kloha

20606 N 142nd Ave.

Sun City West, AZ 85375

BARLEENS REAL COUNTRY SHOW



Real Country 2023-2024

\$65. PP

If you like country music, this is the show for you! The Barleens gang performs hand-clappin', foot stompin', pickin' and grinning' country favorites!

Date: Saturday, February 24

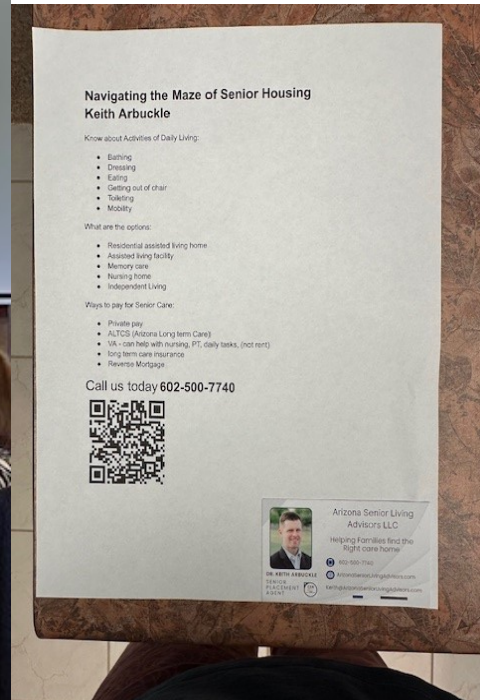
Deadline is February 17th to sign up and pay!

No refunds after the 17th!

Still have some seats available, so if interested, please contact Marilyn

Kloha mkmiaz@live.com or 586-260-5234.





Dr. Keith Arbuckle spoke at our January meeting. He is the owner of Arizona Senior Living Advisors. They specialize in providing senior living options by helping navigate senior care through various type housing facilities. Additionally, they advise seniors about financial resources and where to find them. He conducted a question and answer session at the end of his address.

Our book club gals posed for a photo!



Then we celebrated our January Birthday "Girls"

