

Nov. 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

LUNCHEON RESERVATIONS **

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS 6 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, NOV. 6, 2024

DEADLINE FOR CANCELLATIONS IS 6 P.M. ON MONDAY NOV. 11, 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

Lunch is served at 11:40 a.m.

CONNECTIONS LUNCHEON

Briarwood Country Club

November 28, 2024

BINGO!!!

A full Turkey Dinner

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

2024-2025 EXECUTIVE BOARD

CIRCLE OF
FRIENDS



President	Kathy Adams	623-547-5268
Vice President	Pat Michel	412-613-0419
Secretary		
Treasurer	Marilyn Sage	515-314-9291
Facility Dir.	Betty Drake	602-881-6646
Membership Dir.	Nancy Pines	623-734-4137

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.

2024-2025 SOCIAL COMMITTEES

Publications Dir.	Mary Monfre	321-537-1577	Book Lovers	Sandy Hinkes	623-523-3626
Reservations Dir.	Eleanor O'Brien	623-584-0987	Bridge—Couples	Myrna Packer	734-2725
Advisor/Historian	Kay Coffee	623-505-7697	Bridge Ladies Duplicate	Myrna Packer	734-2725
Parliamentary/By Laws Advisor	Kay Coffee	623-505-7697	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

2024-2025 STANDING COMMITTEES

Audit					
Facebook	Barbara Brennan	602-524-4195	Dine Out Dinner Clubs	Kathy Adams	547-5268
Hospitality	Carolyn Wurts	243-7176	Dine In Dinners	Marilyn Sage	515-314-9291
	Pauline Maxwell	251-5950			
Publications/Website	Mary Monfre	321-537-1577	Connections at the Movies	Barbara Brennan	602-524-4195
Photographer	Jackie Britt	602-999-7270	Golf Chicks With Sticks	Gerry Zopf	623-680-4140
Programs	Pat Michel	412-613-0419			
Publicity	Rosemary Dougherty	623-760-8479	Luncheon Games/Bridge	Fran Sandoval	399-6591
			Luncheon Games/H&F	Carolyn Daniels	951-214-5618
Sunshine	Rosemary Dougherty	623-760-8479	Mahjonn for Beginners	Debbi Cornell	602-418-9351
	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

Website: scwconnections.com

A Note from our President



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

I really like my friends!!

I am serving my second term as the Connections president and I am really surprised at all the changes. We have a hard time surviving in this inflated world. We should not have to beg every month to get the right number of ladies coming to our lunches every month but we do. I mean we really beg people to come and enjoy a social afternoon with friends in Connections. We realize that many of you leave for the summer (I do not blame you a bit) but when you do return we would like you to return to Connections. We have gotten older and face illnesses we never did before. Many people have passed away. That is very sad but we just have to accept that. Last time I was President in Connections we had almost 400 members. We had plenty of money for whatever we wanted to do. Now we barely have 140 members and we are begging people to come to at least 3 or 4 lunches a year so we can make our quota.

So I am asking you to talk to friends and neighbors and get them to come to the luncheons and join our fun group. I am trying to present a fun social event every month and last month I had a brunch. It was great fun and we had lots and lots of really good food. I held it at my house and we laughed and visited to our hearts content. I included both married couples and singles. This month we will have a pu pu party where we take an appetizer to share and we meet and share our yummy appetizers. It will once again be fun and it is open to both married couples and singles so please feel free to come and enjoy. In November we will try to put something together but in many cases if we do not get participation then we have to cancel the well laid plans. I want to offer a fun activity each and every month in the evening and also during the meeting. That way it will keep us busy and happy to be part of Connections. So I have some rules for you going forward.:

1. Participate in the activities we present to you. Nothing that we put together will take any special skills.
2. Beg your friends to join you at the club. Bring a guest or just get a friend to join. We are going to give some special prizes for people who bring friends.
3. You are absolutely not allowed to die. We need you in the club so stay healthy!

Hopefully I will see you at the luncheon for November and you can hear about some of the plans we have for the future. I really like my Connections friends and I hope to have many more this year.

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2024 - 2025 CONNECTIONS RESERVATION AND LUNCH MENU INFORMATION

Cost of luncheon (for member and/or guest) is \$33.00. Reservations are required. One check per reservation please - NO exception! On guest checks, please write "guest/her first and last 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 the memo line of your check if an Alternate meal is required

November 14, 2024 Turkey dinner, Dressing, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Cranberry Sauce, Rolls & Butter, Dessert

RESERVATION DEADLINE: 6 PM Wednesday, November 6

CANCELLATION DEADLINE: 6 PM Monday, November 11

December 12, 2024 Braised Short Ribs, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables
Rolls & Butter & White Chocolate Mousse

RESERVATION DEADLINE: 6 PM Wednesday, December 4

CANCELLATION DEADLINE: 6 PM Monday, December 9

January 9, 2025 TBD

RESERVATION DEADLINE: 6 PM Wednesday, January 1

CANCELLATION DEADLINE: 6 PM Monday, January 6

February 13, 2025 Chicken Parmesan, spaghetti, Rolls & Butter,
Ice Cream Sundae

RESERVATION DEADLINE: 6 PM Wednesday, February 5

CANCELLATION DEADLINE: 6 PM Monday, February 10

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March 13, 2025 Reuben Sandwich, House Made Chips, Cole Slaw & Cookie

RESERVATION DEADLINE: 6 PM Wednesday, March 5

CANCELLATION DEADLINE: 6 PM Monday, March 10

April 10, 2025 Briarwood Burger, House Made Chips, & Raspberry Sorbet

RESERVATION DEADLINE: 6 PM Wednesday, April 2

CANCELLATION DEADLINE: 6 PM Monday, April 8

May 8, 2025 TBD

RESERVATION DEADLINE: 6 PM Wednesday, April 30

CANCELLATION DEADLINE: 6 PM Monday, May 5

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CONNECTIONS GOES TO THE MOVIES



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AMC SURPRISE POINTE 14

13649 N. LITCHFIELD RD

Depending on what's showing, we try to see at least one movie a month. The most popular day is Tuesday, but we have gone on other days.

We normally have lunch either before or after the movie depending on which showing we attend.

You can go online and purchase your seat. We normally sit in Row C.

An email will be sent out letting everyone know what movie, date, time and which restaurant we will be eating at. It will also be posted on our Face Book page.

DUPLICATE BRIDGE

We have a first Friday Duplicate bridge group and a first Monday Duplicate bridge group. Myrna Packer heads the Friday group, and Candace Hodson runs the first Monday group. If interested in joining or becoming a sub, please contact Myrna!

Myrna Packer

myrnampacker@gmail.com

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DINE OUT



I am trying my best to rebalance the dine out groups and I need to know if you want to be included in the new groups.

I have one group of just ladies and I need more ladies to sign up. Let me know if you are interested.

I have another group of couples and I want to add one more couple. Let me know if you are not in a group and would like to be included.

If you wrote that you wanted to be in the dine out and no one has contacted you then this is your chance.

Simply email me with your phone number and your email and whether you are a single or a couple and I will accommodate you as quickly as possible. I am going to be

Kathy Adams

tweetyaz2014@gmail.com

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! If we can get enough players, Bunco will start up again next month!

Kay Coffee

kaycoffee2@aol.com



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BOOK CLUB



Calling on all Book Lovers to join us The 3rd Tuesday of the Month November 19th at 1000 to chat about - The Lady With The Dark Hair a novel by Erin Bartles. If you've not signed up yet you can email - scwcnxbookclub@gmail.com . We will keep you updated with what is going on in the Book Club. You don't have to read the book you can listen to our discussion and maybe you will want to read it later. We alternate the meetings between the Chair & Co-Chairs home. We hope to see you soon.

Sandy Hinkes
Book Club Chair

Membership

At our October Luncheon we kicked off our **'Bring a Guest'** to a Luncheon and for each Guest your name will go into a drawing for a free lunch at our February Luncheon. The drawing will be at our January 2025 luncheon. My goal is to increase our Membership by at least 20 and I Need Your Help. Each time you meet someone new or chat with a stranger talk up our Club and tell them to check us out at scwconnections.com - invite them to a luncheon!

See you next month
Nancy Pines
Membership
scwconnections67@gmail.com



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SUNSHINE

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

Jackie Britt

Jacqueline.britt@gmail.com



DAY TOURS

Ladies, I was so happy that I finally found someone at Kindred Tours in the shopping center.

I hope you all had a chance to look at the information about the upcoming day tours for November. About twice a month they have a mystery tour. You pay your money and they take you somewhere interesting and it includes a light lunch. They have vans that transport you and the pick up is in the Sun Dome parking lot. I am signing up for the Mystery tour on November 15, and also the Bisbee historic homes tours. You call the number **480-497-2478** to make reservations. You do the payment and all the paperwork directly with Kindred tours. You and the tour company do all the planning and the paperwork. I think it is wonderful that we have the possibility of doing some day tours. They also go to Barleens but you get a much better price through Marilyn at the club. There will be a new list of tours for December and January. It sounds like such fun. I hope you take advantage of the opportunity. One word of warning, make sure your date is free for you because you have to give a NON REFUNDABLE \$100 deposit. That is very necessary because the company has to hire the driver, the tour guide and the van.

Kathy Adams



Fund Raiser for Charity

Connections Luncheon Game

November 14th

Cards: 3 cards for \$5

or

\$2 a card—cash only.

Buy your cards before the luncheon

Note: Three games will be played—each game will be played on separate cards.

Game 1: X Bingo (Card will look like an X)

Game 2 & 3: Regular Bingo (consists of either across, column, or diagonal)



**WELCOME BACK
CONNECTIONS PU PU PARTY**

MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2024

Kay Coffey — Host

15121 W Gunsight Drive

5 – 7 pm

BRING AN APPETIZER TO SHARE AND YOB!

Sign up via email:

Kaycoffey2@aol.com

Or phone: 623-505-7697

By October 25th



November 28, 2024 BARLEEN'S MATINEE

GOBBLE, GOBBLE! 🇺🇸

On THANKSGIVING DAY, enjoy Barleen's traditional roast turkey dinner with all the trimmings. Then sit back and enjoy Barleen's musical variety and comedy show.

I STILL have 13 available seats...these **MUST BE FILLED** or I will have to raise the price to pay for the bus! As a reminder, this is a handicapped equipped bus!

COST: \$70.00 PP for dinner, show and transportation. Includes a tip for bus driver and an honorarium for the church.

MAKE CHECKS OUT TO: MARILYN KLOHA

DEPART: Shepard of the Hills Methodist Church

13658 W. Meeker Blvd. SCW

at 9:45am. Check in at 9:15 am.



Lois Anderson
Ornetta Berstrom
Linda Roggermann

Karen Krul
Carolyn Whitfield
Heidi Hartman



Yolanda Curtis
Faye Cerbin

MaryLou Burgess

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