



A Silveridge Season of Blessings

There's nothing quite like the enjoyment of having the tree all decorated, a batch of Christmas cookies baked and my home ready for family and friends. Then I snuggle up in my recliner and meditate on God's blessings in my life. I thank God for Christmases past. I often ask my Mom how she and Dad could afford Christmas presents for 8 children. Yet, there were always presents under the tree. (And all my brothers and sisters would make sure that one did not have more presents than the other!) Even though it was so important to have presents little did I realize as a child that the best present of all was the gift of loving parents ! We all have special memories of Christmases past but now we have our grown up Christmas List which includes so much more than packages under the tree. It is being blessed to bless others and praying for those in need that take priority.

As we contemplate on all the blessings of the past while being in the hustle and bustle of the present, I am in awe of all of you who take to heart the message of sharing your blessings with others. That is obvious with our 300 plus volunteers that work so hard to make our park the most "Giving Park" (and the Friendliest!!) Let me share with you some examples of those who understand the meaning of blessing others.

- A walker hears a distress call from a home and offers to help.
- A resident is having trouble breathing and several ladies offer to bring food and spend the night with her.
- A couple cannot drive and a resident takes them to their doctor appointments and helps them buy groceries.
- A couple steps up to the plate and patches holes in walls and orders glass for a broken window.
- A couple needs financial help and several pool their money together to help them.
- Dedication is the word to describe a group who weekly get together and makes "Ugly Quilts" for the homeless.
- The Decorators become "Santa's Angels" by sponsoring a Toy Drive for children.
- Leaders work tirelessly to plan meetings, meals, educate and organize fundraisers.

And the list goes on and on. With all there is to do during the holidays let's not let our busyness crowd out our reverence for the true gifts of the season. Know that your "Presence" to others is the best "Present" of all!

Blessings to You, Sue



December Boogies!

Saguaro Sunset Band Tuesday, December 6th



Saguaro Sunset hails from local Arizona. This 5 piece band has been a popular band throughout the valley. This is their second time around here at Silveridge. So come and dance your heart out!

The Needham Twins Tuesday, December 13th



Welcome back the Needham Twins for our Christmas boogie where Larry and Jerry will put us in the Christmas spirit. Wear festive clothing and plan on doing some rock and roll!

A COUNTRY CHRISTMAS



Thursday, December 8th , 5:00pm

Let's all celebrate Christmas with JR McAlexander and his performers. We will be entertained with secular and sacred Christmas music with country greats like Kenny Rogers, Brenda Lee, Merle Haggard, Johnny Cash, Faith Hill and many more. This festive celebration is guaranteed to get you in the Holiday Spirit!

New Years Eve Dance 8:30-12:30am



The Desert Drifters

Bring 2017 in with a night with the Desert Drifters. BYOB and tableware and lots of Appetizers. Come ready to party. Only \$15.00.!! **Boots and Belles** is our theme so wear your cowboy/cowgirl attire!





December Breakfasts

With all the holiday cooking why not treat your self to a couple of breakfasts? Breakfast is everyone's favorite meal to eat out. Chef Jerry and many volunteers will be cooking you breakfast. Come to the Social Hall on Saturday, **December 3rd** and **December 17th** from 7:00-9:00 am and get breakfast for only \$5.00! You can enjoy a hot breakfast of sausage or ham, eggs, toast or pancakes, (plain or blueberry) coffee and juice. Enjoy good food and friends.



Market Day

**Saturday, December 10th,
9:00-12:30pm**

Come and shop for Christmas gifts at our Christmas market! We will have over 70 vendors tempting you with unique treasures. Take a break and enjoy a delicious lunch served by our kitchen crew.



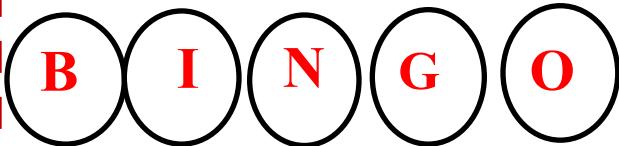
If you love a feast you will want to join your Silveridge family for the potluck **Christmas Dinner on Sunday, December 25th.** ** Please note-There will be 2 serving times: 1:00 and 4:00pm. Sign up at the Activity Office for your table and dish. There must be a ham baker before a new table can be started. The Activity Office will reimburse the ham baker up to \$20.00.

Christmas Light Parade

**Thursday,
December 15th,
5:00 pm**



Decorate your golf carts, bicycles or any other moving vehicle with lights and a Christmas theme. Meet by the clubhouse by 4:30. Judging will take place when everyone arrives. There will be prizes awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place plus honorable mentions. The parade will start at 5:00. Spectators welcome! Watch for the parade routes on the activity board. Meet in the Social Hall following the parade where prizes will be awarded and a cup of chili will be served.



Every Wednesday 6:30pm.

*Merry Christmas
from the Bingo Team*

Food Served from 5:00-6:00pm.

Dinner is \$7.00 / \$6.00 with Bingo Ticket

Sandwiches are \$3.50. Soda, water, popcorn, pies, and cookies sold.

Check with the Activity Desk or on Channel 6 for menu

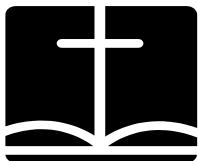
Games include: Double Action, Odd/Even, Money Ball, Betty Boop

King and Queen Bingo Payouts- Door Prizes!!!

No Bingo on Dec. 21st and Dec. 28th

Exciting New Games!!! Reduced Costs!!!

**\$1,000.00
Progressive**



Silveridge Christian Fellowship

Our service is every Sunday at 9:00am in the Ballroom. We invite you to join us for our non-denominational service.

Join us for a **Christmas Celebration** at 9am, Sat., Dec. 24th with songs, special music and readings.

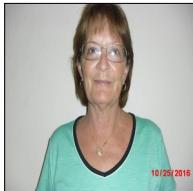
Following, a time of fellowship with cookies, coffee and cider.

Pastor Bob Oelschlagel continues to teach Wednesday night Bible study at 7pm in Room 5. You are invited to join us for this time of study, questions and discussion

Everyone is welcome to join the fellowship and fun of the **Silveridge Choir** while practicing the songs and hymns of the faith. The choir sings during Silveridge Fellowship Sunday services. Practice is Wednesday at 9:00am in Room 1.



MESSAGE FROM THE MAILROOM



If you are expecting packages that are too big to fit in your mailbox, PLEASE check everyday to pick up right away from the locker. Lockers are being filled daily due to everybody shopping on line. Kim needs the keys back to refill the next day! Please RETURN the locker key to the IN PARK BOX located on the back side of the mailroom.

Remember, Kim only deals with parcels that are delivered thru the UNITED POSTAL SERVICE, NOT FED EX OR UPS! It is very important to have your LOT NUMBER on your package when delivered. They cannot deliver without one.

Food Handlers Class Thursday, Dec. 15th, 10:30 am

The Food Safety class will be held in the Social Hall and is open to anyone wanting to renew or take the class for the first time. The class is \$15.00. A food handlers license is required to work in the kitchen and is good for 3 years.

Celebration Of Life



Butch McDonald

June

Gerald Hundertmark

August 26th

Birchard Buss

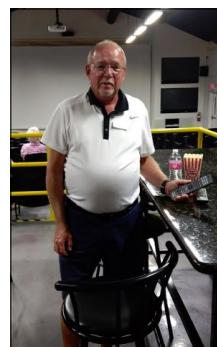
October 16th

Max Metzger

November 8th

There will be a celebration of life for Gerald (Pep) Hundertmark on Friday, January 27th

The SilverScreen



Movie Operator Don Beckett on the left. Sharon on right with popcorn volunteer Linda Vodraska

Thank you to Don and Sharon Beckett who are the lead volunteers for the movies at our theater. Don is scheduling the movie operators while Sharon schedules the movies and popcorn volunteers. Please see Sharon or Don if you have any suggestions for movies. At the time of this newsletter movies are shown on Friday and Saturdays at 7:00pm. Wednesday matinees will resume in January if there are enough operators. Please be a team player and offer to stay after the movie to clean up. How about bringing your honey and calling it a date night!

How many of you know that the theater has the NFL package (700's) as well as ESPN? The theater is available to watch sports, but not on a movie day or night. Because of the valuable equipment the theater is locked at all times unless there is a scheduled showing for movies, or sports. Only trained operators may run the equipment! Requests for theater sports need to be turned in at the activity desk by noon on Friday. There must be a minimum of six people attending. When reserving the theater, please leave the building clean! If there is a game on Mondays the Social Hall television may be available.

Christmas Toy Drive



The decorators are becoming the "Silveridge Santas" they once again collect toys for children in the East Valley. Please bring your unwrapped new gift (boy or girl) to the big box located across from the Activity Office. Last year the decorators brought many toys to the American Legion Post #27. Thank you for your support in making many children happy!

** The decorators are looking for volunteers to assist in decorating the ballroom following coffee on December 1st.

Club News

All the clubs and group activities are off and running. Mark your calendars for January 14th for the Club Expo. All the groups will be represented.

Certain clubs have web pages where you can also get information.

Computer club is: www.silvercomctc.com

Tennis Club: www.silveridgetennis.com

Pickleball Club : www.usapa.org

Hikers Club: [www. silveridgehikerswordpress.com](http://www.silveridgehikerswordpress.com)

Room 9 has a Facebook page : Silveridge RV Resort Room 9

Check out these sights and also the Activity boards for more information and sign up sheets.

** The Pickleball club is collecting clear plastic bottles. Look for the blue containers with Pickleball written on them. They are no longer accepting milk bottles or food containers. Water or soda plastic bottles are perfect. Tennis is still accepting aluminum cans. Watch for different fundraisers at the craft fairs throughout the year. Thank you for contributing to all the clubs!



Ticket Event Information

The Activity Office is always looking for better ways to serve you. We appreciate your generosity in the purchasing of your tickets. Many of you have ordered your tickets early this year. It has worked well to have you each fill out the ticket order list. We know that there can be reasons why you may not be able to attend an event that you have purchased tickets for.

If you are trying to sell your tickets, we are asking that you first try to re-sell them on your own. On the bulletin board outside the activity office we will post re-sell information which should help get your refund back to you more quickly. There will be blue slips with the available ticket information. Make sure to include a phone number where you can be reached. Tack the slip to the bulletin board.

If you are looking to purchase tickets, check the blue re-sale slips for the event you are looking for. Find the table or seat number and locate it on the seating chart. The seating charts for each type of event will be on the board (boogies, dinner shows, concerts.) We have always tried our best to re-sell the tickets for you in an emergency situation such as medical reasons where you have to leave the park.

*** I am looking into the possibility of online ordering next season. You would have the option of ordering online as well as ordering directly through the Activity Office. Watch for more information this Spring. Thank you again for coming out to the shows. If you have suggestions for shows please let me know. I am gathering ideas for the 2017-18 season!

A Memorable November



**Veterans Day, Nov. 11th
World War II Veterans
pictured on the left. Brona
Freeman (below) was the
leader of the ceremony.**



Mesa City Band performing



Pictured on the left are Gladys Meyer and Marcy LaValley who taught the Lefse and Krumkake Class



**A fun boogie
night dancing
to Reign and
Country.**

**Enjoying our
beautiful pool-**

