

MISCELLANEOUS

SaddleBrooke Whiskey Society

Founded by Certified Bourbon Steward, Tom Mehalek, and his wife Leslie.

The SaddleBrooke Whiskey Society celebrates diversity. We welcome group members of various genders, ages, religions, and ethnicities who come together for a single concept - a love of good whiskey.

The SaddleBrooke Whiskey Society welcomes you and we hope to see you at one of our events - we meet on the first Friday of the month at 6 pm.

For more information contact Tom Mehalek at 267-394-2000 or

SaddleBrookeWhiskeySociety@gmail.com.



The **SaddleBrooke Silversmith and Lapidary Club** meets every Wednesday and Friday in the Turquoise Room at MountainView Craft center. People with past experience or no experience at all are welcome. Beginner classes in both silversmithing and lapidary are scheduled when needed. If interested, please stop in or contact Laura Stafford tucsonmountainjewelry@gmail.com.

Click here for Website: www.sslc.club

UNITED SADDLEBROOKE CLUB:

Be a part of the change you want to see. As an HOA1 and HOA2 sanctioned club, we support increased cooperation between the HOA Boards, with the long-term goal of unifying the two Associations.

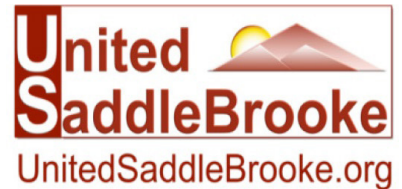
We hold regularly scheduled meetings to discuss, research, debate, and plan how we, as an organization, can effect positive change in SaddleBrooke. While our open meetings are held monthly, the date, time, and location may change due to the high demand for meeting space.

So be sure to check the website for when and where at www.UnitedSaddleBrooke.org/events

Your \$20 annual membership gives you access to club meetings, voting rights on key decisions, and attendance at special events. Club dues go 100% toward supporting the vision of a United SaddleBrooke.

Non-members can get free informational emails and keep up to date on all our scheduled events by signing up at <https://www.unitedsaddlebrooke.org/contact>.

For more details about UNITED SADDLEBROOKE, go to www.UnitedSaddleBrooke.org. Or you may send an email to contactus@unitedsaddlebrooke.org.



SaddleBrooke Singles

Whether you are **Single** by circumstance or **Single** by choice, you will find friendship, support, and many events and activities to enjoy with over 100 other **Singles in SaddleBrooke!**

Parties: Christmas, Thanksgiving, New Years, Cinco de Mayo, 4th of July, Pizza, Ice Cream



Activities: Bocce Ball, Local Outings to Tohono Chul, Tanque Verde Ranch, Zoo Lights, etc.



Dining: Friday Night Happy Hour, Dine Arouds, Pot Lucks



Our Mission through our organization is to provide friendship and social opportunities for **Singles in SaddleBrooke.**

For more information please contact:

Fran Perone 262-389-4305 or mfrperone@aol.com

Plant-Based Potluck Dinner – February 17

The next Plant-Based Nutrition Group (PBNG) Potluck Dinner will be Monday, February 17th at 5:15pm at the HOA1 Activity Center. Bring a dish to share and come sample many other dishes. It is a great way to explore the joys of plant-based eating. As always, please sign up for the dinner at the PBNG website (sbplantbased.com) and bring two copies of the recipe (one to place alongside your dish and one to be scanned and posted on our website). More information on the dinner is available on the website. There is a \$5 donation per person to attend this event. Here's to happy, healthy eating!

The speaker for **March 6th** will be Janice S. Blackhurst.



She will be presenting:

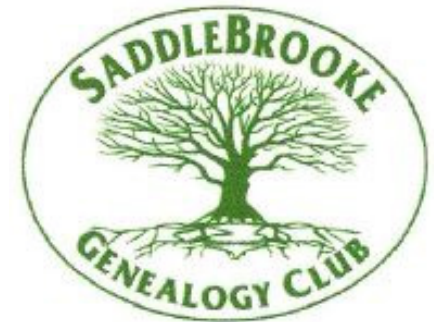
Genealogy Gems in U.S. Probate Records.

Wills, Estate Inventories and Sales, Distributions and Guardianships.

Date: March 6, 2025

Place: HOA 1 Main facility in the Coyote Room.

Time: 1:00 pm



Janice S. Blackhurst, has over 40 years research experience and is accredited in the States of Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas, and Texas. Completion of more than 300 client projects has involved research in almost every U.S. state. Additionally, she has completed many international projects for Canada, Mexico, the British Isles and Most of Europe. She especially enjoys researching records of Spain, Italy, and Mexico and other areas where she can utilize her language skills in Spanish and Italian.

She has solved several important cold cases with her colleagues in Firebird Forensics Group, some which have had national attention.

The Genealogy Club normally meets on the first Thursday of the month at 1:00 pm in the coyote room at the HOA 1 club facility. Club dues are \$15 and run on a calendar year basis. Speakers are booked with topics focusing on Genealogy and research methods. Visit the web site for the latest information on club activities and speakers. SaddlebrookeAZGenealogyClub (google.com).

Dedicated to Continuous Learning

The SaddleBrooke Computer Club (SBCC) is a vibrant community committed to enhancing the knowledge and technological prowess of its members and the community of SaddleBrooke. With a focus on teaching and staying abreast of new technologies, the club offers classes and clinics designed to cater to both novice and seasoned SaddleBrooke residents.



- As a teaching club, we are staffed by volunteers with expertise in computers, software, smart phones, cyber security, streaming TV and other related technical areas that you want to know more about.
- We teach tech you can use through a variety of venues. Our primary venue for classes is in our modern fully equipped classroom. Our class Calendar is packed full of useful courses that will help SaddleBrooke residents navigate the ever-changing world of technology.

Monthly 'Tech Talks' meetings

These monthly meetings are open to **ALL** SaddleBrooke residents, club members, and non-members alike.

- Meetings usually have a presenter who has computer-related technical expertise and includes a question-and-answer session with knowledgeable PC and/or Apple instructors within the club.
- A prize drawing is held at the end of each meeting.
- Meetings are held at 1:00 p.m., usually on the third Monday of the month at the DesertView Theater.

Access to Cutting-Edge Information and Technologies

We are continually updating our fully equipped classroom with equipment and infrastructure. All computers, both Windows and Apple, have been recently upgraded to be able to teach students on state-of-the-art machines. It is our goal to keep all our equipment and software new and current to maximize your classroom experience and learning environment. Our computer classroom is the envy of other similar clubs.

The annual class fee of \$35 supports these upgrades and provides access to all classes and benefits. There is no limit to classes you can take, making this a truly valuable investment.

Visit our website for more information and become a member today! SaddleBrookecc.org

SaddleBrooke RV Club Expands Membership

The SaddleBrooke RV Club (SBRV) recently changed their by-laws. SBRV now allows SaddleBrooke HOA1 and HOA 2 owners or renters in good standing who are interested in the RV lifestyle to join whether they own an RV or not.

Over the years many people in SaddleBrooke have expressed interest and curiosity about this pastime, and now several RV parks have cabins to rent for those who are non-RV owners. New members who do not own an RV will now have a chance to join rallies, attend meetings, discuss RV technical details, and participate in socializing with like-minded RV enthusiasts.

In 2024 the SaddleBrooke RV Club held seven rallies in varied locations such as Texas, California, Louisiana, Utah, Arizona and more. Past SBRV rallies featured wine-tasting, fireworks exhibits, the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta, Kartchner Caverns, Antelope Canyon, the Grand Canyon Train, and many more.

SBRV meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the HOA1 Activity Center. Meetings are held January through March and September through November. SBRV also hosts a December holiday party and April bon voyage party.

In addition to new members, previous members who sold their RVs are welcome to re-join SBRV!

For more information, please contact Pat Arruda, SBRV president, at 520-441-2484, or at patjanarruda@wbhsi.net.

The Saddlebrooke WW II Roundtable Presents Paul Belanger on Operation Barbarossa

On Thursday, **March 13** at 12:15 pm, Saddlebrooke resident Paul Belanger will give a talk on Hitler's biggest mistake: The invasion of the Soviet Union on June 6, 1941. Many historians believe that had Hitler listened to his generals and didn't commit Germany to a futile invasion over an enormous front requiring long supply lines, Germany could have won the war.

From the speaker: Operation Barbarossa, the German invasion of the Soviet Union, began the largest and most costly campaign in military history. Its failure was a key turning point of the second world war. The operation was planned as a blitzkrieg to win Germany its "Lebensraum" in the east, and the summer of 1941 is well known for the German army's, unprecedented victories and advances. Yet the German blitzkrieg depended almost entirely upon the motorized panzer groups, particularly those of Army Group Center. Many historians have focused on the winter as ending the ill-fated drive on Moscow. However, long before the first autumn rains brought movement to a halt, in fact as early as the summer of 1941, it was evident that Barbarossa was unavoidably doomed to failure. Hitler should have been made aware of the axiom which says "Amateurs study tactics while professionals study logistics."

Paul is from Arizona having graduated from San Manuel High School where he met his bride (Roxanne) of 50 years, also from Arizona. After a stint in the Marines as both an Aviator and Infantry Officer he returned to San Manuel where he worked on both the surface and underground of the Magma Copper Mine as a supervisor. He joined the federal government in 1978 becoming a mine inspector and special investigator in a number of locations throughout the United States while remaining in the Army Reserves. In 2003 his unit was called to active duty for service in Iraq where he served as the Battalion Command Sergeant Major. He remained on active duty until his retirement in 2011 serving as a Brigade and Division Command Sergeant Major, making multiple overseas trips to both Iraq and Afghanistan. His military decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit as well as two Bronze Stars and numerous other awards. After his retirement from the Army, he returned to California where he returned to federal service finally retiring in 2017. In 2018, Paul and Roxanne decided to return to the area they always called "home," moving to SaddleBrooke. Paul is a graduate of Marshall University and holds a Masters in Military History from American Public University where he specialized in World War II.

Put it on your calendar: WW II Roundtable, Thursday, **March 13** at 12:15 pm in the DesertView Theater.



Agatha Christie's
witness for the
prosecution

COMMUNITY CIRCLE
Players

Tickets
\$59
includes 3 course
dinner

Mountain View Ballroom
march 29-april 4 no show 4/1

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Contact Tim Morsani at morsanitp@gmail.com with
questions.