



## This Week In SCOV

March 14, 2024

### Association News

**We have been notified** by the Vistoso Community Association as follows: "Their Board of Directors decided to shut off and remove the streetlights along Rancho Vistoso Blvd. The streetlights that are owned and operated by the Town of Oro Valley in Sun City and at intersections where traffic signals are located are not affected. The streetlights will be turned off on Monday, March 18, or soon after. In preparation, Mountain Power Electric Contractors will be installing reflective tape on some of the poles to alert drivers to their locations as per the Town of Oro Valley Engineer's recommendation."

**The "Distinguished Service Award"** is designed to honor residents who make remarkable contributions to our community. The SCOV Board of Directors will review nominees and select the recipient(s). The award will be presented at the Annual Meeting. Nominations will be accepted [here](#) through Sunday, March 24.

**Did you know that about 35 of your neighbors and friends** volunteer as Ambassadors for SCOV? The Ambassadors now have a special vehicle in which they drive prospective homeowners throughout the community to show our beautiful homes and amenities such as the artisan workshops and sports facilities. In addition to their personal knowledge about all aspects of living in SCOV, the Ambassadors provide information packets and are the wonderful face of SCOV to prospective homeowners. The Ambassadors say that people don't buy houses here, they buy for the amenities. Source: Chris Ludwig.

**Did you know that Charity Works**, formerly Emerge, raises money for the Emerge Center for Domestic Abuse which is the largest organization of this type in southern Arizona? This long-standing SCOV club provides food and toiletry donations to Emerge every month. Each year Charity Works hold a fall Boutique which sells a variety of donated clothing items and jewelry as a fundraiser. Last year Charity Works Boutique raised over \$11,000.

**Did you know that accidental head injuries** against a swimming pool wall might appear to be occasional to some people, but they are not? In fact, in a 2021 study, 50% of all pool injuries are to the head and many of these injuries lead to lifelong problems for the sufferers, [Source](#).

**TWISCOV Submitters:** Please follow our guidelines when submitting an Announcement for This Week in Sun City (TWISCOV.) Make sure your announcement is no longer than

50 words. You can publish an announcement for up to two consecutive weeks before taking a break. Be cautious when selecting the desired date for your announcement to be displayed.

**Recently, someone has been leaving** untitled, unsigned letters in homeowners' mailboxes concerning exterior lighting. These letters are not from the association and should be ignored. Violation notices from the association are always mailed directly to you. If you have a neighbor complaint, SCOV has a process to file a complaint through our members-only website or you can come to the Welcome Center and complete a neighbor complaint form.

**The Neighborhood Pride Committee** would like to invite you to join us. If you take pride in living in our beautiful community and can spare two to four hours a month to help us maintain it, you could make a valuable addition to our team. If you're interested in learning more, please call the Covenants Coordinator, 520-917-8087. Owning a golf cart is not a requirement.

**Summer will be upon us soon** and many Posse volunteers are winter visitors and will be gone. If you plan to be in SCOV during the summer, consider joining the Posse. We can use your help all year long but especially during the summer months. For more information, call Chair Linda Simōn, 520-789-7169.

**Announcing a new SCOV Friends of Library (FOL) service,** Home Bound Books. Stuck at home? Can't get to the library due to health or physical issues? We will deliver library items to you. Sign-up forms are available in the Library or call Mary, 701-367-6442. Must be a SCOV resident in good standing.

**Gift Shop News:** We have a new consignor in the shop who creates fabric/fiber art with desert scenes and desert animals that are framed and ready to enhance your home. We also have quilted wall hangings that are vibrant and make a wonderful gift or gift for yourself. Don't forget to pick up a St. Patrick's Day and Easter Card when you visit the shop, we carry a great selection.

**Golf course walking hours:** March 1-31, before 7 am and after 6 pm. However, we do have starting times in the month of March before 7 am. Please be careful and make sure you avoid the first couple of holes on both nines if you are not off the course by 6:30 am. Golfers maintain the right of way. We kindly ask all carts and walkers to remain on cart paths and ensure that pets are cleaned up afterward. For your pet's safety and the comfort of others, please keep them leashed. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Library News:** Thank you for all the support with the 23-24 Library Author Series this year, we had some wonderful authors visit Sun City. New books from the Western Writers (Cowboys) are now available in the Library. New in the Library this week:



**Like to play Jeopardy**, but always forget to phrase the answer as a question? Then Thursday Trivial Pursuit Game Night is for you. Come tonight, March 14, 6-7:30 pm, Activity Center/Kiva, and join in the fun. Play in teams of four for \$2 pp (exact change). Bring your own beverage and snacks or support The Bistro. Prizes for the winning team. We play every second Thursday of the month.

**Everyone in the community is invited** to play Book B-I-N-G-O. Join the Friends of The Library (FOL), Wednesday, March 20, 3 pm, WC3. This is regular Bingo with books as prizes. No literary knowledge is needed. BYOB and snacks. Your cash donation of \$5 pp at the door will support the SCOV Library. Register [here](#) or call Sherry Small, 520-308-5735.

**Saturday, March 23, 7 am**, Courtyard Sale and Seniors for Kids are teaming up for Sun City's annual rummage and jumbo hot dog sale, in front of Aquatic Fitness Center (AFC). All are welcome to participate in turning your unwanted and unneeded items into someone else's treasures while enjoying hotdogs and drinks.

**The Government Affairs committee** is hosting a community forum on development and water, with Oro Valley Mayor Winfield and staff, Wednesday, March 27, 1-3 pm, Catalina Vista. Free tickets are available at the Welcome Center.

**Weekly market hours:** With the beautiful Spring weather, more vendors are coming. Wednesdays behind the Welcome Center, 9 am-1 pm, rain or shine. Please stop by and support our local businesses.

## Board & Committee Meetings

*Board and committee meetings are open to all SCOV members, unless designated as an Executive Session.*

### Friday, March 15

9 am, Tipster Editorial Committee, WC1

### Tuesday, March 19

11:30 am, Committee Appreciation Luncheon, Activity Center Auditorium

### Thursday, March 21

8 am, Posse Committee, Activity Center Auditorium

9 am, Properties Committee, WC1

## SCOV Job Employment

**Administrative Coordinator I:** Provides support to the Administrative Manager. This employee provides outstanding service to SCOV residents, guests, and business associates. The employee is seated in the reception area greeting and guiding residents, tours, rentals, interaction, and welcoming potential residents. Opening, closing, and various front office administrative duties. Computer skills, organization, and great customer service skills are a must. Come be part of the SCOV team. Salary DOE.

**Monitors:** Part-time positions. Come join our team and help facilitate set-up and building assistance.

**Interested applicants**, please send a request to: [Julie Foerster](#), HR

## News From The Views Restaurant



**Live music this Friday and Saturday.** See [website](#) for the entertainment schedule.

**With all the updates at The Views Restaurant**, naturally changes come in the price of menu items. It has been over one year since The Views Restaurant changed its menu prices and two years before that due to COVID. As we are all aware, the cost of labor and wholesale food prices have increased in the last three to four years. The Bureau of Labor and Statistics reports that the cost of wholesale food prices has increased by over 17% in the last 18 months. The National Restaurant Association reported that restaurants increased their prices in 2023 by 7.7% and that 91% of reporting restaurants increased their prices in the last year. Finally, labor costs have risen as much as 5% in the last two to three years and labor can account for up to 40% of restaurant costs. The restaurant is balancing, offering good service, good food and at a good price. Thank you for your support of our restaurant as we respond to these concerns.

**St Patty's Day Specials, Sunday, March 17, 2-8 pm:** House Braised Corn Beef and Cabbage served over stewed potatoes, carrots, celery, onions, topped with stone ground mustard honey glaze with dinner roll, \$19. Shepards Pie, slow roasted ground beef, mirepoix, peas, and demi gravy topped with parmesan-crustured puree, \$18.

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**Karaoke:** Sunday, March 17, from 4-7 pm

## News From The Views Golf Course



**Discover the exciting activities and the fun** enjoyable casual events like Chip and Putt on Thursday, March 21. Our golf clinics are every Tuesday at 9 am and private lessons are available as well. Call the Pro Shop to sign up, 520-825-3110.

**Join us for lunch at the "Grille @ The Turn"** barbeque between the ninth green and tenth tee on Fridays and Saturdays between 10:30 am-2:30 pm.

## Club News

**Comedy Tonight** will be performing this weekend, Saturday, March 16 and Sunday, March 17, 7 pm, Activity Center Auditorium. Additional ticket sales will be Friday, March 15, 9 am-noon, Activity Center lobby. Tickets are \$10 pp.

**Democratic Club:** If you received a postcard invitation to our Open House, Saturday, March 16, and have not responded, RSVP [here](#). Check our website for our latest information.

**Rainbow Club celebrates the lives of LGBTQ/allies.** The next event is St. Patty's Day Party on Sunday, March 17, 3 pm at a private residence, RSVP by text to Loree, 763-228-3311. Bring a side or dessert to share, drinks and a chair. Corned beef will be provided.

**Tickets for our Saturday, March 30, Rock and Roll Club Dance** with ROH Band go on sale Tuesday, March 19, Activity Center main hallway. Tickets go on sale at 8 am, \$10 for members and 9 am, \$15 for nonmembers. Checks Only made out to SCOV Rock and Roll Club. Dance is from 6:30-9:30 pm, 6 pm, Activity Center Auditorium.

**Please join us for the Wisconsin Club** planning meeting to discuss plans for next year's party scheduled for March 9, 2025. We'll meet Tuesday, March 19, 1 pm, WC1. Bring your suggestions and ideas. Please [RSVP](#).

**Wayne Gustin, retired Integrated Pharmacist and SCOV resident** will be presenting an overview of the Supplement Guide from *Alzheimer's The Science of Prevention*. Bring your list of supplements to share and ask questions. We meet on Tuesday, March 19, 2:30 pm, Activity Center/Navajo. Anyone interested is encouraged to attend.

**Tickets for the Garden Walk will be on sale** Wednesday, March 20, 1-3 pm, and Tuesday, March 26, 10 am-noon, Activity Center lobby. The 2024 Garden Walk will be held Saturday, April 6, 8:30 am-1 pm, location to follow. Visit ten specially chosen gardens to find new ideas for your backyard.

**Natural Health and Wellness Club** will once again host Hernan Castro, the Desert Alchemist who specializes in medicinal mushrooms on Wednesday, March 20, 3-4:30 pm, Catalina Vista. He will teach us about the many mushrooms and how they can positively impact health. Hear about studies and many positive outcomes people have using mushrooms. Remember to bring an envelope with your name and contact info on it along with \$3 if you are not already a member.

**The SCOV Performers Club:** In lieu of a March Showcase, the Performers Club presents a Performers Spotlight. Featuring Kevin Kopp, SCOV's own Singer-Songwriter, for an acoustic mix of original songs and cover songs. Wednesday, March 20, 4-6 pm, Activity Center/ Kiva Patio. The next Performers Showcase is Wednesday, April 17.

**Fido's Dog Club Presents:** Dr. Evan MacLean, Director, Arizona Canine Cognition Center, *How do our dogs think? Can they read our minds?* His program investigates dog behavior, cognition, genetics, and neuroendocrinology. Find out how you can assist with his research, Thursday, March 21, 1 pm, Activity Center/Navajo.

**All Residents are welcome to attend**, Thursday, March 21, 2-3 pm, Catalina Vista. ILR Sampler will be hosting Dr. Todd Vanderah, Head of Pharmacology, Professor in the Departments of Pharmacology, Neurology and Anesthesiology, UArizona College of Medicine, who will be presenting *Therapeutic Applications of Cannabinoids*. Come and explore whether Cannabinoids can help you (medical marijuana, hemp, CBD.) How do they impact the body? Dr. Vanderah has taught at the Medical School for over 20 years earning over 25 teaching awards.

**The Astronomy Club** will be hosting Mr. Jakob Helton to present *Advanced Deep Extragalactic Survey: Investigating the Properties of the Earliest Observable Galaxies*. This program is free and open to all residents Thursday, March 21, 7 pm, Activity Center/Navajo.

**The Ballroom Dance Expo** scheduled for Friday, March 22, 5:30 pm, Activities Center Auditorium. The Expo features exciting performances by advanced and professional dancers. You'll be so inspired, you'll want to stay for the 30-minute beginner lesson and the dance. Both the Expo and Dance are free.

**Courtyard Sale and Seniors for Kids Fundraiser:** There will be an amazing raffle. You may purchase tickets, \$1 each or 6 for \$5 at the raffle tables on the day of the Courtyard sale, Saturday, March 23. Please donate your unwanted household items (no clothing, large furniture, or unframed glass, please) to The Seniors for Kids Courtyard Sale Treasure Table. Please mark all items with prices. Items should be priced in \$1 increments and dropped by the Posse Shack (look for a U-Haul truck) on Friday, March 22, 11am-1 pm. A Senior for Kids member will be there to help unload. Tax receipts will be available. Items not sold will be donated to a local charity.

**SCOV Charity Works** benefits Emerge Center Against Domestic Abuse, which helps victims of domestic abuse throughout Tucson and the surrounding area. We will be supporting Emerge at our March 23, Courtyard Sale by selling Jim Click tickets, table #55, Thursday, April 25, 12:30-3 pm, we will be hosting our annual Collections Event for our Fall Boutique, which will be held on October 26. Donations are also taken at our monthly meetings and throughout the year up to the middle of October.

**The Spring Tai Chi class** begins Sunday, March 28 and runs through the beginning of June. This is a ten-week course and meets on Thursday mornings, 10-11:30 am. Beginners and newcomers are welcome. You may audit the first class before committing to the full ten weeks. [Email](#) for more information.

**Join us for the first-ever Pacific Northwest Club event.** Saturday, March 30, 1-3 pm, Activity Center/Native American Rooms. Anyone with connections to Alaska, Idaho,

Oregon or Washington is welcome to attend. Bring a finger appetizer to share and your choice of beverage. There will be a quiz to test your PNW knowledge and you'll be able to meet fellow residents from the greater PNW.

**Staying in Charge as We Age Club** is looking for help planning our summer field trips about where to go when living at home becomes burdensome. Curious about the various types of senior residences? Help find speakers and plan which residences to visit. Interested? Contact [Joan](#).

**Knit and Crochet Club:** Looking for a project to keep your hands busy? We continue to crochet plastic grocery bags into sleeping mats for Tucson people experiencing homelessness. We need people to string our already-cut plastic bag "loops" into balls of plastic yarn. It is very easy and fun to do. You can do it at home, or at our weekly meetings, Monday, 2:30-4 pm, Activity Center/Hohokam. Please join us, contact [Jane Fairchild](#), 520-909-5069.

**Unit 7 Neighbors**, we have a tray left over from the party. If you left it, call Laurie Jarret, 913-940-1443. Important: We are searching for a chair for the party planning committee. If you would be interested in learning more about this position, contact Laurie.

**SCOV Chess Club** is planning a chess tournament for women only. Ladies, we need participants. Our goal, is more SCOV women playing chess. If you know the basic rules of chess, give it a try. \$60 prize money if six or more entrants. No entry fee. An easy tournament, basic rules, no time clocks, no pressure. Contact [John Bechard](#), for more information.

## Resident News

**Save the Fountain and more:** Meeting Saturday, March 16, 10-noon, Activity Center/Kiva. Discussions regarding a few topics, including action items for the Fountain and discussion on SCOV censorship and punishments, visions for a new GM, Member Expertise database and other topics of your choice. Let's keep the communication going. [RSVP](#).

**Pima County Elections:** Voting Poll will be open Tuesday, March 19, 6 am-7 pm, Catalina Vista. SCOV residents can vote for the Presidential Preference, Primary, and General Elections.

**"We chose SCOV as our second home** based on the wonderful amenities, solid financials, and strong administration. We love SCOV because of the diversity of opportunities to explore new interests, its proximity to great natural features, and most of all because of the wonderful people we have met, many of whom we now call good friends." Bonnie Halchin and Pat Smith, SCOV Residents.



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