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Please note, this newsletter went to print prior to the ballots being counted. The new and current Board of Directors will be printed in our July 2011 Newsletter.

A message from our Executive Director

Each day brings more and greater challenges for the business community. Among them are the rising costs of operating their business, and the

responsibility of providing jobs. Many of the business owners are residents of their communities who continue to be supportive, giving, and dedicated. The Chamber is here for its members and

we encourage you to take advantage of the resources that are available through your membership.

The Green Valley/Sahuarita Chamber and Visitor Center is proud to represent and support

members of strong dynamic communities and surrounding areas. Sahuarita, Green Valley, Amado, Tubac, Rio Rico and Nogales each has its own identity, but together we are one area - The I-19 Corridor.

Mixers FEBRUARY & MARCH

Both the February and March Mixers were fun, fun, fun. Plenty of food, participation, raffle prizes and networking.

The February Mixer was a Caribbean Theme co-host by Santa Rita Nursing and Rehabilitation Center and Commerce Bank. The food and drinks were great. The decorations carried out the Caribbean atmosphere and the hired DJ keep things swinging with his great CD's. We were entertained by Rodney Housley with a few of his magic tricks.

Rochelle Sergeant and Dawnie Cate were our friendly

greeters at the sign-in-table. Kim Beirne and Sage Ramirez sold the raffle tickets.

President Bob Childs thanked the hosts and introduced new members.

Raffle prizes were donated by Dolly Steamboat, Arizona Opera League, Valor Hospice Care, Hospice Family Care, Affirmative Senior Living, Jan Petzler/Long Realty, CareMore, Walt Henderson, Arby's, Commerce Bank of Arizona, Nadine DiGiacomo, Custom Plus, Jan Dougherty, Corie Lee and the Green Valley Sahuarita Chamber of Commerce.



The March Mixer was hosted by Meritage Homes. The food was catered in and was great. The members had an opportunity to go through the models. Meritage Home

is "going green" with the construction of their homes. One of the models was a skeleton version showing just

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MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

Gasoline Alley County 2011 Small Business of the Year



Pima County 4th District Supervisor Ray Carroll presented the Pima County Small Business Commission's 2011 Small Business of the Year Award to Edie and Johnnie Lake, owners of Gasoline Alley in Green Valley, at the April 12, 2011 County Board of Supervisors meeting. Gasoline Alley was nominated for the annual award by the Green Valley/Sahuarita Chamber of Commerce.

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

Casa de Esperanza launches all new web site

Casa de Esperanza can now be found online at www.casagv.org. The all-new web site features calendars of events

for all Casa programs, a senior lunch menu, information about Casa's programs and services and much more.

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

Summer Learning Academy Opening at Los Niños del Valle

Enrollment is now open for a new Summer Learning Academy at Los Niños del Valle in Green Valley. Children ages 5-8 will enjoy myriad activities and academic adventures during

the June 6-July 29 program. "This new summer program will be filled with enrichment studies, reading tutoring,

More LOS NIÑOS on page 8

BUSINESS OF THE YEAR AWARDS

• Large •



Business of the Year

• Small •



Business of the Year

• New •



Business of the Year

• Non-Profit •



Business of the Year

• Home-Based •



Business of the Year

Please note, this newsletter went to print prior to getting the results for the Business of the Year Awards. The 2011-2012 Business Of The Year Award Winners will be in our July 2011 Newsletter.

MAY MIXER

May 26, 2011, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. @ Green Valley Cooling & Heating

Co-Hosted by GV Plumbing & GV Decorative Rock @ 645 W. Ward Lane, GV

Please RSVP by May 20 to 625-7575

JUNE MIXER

June 23, 2011, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. @ Atria Bell Court Gardens

6653 E. Carondelet Drive, Tucson

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Chamber says thank you to Embajadores

Chamber says thank you to Embajadores Green Valley is blessed with an abundance of volunteers. Anyone who is fortunate enough to use volunteers in their organization knows what a valuable asset they truly are. The Chamber is no exception, so on Saturday, April 2, 2011 we hosted a

luncheon to say Thank You to our wonderful volunteers. *Green Valley Cooling & Heating/Southwestern Solar & Carondelet Health Network* sponsored the luncheon which was held at La Posada. Many thanks to our sponsors for helping us show our appreciation to the men and

women with the terrific smiles, that greet the visitors as they walk through the doors of the Green Valley Sahuarita Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Center. Thank you ladies and gentlemen, we couldn't do it without you!!!

New Member Luncheon

On Thursday March 10, 2011, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. the Chamber hosted a luncheon for the New Chamber Members. Sponsored by *Northwest Medical Center* and *Asarco Mission Complex* and held in the Private Dining Room at La Vista it was the perfect time for News Members to learn more about the

Chamber and the committees and programs that are available. The Committee Chairpersons encouraged our new members to get involved. Members in attendance were given the opportunity to tell everyone about their company and what their jobs entailed. Good food, good company, and networking were all on the luncheon menu.

The Chamber would like to thank Sharon Coustier and Maria Pringle for organizing the luncheon, and we would like to extend our gratitude to *Northwest Medical Center* and *Asarco Mission Complex* for sponsoring such a wonderful lunch for our newest Chamber members.

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Rhythm Edition Thursday, June 16, 2011 • 7 PM

Performing classic songs such as Shout (The Isley Brothers), All You Need Is Love (The Beatles) and Mustang Sally (Wilson Pickett) alongside All Summer Long by Kid Rock and Fallin' by Alicia Keyes. Led by Dennis Fike, the professional musicians who make up Rhythm Edition deliver an energetic show. Well paced and above all fun, Rhythm Edition reaches out with a contagious love for the music it performs.



The Desert Sons Thursday, July 7, 2011 • 7 PM

John Ryberg, Benny Young, Slim Tighe and Skelly Boyd make up the group that re-creates the beautiful harmonies of The Sons of the Pioneers, Marty Robbins and other Silver Screen Cowboys. They bring the Old West and the Great Outdoors while they entertain you with their harmony and wit.



Silver Thread Trio Thursday, August 18, 2011 • 7 PM

This Tucson based Americana trio, specializes in tightly voiced 3 part harmonies and well-crafted arrangements on washboard, banjo and guitar. Their old-timey sound has been compared to the music of 'Oh Brother Where Art Thou?', and the music featured on Prairie Home Companion. Silver Thread Trio's genres range from gospel, Appalachian, to alt/country and originals. Don't miss this group!



Ice Cream Social Dates and Performers

June 8, 2011 6pm-8pm – Strolling Valley Players
 July 6, 2011 6pm-8pm – The Banjo Blasters
 August 10, 2011 6pm-8pm – The Jewels
 Doors open at 5:45pm, Ice Cream served at 6pm, show at 6:30pm.
 Sugar free Ice Cream and some sugar free topping options will be available.

Summer Concert Series Ticket Information

- Regular concert ticket prices are Members \$12/ Guests \$14/ General Public \$16. Tickets to individual events are not available for purchase until April 27, 2011.
- Regular Ice Cream Social ticket prices are Member \$8/ Guests \$10/ General Public \$12. Tickets to individual events are not available for purchase until April 27, 2011.
- All events are held at the West Social Center, 1111 Via ArcoIris, Green Valley, AZ 85614

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May 14, 2011

Long Horn Grill, Amado

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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President of the Board. Ph: 520-398-8533, E-mail: amadocarshow@yahoo.com, ehfr-us.webstarts.com. Check-in/Registration is open from 8am to 10am. Pre-registration fee: \$30 if postmarked before May 9th, thereafter an additional \$5.

Score Roundtable Luncheon

May 18, 2011

El Dorado Room in

La Perla at La Posada

11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Cost: \$10

Introduction to Score Roundtable Luncheon will be held in the El Dorado Room in La Perla at La Posada. Cost of Luncheon is \$10. RSVP is required. Call the Chamber at 625-7575 to reserve your spot.

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January 1 - March 31, 2011

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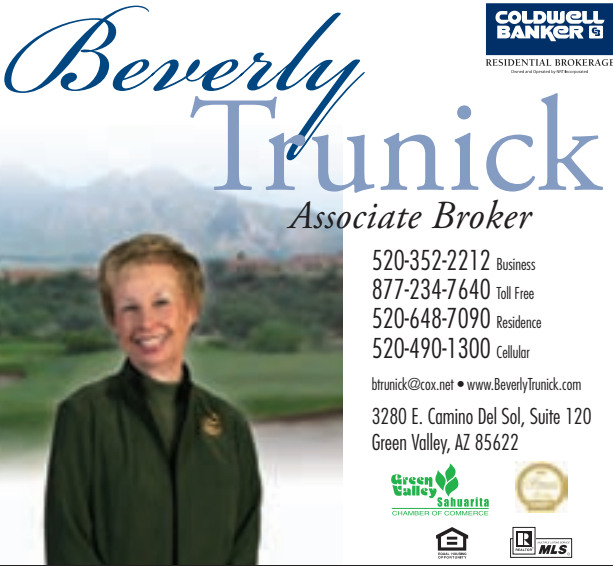
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February 2011 - March 2011

Telephone Calls	1,521
Walk-in	4,822
Mailings of large packets	15
Mailings of small packets	8
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The Green Valley Sahuarita Chamber's Web Page received 684,361 Hits, 27,946 Visits, and 14,710 unique visits.



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field trips, activities such as gardening and cooking, guest speakers, computer time and more," according to director Barbara Snodgrass.

The 8-week program is perfect for working parents who want an enriching and fun summer placement for their school-age children, but it also

was designed to be flexible so that families with planned summer vacations can enroll for all or part of the schedule.

To learn more, please call Barbara Snodgrass at 520-625-2273, ext. 23. Los Niños del Valle is a nonprofit preschool and child care program of Casa de Esperanza.

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the frame work, the insulation and how they are constructing energy saving items in the home. It is worth a trip out to the Meritage Home models to see what they are doing.

President Bob Childs thanked the host, introduced new members and reminded the membership to sign-up for the Annual Dinner on April 30.

Bob Eckles and friend greeted the members as they signed in. Carol Stapleton and Nadine Di Giacomo sold raffle tickets.

Nina Keck called out raffle numbers for the last time. She

will be going off as Special Events Co-Chair. Nadine DiGiacomo and Kim Beirne will be the Special Events Co-chairs in charge of the Mixers starting in April. Thanks Nina for all your help!

Raffle gifts were donated by Dolly Steamboat, Valor HospiceCare, Jan Petzler/Long Realty, Manor at Midvale, Arby's, Green Valley News, Hearts and Hands, Walt Henderson, Bob Boysen, Custom Plus, Civic Orchestra of Tucson, Valor Hospice and the Green Valley Sahuarita Chamber of Commerce.

CHAMBER MEETING CALENDAR

Thursday, May 5, 2011
Centennial Meeting
GVSCofC @ 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 10, 2011
Tourism
Council Meeting
10:00 a.m. @ GVSCofC

Tuesday, May 10, 2011
Membership
Committee Meeting
GVSCofC @ 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, May 12, 2011
Events Committee Meeting
GVSCofC @ 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 17, 2011
EDC Committee Meeting
GVSCofC @ 5:00 p.m.

Thursday May 19, 2011
Government Relations
Committee Meeting
GVSCofC @ 7:00 a.m.

Tuesday May 24, 2011
Board of Directors Meeting
GVSCofC @ 7:00 a.m.

Thursday May 26, 2011
Chamber Mixer
Green Valley Cooling & Heating @ 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, June 2, 2011
Centennial Meeting
GVSCofC @ 4:00 p.m.

Thursday, June 9, 2011
Events
Committee Meeting
GVSCofC @ 5:00 p.m

Tuesday, June 14, 2011
Tourism Council Meeting
10:00 a.m. *Call for Location*

Tuesday, June 14, 2011
Membership
Committee Meeting
GVSCofC @ 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, June 16, 2011
Government
Relations
Committee
Meeting
GVSCofC @ 7:00 a.m.

Tuesday, June 28, 2011
Board of
Directors Meeting
GVSCofC @ 7:00 a.m.

Thursday, June 23, 2011
Chamber Mixer
Atria Bell
Court Garden in Tucson
@ 5:00 p.m.

March Government Relations Meeting

On Wednesday, March 16, 2011 at the Quail Creek Madera Clubhouse, Michael J. Drake, Regent Professor and Head of the Department of Planetary Sciences and Director of the Lunar and Planetary Laboratory at the University of Arizona was a guest speaker at the Government Relations Meeting.

The Lunar and Planetary Laboratory (LPL) at the

University of Arizona has submitted an application for a major NASA research grant that, if selected, will bring \$680 million to the school, over \$300 million of which could stay in Southern Arizona.

The Osiris Rex proposal to study asteroids in outer space has already been classified by NASA as a "Type A" research project that will push the limits of mankind's knowledge about

the makeup of the universe and help protect the earth against possible deadly collisions. This summer it will be judged against two "Type B" projects, and the winner will be awarded a multi-year contract that will deliver jobs, tax revenue, and tremendous public relation opportunities for this region as well as the state.

Dr. Drake's presentation excited committee members

in the scientific opportunities it offers the world, economic impact it promises for our region, and new research jobs.

Our thanks to Dan Cavanagh, Government Relations Chair for inviting Dr. Drake to speak to the Committee, and to both Caterpillar Inc. and Freeport McMoRan Copper & Gold for sponsoring such an informative meeting.

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