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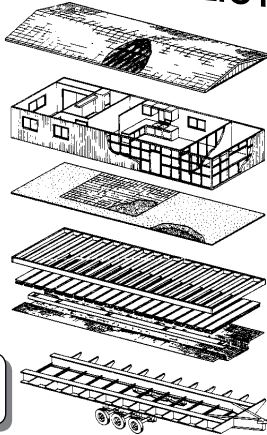
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# THE HOA OF RANCHERO VILLAGE

Ron Howe - President, 207-592-9292 [rvhoaboard@hotmail.com](mailto:rvhoaboard@hotmail.com)

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The HOA will be holding a Member's meeting on Dec 5th at 7:00 pm at the Hacienda. We will be explaining the 2024 Election process and accepting floor nominations for the January HOA Elections at this meeting.

The Agenda will be posted at each Club House. Hope many of you will attend and if you have not yet bought your 2023-2024 membership, please consider joining. The fee is \$20. New homeowners and current residents can contact Sue Post @ 727-560-9135 to join the HOA and become voting members.

Keep sending us your ideas at: [rvhoaboard@hotmail.com](mailto:rvhoaboard@hotmail.com).

## SOCIAL ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE (SAC)

Kay Voorheis

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It is December already. The year has just flown by. Hopefully everyone has had a chance to get reacquainted and to meet any new neighbors. We are very happy to announce that there will be a free Christmas concert this year! Several people took it upon themselves to push to get the chorus together and they have been practicing for the concert. Please check in the calendar for the date of this event which is always a fun time! We have an entertainer coming in during the first week of December to start off the season. Be sure to get your ticket for this soon.

Of course, the Women's and Men's Clubs have events scheduled also. The Women's Club is again sponsoring Toys for Tots. Note that the date for this luncheon is Friday, December 15. The day needed to be changed so that toys and bikes can be picked up by the Marines after the lunch. Don't forget the New Year's Eve Dance either. Always a good time at this dance. Be sure to read the rest of the bulletin for news on all the various activities in and out of the park. On behalf of the entire Social Activities Board, I would like wish all of you a very happy and safe holiday season!



# THINGS TO WATCH FOR AND DO IN DECEMBER!

- Men's Club Breakfast: Dec 1, @ Hacienda.
- Entertainment Show: Dec 4, @ Hacienda, Doors open at 6:30p.m. Show starts at 7:00.
- Christmas Dance, Dec 9th @ Hacienda, 10PM.
- Free Christmas Holiday music by Ranchero Village Chorus, Dec 11th @ 7:00p.m. @ Hacienda.
- Men's Club Musical Trivia Bingo, Dec 14th @ Hacienda
- Toys for Tots Women's Club Lunch, Dec 15, 12:30 @ Hacienda.
- Blood Drive Dec 16th in Hacienda Parking Lot.
- New Year's Eve Dance, Music by Up Town Funk: Dec 31st@ Hacienda, 8:30PM.

## MEN'S CLUB

*President - Dennis Juda*

**W**e would like to thank everyone who attended our first Musical Trivia Bingo. We had a great time by all. Our next event for December is our Breakfast on Friday, December 1st. Price is \$5 per person and tickets will be available after coffee. Also, we're having another Musical Trivia Bingo on Thursday, Dec. 14th at the Hacienda. Admission is free, but Bingo cards are \$5 for a set. Hoping everyone will come out and join us!



## WOMEN'S CLUB

*President - Gail Marquis, 207-478-7986, Lot 879*

**H**appy Holidays to All!! The Women's Club is hosting their annual Toys-For-Tots Luncheon on December 15th, 2023, at the newly renovated Hacienda. Doors open at 12 pm and Lunch is served at 12:30. On the menu is Roast Pork Loin, Au gratin potatoes, vegetable, Dessert, Drinks. 50/50 and Door prizes. This year's luncheon will be elegant and special for all that attend. Capacity is limited so please get your tickets to reserve your spot! Tickets are \$10. Bring your unwrapped gift for children up to 13 years old. Cash is also accepted. Prior to the Luncheon, gifts will be accepted by Pat Reynolds, @ Lot # 2114, and cash for bicycles accepted by Kay Voorheis, @ Lot # 876. Your generosity is the reason these programs work. Thank you in advance for your contribution!



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# VFW POST 7938

Larry Idoux – Adjutant

The members of VFW Post #7938 want to wish everyone in Ranchero Village a very Merry Christmas and a joyous holiday season. The "penny pot" collection for the months of July and September totaled \$180 and was given to our Post. The members of the Post voted to match the donation and \$360 was sent to Fisher House.

If anyone wishes to purchase a 3 feet by 5 feet nylon American flag, contact Senior Vice Commander Gene Harris at Lot #812. The cost is \$15.

Our December meeting will be on Tuesday December 12th in the Hacienda clubhouse beginning at 6:30 p.m. We always welcome new members and if you have any questions regarding membership, please contact any member of the Post. If you would like to assist the Post in their activities, you can join our auxiliary even if you never served as a member of the armed forces. Contact any member of the Post if interested.

## WHY OUR VETERANS HAND OUT POPPIES

Sue Peck, bulletin editor

Every year we see our Veterans in front of our favorite supermarkets, and we think we know why they're handing out these little red symbols. But if you're like me and you need a reminder, here's what I've learned from the website: [www.arlingtonva.us](http://www.arlingtonva.us)

*"The widespread use of the poppy flower to commemorate veterans began in World War I. The American woman Moina Michael was inspired by the famous poem "In Flanders' Fields," written by the Canadian soldier and physician, Major John McCrae, after burying his friend Lt. Alexis Helmer following the Battle of Ypres in Belgium. In his 1915 poem, McCrae described the poppies that "blow between the crosses, row on row," a reference to the blood-red flowers that sprang up among the soldiers' graves, a common sight along the Western Front. Moina wrote her own poem, "We Shall Keep the Faith," based on McCrae's, and dwelled on the poppy as a symbol of the sacrifice of the soldiers.*

*The poppy soon became a recognized symbol of the war and its human cost. Allied propaganda posters used the poppy to recruit soldiers and encourage people to buy war bonds. The poppy was also used in ceremonies to remember the war dead."*

The poppies are made by disabled veterans, and in the past the donations have gone to the Fisher House, Southwest Guide Dogs, Wounded Warriors, Tunnel to Towers, and the VFW National Home for Children. Thank you for any money you've donated to these causes by accepting these little red poppies.



**Veterans in the photos: David Casady, John Kindig, and Randy Johnson**





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## BINGO

*Kay Voorheis*



It has been a while since we have played Bingo in the Hacienda. At the time I am writing this, I have been assured that Bingo will be able to start again in December. I am hoping to reopen on Wednesday, December 6. Notices will be placed in all clubhouses, on NextDoor and possibly on Channel 732. As a reminder, doors will open at 4 PM, games will be sold from 5 to 6:15 PM and the games will start at 6:30 PM. Looking forward to seeing you at BINGO!

## CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS DANCES

*Marilyn Giddings*



We have 2 dances in December! The first is our Christmas Dance on Dec. 9th at 7:00-10:00PM at the Hacienda. Doors open at 6:30. Music provided by JC. Tickets are \$7 each and will be sold after coffee. We'll have 50/50 and Door Prizes. BYOB.

The New Years Eve Dance is on Dec. 31st at the Hacienda from 8:30PM-12:30AM. Music is by Uptown Funk. Door Prizes and 50/50. BYOB. Tickets are \$14 each and will be sold after coffee.

## LINE DANCING – OPEN TO EVERYONE

*Gail Marquis: 207-478-7986*



Line dancing will continue on the 1st Sunday and 3rd Sunday of every month. Tell your friends, all residents are invited! This event is free!! Many fun events are coming up for next year! Please check the flyers posted and NextDoor for details. May your holidays be safe and happy!

## OUR VFW IS SHAPING THE FUTURE

*Sue Peck, editor*

Our Rancho Veterans continue to make a positive impact on our community through a yearly scholarship program at the Pinellas Preparatory Academy, located just up the road on Belcher. In turn, the students treat our Veterans to a luncheon and a stage performance honoring the service they have given to their country. It's a win-win situation for everyone! Here's one of the student's, Corey (CJ) O'Neil, who spoke at this year's event.





## CHANNEL 732 FOR PARK INFORMATION

Andy Sauerzopf, [andsauerzopf@gmail.com](mailto:andsauerzopf@gmail.com)



The Rancho Village Channel 732 is back in service. It has so much information and news on the various clubs and activities; the kind of news that normally appears in the bulletin and is posted in the Clubhouses. Check it out! Information not sent in for the Monthly Bulletin can also be added to Channel 732 by email. Send your news and events to [jw012463@gmail.com](mailto:jw012463@gmail.com).

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On Sundays, we usually play competitive shuffleboard and this helps you sharpen your skills (because by this point, you will have lots of skills). We have a lot of fun doing all of this!

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LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING EVERYONE

## SAVE THE DATE: Interactive Dinner Theater is Back!

Julia West

You are invited to the 2024 Interactive Dinner Show, Murduh at Sneakuhs Bar, January 20th at the Hacienda. This popular feast of laugh-tuh is the product of your friends and neighbors in Rancho Village. You never knew they were brave enough, smart enough or funny enough to execute each other on stage while you enjoy a meal to die for. The setting is Sneakers Bar, the finest Bostonian-themed drinking establishment on Ulmerton Road. There is silver ... uh: silvuh ... to be won (or stolen), murder(s) to be solved, and dinner to be devoured. Tickets go on sale in January. Watch this space for more information.





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## MEN'S MONDAY GOLF LEAGUE

Rich Casali 727-524-8493



The league will begin on January 8, 2024 and will run through March 25, 2024. The league plays at Countryway Golf Club, which is a par 61 executive course. The first tee time is at 9:00 a.m., although we ask that all golfers be there by 8:30 a.m. There are currently openings for spares and full-time members. The league is comprised of two-man teams which play head-to-head matches utilizing handicaps. Spares are used when regular teams have a player or two missing. If there are no missing team members, spares that show up will be put together and play. No designated spare is turned away.

The course is located at 11111 West Waters Avenue, which is about 1.7 miles off of West Hillsborough Avenue and about four miles east of the Oldsmar Flea Market.

In the months prior to the beginning of the league and after the league ends, we continue to play every Monday. We select teams randomly from those present that day. We start at 9:00 and again we ask that everyone be there by 8:30 so that we can select teams.

If you are interested in joining the league or wish to participate in our non-league golf, please call Rich Casali at 727-524-8493 for information.

## ENTERTAINMENT SHOWS COMING YOUR WAY!

Suzanne Bourdeau, [suzannebourdeau@me.com](mailto:suzannebourdeau@me.com), 613-867-7277, lot 1010

Fantastic entertainment right here at Ranchero! For our first event on December 4th, Mark Ralston will entertain us with his world-class impressions. This talented entertainer performs multiple speaking and singing impressions of celebrities and entertainers that we're all familiar with. In addition, he will be performing his Classic Christmas Crooners show, which is sure to get us in the Holiday spirit.

Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased from Debbie at lot # 2135, call 917-842-4440, or from Jayne at lot # 2102, call 215-630-1638, or from Doug Rafters, lot # 1111, call 408-5692. There will be no door sales or refunds. Adults only. BYOB. Posters will be displayed at each Clubhouse.

In addition, we have planned a variety of other shows for your entertainment: On January 29, join us for a performance by the Two Shay Duo. This will include a Shania Twain Tribute as well as a variety show featuring a mixture of musical genres. On February 26 we will have a double billing, featuring a ventriloquist and a magician. March 25th will bring a Beatles Tribute show. More details on these shows to follow as they get closer. **Save these dates so you won't miss any of the fun!**





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## BLOOD DRIVE

Rachel Pigeon - Account Representative Pinellas County Cell: (802) 782-2556 – Okay to text.

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## LGBTQ AND FRIENDS

Johnny Mathes, 317-340-9139, [Johnny1659@gmail.com](mailto:Johnny1659@gmail.com)

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We hold monthly meetings and invite all of our LGBTQ community and their friends to join us. Our next meeting is December 10th at 1:00 at the Lakes Clubhouse. We chat about 30 minutes or so and then we take the group outside the Park for brunch/lunch/dinner at a local restaurant. Group decides (see latest photo below taken at the Italian Touch restaurant). Please consider joining us!



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10:00 Chapel C 1:00 LGBTQ L ***** 5:45 Line up for H Christmas Parade, Party after @ C	10 9:00 Exercises C 6:30 Cribbage C	11 9:30 He 12:00 C 6:00 Br 6:30 VI 6:15 Sh
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# Ranchero Village

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 8:00 Men's Breakfast H ***10-4:00 Mtg with H Bob Flanagan 1:00 Dart Ball L 6:00 Game Nite C	2 7:30 COFFEE H **9:30 - 4:00 H Mtg. with Bob Flanagan 12:00 Cards L
5 Seedless H. C Com. Club H Cards L Edge C A Mtg H Shuffle CTS	6 9:00 Exercise C 2:00 Cards C 6:15 BINGO H 6:30 Bible Study C	7 9:30 Outreach C 12:00 Cards L 4:00 Social Hour C 6:30 Euchre C 6:15 Shuffle CTS <b>Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day</b>	8 9:00 Exercise C 1:00 Dart Ball H 6:00 Game Nite C	9 7:30 COFFEE H ***** CHRISTMAS DANCE 6:30 Doors Open H 7:00 Dance starts H
12 Seedless H. C Cards L Edge C FW H Shuffle CT	13 9:00 Exercise C 10:30 Art Class C 6:15 BINGO H 6:30 Bible Study C	14 9:30 Outreach C 12:00 Cards L 4:00 Social Hour C 6:00 Euchre C 6:00 Music trivia H 6:15 Shuffle CTS	15 9:00 Exercise C *9:00-3:00 H ***** Toys for Tots 11:30 Wom. Club Lunch H 6:00 Game Nite C	16 7:30 COFFEE H 12:00 Cards L
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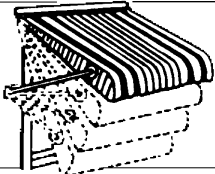
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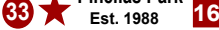
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## BOCCE BALL NEWS

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Please join us at the Lakes Clubhouse on Tuesday, January 9th when the League starts up again. Our mixed teams run for 10 weeks with a banquet the following week. A schedule will be made with play times at either 9, 10, or 11 with each person playing for about one hour each week.

Sign-up sheets are in all the clubhouses starting December 1st. Our organizational meeting is at the Lakes Clubhouse on Tuesday, January 3rd at 11 am. Contact Sandra Paparelli at [spapar1058@yahoo.com](mailto:spapar1058@yahoo.com), Donna Dahmm at [rddahmm@gmail.com](mailto:rddahmm@gmail.com), or Cathy Hula at [cahula0704@att.net](mailto:cahula0704@att.net) for any questions, or to let us know if you'd like to join. It's a fun league and you'll meet some new friends and neighbors.

NOTE: Feel Free to practice beforehand. The courts are by the Lakes Clubhouse and bocce balls are in the metal box next to the shed. Just be sure to put them back when you're done.

## THURSDAY SOCIALS

Anne Marshlow, 365-2601

Our Thursday Social has begun again. We meet every week from 4 to 6pm at the Corral Clubhouse. As always, please BYOB and a snack to share, if able. We have a great group of regulars and are seeing some new faces here and there. All residents are welcome to attend and join in some light conversation and have a few laughs. See you there!



## GAME NIGHT

Bob Goguen, Charlie Gilmette, Julia West

Join your neighbors on Friday nights at the Corral Clubhouse for Game Night. Board games, card games, dice games, domino games and map games -- we've played them all! Bring your own game and teach others, join a game you know, or learn a new one! We gather after 5:30 and start playing around 6 pm. If you need to come later you can join in the next round of a game or start a new one. Some even come and watch or just hang out with neighbors. Bring your own beverage. It's a fun evening that helps keep your brain sharp!



## WEIGHTS and AEROBICS EXERCISE CLASSES

Suzanne Bourdeau, [suzannebourdeau@me.com](mailto:suzannebourdeau@me.com), lot 1010



**W**e love doing this activity outdoors on Tuesdays at the Corral gazebo. I encourage you all to attend. However, exercises will be paused between Dec 6th to Jan 16th. So, no exercises Thursday Dec 7th, and yes Exercises on Tuesday, Jan 16th. Merry X-Mas everyone...Stay Healthy!

## RANCHERO VILLAGE CHORUS

Paul Allard, Lot# 2195, 729-7016



**W**e are very excited to let all residents and guests know that our Village Chorus members are planning to provide you with a FREE evening of Christmas music. This has been done prior to Christmas for many years, and we are happy to provide it for you once again!

Please mark your calendar for Monday, December 11th at 7:00p.m. at the Hacienda Club House. This will be a casual, fun evening to herald in the Christmas spirit in all of us. And if the Rancho Bell Choir has enough ringers, they will be joining us! Looking forward to seeing you there. Come out, enjoy, and support our Village activities.

Our Village Chorus always welcomes anyone who enjoys singing. Please feel free to check us out. We're grateful to have Nancy Farmer as our accompanist, but at this time, we are in need of a Choral Director. We appreciate your spreading the word. Hopefully, one will be found real soon.

## CHAPEL NEWS

Sue Post, (727) 560-9135

**C**hapel Services are every Sunday from 10-11:00am at the Corral Clubhouse, led by Pastor Tom Hamilton. Come early for coffee at 9:30am.

Ladies Prayer Circle meets at 2:00pm at the Lakes Clubhouse on the third Tuesday of the month. For any questions regarding the Prayer Circle, please contact Karen Ray.

Please join us every Wednesday from 6:30 – 8:00pm for Prayer and Bible Study. This is a great time to bring your personal prayers to the Lord, learn more about the Bible and enjoy a time of fellowship.

The chapel will hold both a worship service on Sunday morning, December 24th, and a Christmas Eve Service at 6:00 pm that evening. Wishing you a Merry Christmas and wonderful New Year. We look forward to seeing you.



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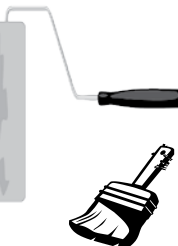


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Please contact me by email with what you want on the calendar so I receive your information properly – which clubhouse, month, day of the week, start and finish time. Please put your name and address and phone number on this notice from you.

If you need to contact me by phone, call me at 727-535-2439, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. I will need to have you sign a couple of papers and get a deposit, either by check or cash, from you at the time you sign the reservation, so call me before you come to make sure I am here and available. Looking forward to seeing you.

## THE BELLS ARE RETURNING TO RANCHERO!

Dorothea Montante, 294-9092, [dmontante706@gmail.com](mailto:dmontante706@gmail.com)

Thanks to the enthusiasm of some very dedicated Ranchemo residents, the handbells are being dusted off and the Bell Choir is coming out of retirement! If you're not familiar with them, you're in for a real musical treat.

We practice on Thursdays at the Corral from 11:30-12:30. It's a lot of fun and we can use new members, men and women. Come to watch or play. Or serve as a backup. You don't even need to read music. We use color queues on a large board to indicate when a bell is to be rung. If we get enough participants, we will be performing on Monday, December 11th at the Hacienda with the Ranchemo Village Chorus!

Last but not least, the Bell Choir wishes to thank the Ranchemo Chapel for supporting us through the years and allowing us to entertain the rest of our friends in Ranchemo. If you'd like to join, please contact Dorothea Montante at 294-9092, or by email: [dmontante706@gmail.com](mailto:dmontante706@gmail.com)



## CARD CLUB

Dave...507-7268

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## BOWLING

Debra Williams

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## OUTREACH

Mitzi Neumore, 535-5852

We've started meeting again at the Corral from 9:30-11:00. The volunteers make quilts, walker bags, tablecloths, pillows, bibs and more to donate to our residents and others. Save your extra fabrics and yarns for creating these items and please join us!



## WIFI IN THE CLUBHOUSES

Ask at the Office for the passwords if you want to use your computer in any of the clubhouses. The WiFi password is different for each of them.



## BULLETIN BOARDS

Charlie Gilmette

Bulletin boards are in every clubhouse for the use of the residents.

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Bill Reynolds

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Sue Peck, bulletin editor, [sdforest@aol.com](mailto:sdforest@aol.com), lot 749, 727-420-0543

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# YEAR-AT-A-GLANCE -



(Please send corrections to Sue Peck; sdforest@aol.com)

## 2023

**December:** Men's Club Breakfast: Dec 1. Entertainment Show: Dec 4.

Christmas Dance, Music by JC: Dec. 9th. Free Christmas Holiday music by Rancho Village Chorus: Dec. 11th. Women's Club Toys for Tots Lunch: Dec 15. Blood Drive Dec 16th in Hacienda Parking Lot. New Year's Eve Dance, Music by Up Town Funk: Dec 31st.

## 2024

**January:** Men's Club Breakfast: Jan 12. Interactive Dinner Theater: Jan 20th. Men's Club Chili dinner: Jan 25. VFW Hot Dog dinner: Jan. 27th. Shania Twain Tribute Show: Jan 29.

**February:** Men's Club Breakfast: Feb 9. Men's Club Casino Night: Feb 24. Valentine's Day Dance, Music by Still Rockin': Feb 17th. Magician and Ventriloquist Show: Feb 26.

**March:** Men's Club Breakfast: March 1. Men's Club Corned Beef Dinner: March 14. St Patty Dance, Music by Britney: March 16th. Beatles Tribute Show: March 26.

**April:** Snow Bird Dance, Music by Still Rockin': April 6th.

# December Sudoku


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<p><b>OTHER</b></p>	<p>HELLO CANADIANS! Canadian Club Canadien Gulf Coast Florida, having survived COVID, is now regrowing to promote fellowship among Canadians in Pinellas County, and foster goodwill with American people. Join us; for our monthly lunch with informative speakers, weekly golf, MLB game, dinner/theater, museums, deep sea fishing. Your first lunch is FREE! For information, email: cccgcf@galt.biz.</p>	<p>Sunset Palms MHP Annual Community Yard Sales, Open Houses, Auction, Raffle. January 27th, Kitchen is open 8-2. Starts in the Clubhouse.</p>
<p>GOLF club re-gripping and repair in Largo. Call/text 301-466-7090</p>	<p>Craft Sale 12/9/23 9AM -1PM at Ranch Mobile Park Clubhouse. Refreshments and food sale too</p>	<p><b>WANTED</b></p>
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