

March 2025

YUMA EAST COMMUNITY CLUB

"Offering our members recreation, entertainment, physical and mental benefits in a welcoming and safe environment."

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Membership desk hours: Monday – Friday, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.



Important News & Announcements for You

Introducing: Yuma East Community Club

The term "Country Club" evokes images of golf courses and tennis courts. That's why our desk workers get weekly calls requesting tee-times. At our last annual meeting, the board presented to the membership a proposal to change the club's name to more accurately reflect who we are and what activities we provide. Because the membership also voted to expand access to paying guests, we decided that now is the perfect time to introduce the **Yuma East Community Club**. Our legal name remains Yuma East Country Club, but we will be "doing business as" (dba) Yuma East Community Club. We are simply rebranding the club to better describe its function: a community of 55+ members who enjoy sharing recreational and social activities together.

- *Does this mean we all have to get new badges?* No. The important thing about the badge is **your** name. If you want to order a new badge that is fine, of course. Kathy Guerrero will take your order, and the \$10.00 fee remains the same.
- *Do we have to go through the lawyer to accomplish this change?* No. The state of Arizona provides an online form that our president, Mary Banks, is completing.
- *Do we have to change all of our forms at one time?* No. We have decided that we will redesign forms, stationary, envelopes etc. to reflect our new name as we run out of the old ones. We don't keep much on hand at one time so we should accomplish this part of the transition quickly.
- *What about the signage?* The good news is that our initials remain the same: **YECC**. Signs that contain our complete name will be transitioned as we can get to them.

Thank you to everyone who attended the annual meeting and helped facilitate this next chapter at YECC!

Meet & Greet

Saturday, March 1, 10-11 a.m.

Do you have questions about either YELOA or YECC? Sometimes members are hesitant to make phone calls when they have questions, or they might not be sure who they should talk to. That is precisely why we have this monthly event, so that we can meet with you face to face and get the answers you need. It is also a great time to meet with new members and share some of the opportunities we have to volunteer.

It's Ice Cream O'clock!

Sunday, March 2, 2 p.m.



Start the month off right with a sweet treat with friends at our monthly ice cream social. Don't forget to let us know if your birthday falls in March, so your ice cream confection will be FREE! (Or \$3.00, if it's not your birthday.) **Card Bingo** follows at approximately 2:45. Bring \$4.00 to play all afternoon.

YELOA Luncheons

Tuesdays during March

Come enjoy a **free** lunch and learn about the wonderful things happening in your community. The Lot Owners Association is here to protect your investment in Yuma East. They have set guidelines on how we live and work together. See the schedule below to know when your division is lunching at the YECC clubhouse. If you can't attend during your assigned week, you may come to any of the other luncheons. However, you will not be eligible for one of the three \$100 gift certificates toward your next membership dues at Yuma East Community Club.

District A	March 4, Noon
District B	March 11, Noon
District C	March 18, Noon
District D	March 25, Noon

Not sure what district your home is in? Check the attached district map to find out.

Pool News!

March 7 and March 22, 8 a.m.

On Friday, March 7, at 8 a.m., we'll gather in the courtyard for a needed work day. We'll focus on **cleaning the pool decks** and performing maintenance on the equipment in the courtyard.

On Saturday, March 22, at 8 a.m., we will **take down the dome**. We'll clean it, repair it, and store it for next year. We will also remove and store the covers for the conversation pool and the hot tub. You know it is *Springtime in Yuma* when the dome comes down. This is a process that takes a lot of helping hands (and some patience) to carefully deflate and store this wonderful winter amenity.

Happy Hour

Saturday, March 8, 4-6 p.m.

There's no better way to end a busy week than to share time with friends, munch on a snack, and buy a libation (alcoholic or not) at the bar. This is a great fundraiser, and the proceeds go to upgrade the game room ceiling, lights, and fans. Support your club by joining us anytime from 4-6 p.m.

Scandinavian Dance Music Party Club Fundraiser

Monday, March 10, 2 p.m.

Put on your dancing shoes and enjoy **The Desert Music Makers** for a mix of swinging dance tunes and traditional Scandinavian music. Special guest, Lone Bard, will lead the group, and her piano will really swing! There is a coupon in the White Sheet that you can clip to get a free lemonade and a cookie. Homemade cookies would be most welcome for us to serve. Donations at the door and the snack bar will all go to help the club.



2025 Ladies Luncheon: Boots and Lace

Saturday, March 15, Luncheon served at Noon
Tickets on sale now, \$20.00 per person

Join us for a fiesta celebrating the history of Yuma and the women who helped build our community at the turn of the 20th century. We've come a long way, and Mrs. Lillah Sanguinetti, our hostess, will introduce you to several important Yuman women of the early 1900's.

Menu

Generous homemade tortilla bowl with carne asada taco salad
Chips and salsa
Sopapillas cheesecake bars for dessert
Coffee and lemonade
One glass of White Peach Margarita is included
(The donation bar will be open for additional drinks if desired.)

Did we mention raffles? There will be raffles galore! You can buy a raffle ticket for a dollar or 6 for \$5.00 and vie for the basket of your choice. I've seen baskets of chocolate delights, original art, southwestern baskets, gift cards, gift certificates from local stores, door prizes, and much more. Don't miss this highlight of our spring season!

Tai Chi - New Time

Fridays, March 7, 21, and 28, 12:15 p.m.

The new Tai Chi Class will now be held at 12:15 p.m., just like the other classes that Loogpla holds on Sundays and Wednesdays. We hope the uniform time will eliminate confusion.

St. Patrick's Corned Beef and Cabbage Luncheon

Monday, March 17, 12 noon

You can't celebrate a bit of the green without corned beef and cabbage! Chef LeeAnn is also adding potatoes and carrots, roll and butter, and a bit of a green dessert. Only \$8.00 for members and \$10.00 for guests. Tickets are on sale now at the front desk.



Craft & Chat: Fused Glass with Debbie Anderson

Wednesday March 19 2:00 p.m.

Debbie Anderson is a Fused Glass and Stained-Glass artist from King City, near Tigard, Oregon. This is her second winter in our community, and she loves it here!

Debbie started doing stained glass around 1980, making little sun catchers and windows. As her abilities and interest grew, she made much larger windows and room dividers. On a trip to purchase supplies, she saw a fused glass ornament and said, "How do you do that?" After three or four classes, she purchased the first of three kilns, the largest being 4' x 2' x 3'. With her day job being in the incentive business, she started making awards with corporate logos. This included necklaces with logos for K2, Boeing, Nike, and many others. One company ordered 80 awards!

Her display in the lobby of the clubhouse will have lots of sparkle. She uses dichroic glass, which has a sheen that varies when looked at from different directions, and she also uses iridescent glass. You will love seeing her wide variety of tiles from kitchen to bathrooms to sidewalks to mirror frames. She has a Facebook page if you would like to check it out: 'Designs by Deborah.'

Out To Eat!

Thursday, March 20, 4 p.m.

Are you ready for another culinary adventure? Meet us at 4 p.m. at the all-new Izzy's Restaurant on Foothills Boulevard. (The former Jimmie K's.)

**Yuma East Lifelong Learning Seminar:
AZ Farm Bureau
Friday, March 21, 1 p.m.**

One of the board members of the Arizona Farm Bureau will be speaking on agriculture in the Yuma Valley. They will be discussing the types of crops, the processing of the crops, the water issues, and the new technology that will make Yuma growers successful in the future.



So many people to thank for making the club a success!

Thank you, Peggy Quinn, for taking on the bar at our February **Happy Hour!** Peggy is also one of the readerboard workers. She, Jim McCann, and Bill Heikens rotate the updates on the readerboard outside the clubhouse every week. Speaking of which, we could really use a couple of new volunteers. Contact Sally Weatherston at 812-229-4609 if you would be willing to join the rotation.

Thanks to Bill and Judi Heikens, Jim Hogg, Barb Henderson, Hope Anderburg, Mikie Rinehart, Dawn Gonzalez, and all the Hand, Foot, and Toe people that made our **French Toast Feast** such a success!

Thanks to Dawn and Roy Gonzalez for making the Valentine's **Chase the Ace** sparkle with decorations and prizes! Everybody had a wonderful time!

And finally, a very special thank you. I heard so many times that our **Yard Sale** is the best in town, the cleanest in town, the best organized in town, etc. etc. etc. I was excited to share this praise with Rich and Billie, and Rich said, "It's not me, it's all the workers. I don't tell them what to do, I just say, 'Do it your way, and make it great.' And they do, every year." If we haven't already patted you on the back enough, consider this a one more big *whomp!*

Book Club

Monday, March 24, 10 a.m.

Join us for a great time of discussion as we share our book-of-the-month. Ruth, our fearless leader, would be glad to sign you up if you haven't already joined in the fun! Ruth can be reached at 224-430-6096.



Regatta and YECC Birthday Party

Saturday, March 29

Games Start 10 a.m., Luncheon at Noon

Who knew that boat races in the pool would be so much fun! Last year we had three radio controlled boats to race and this year we've got more! Come at 10 a.m., grab a mimosa at the donation bar, and place your bets on who you think be the winner in each race. After the first heats, the winners will battle for the coveted "Captain" award. Last year the winner was Dodd Lowe, so come take on the master of the boat!

The Hand, Foot and Toe game players will be at it again with a reprise of their wonderful baked potato and salad bar! This will be a great way to cap off our annual Regatta AND a birthday celebration. YECC turns 37 this year, and we just had to have candles and cake to celebrate. \$8.00 for Members and \$10.00 for guests.

Committee Meetings to Remember:



Activities Committee: Wednesday, March 5, 9 a.m.

Finance Committee: Monday, March 10, 11 a.m.

Desk Workers Committee: Monday, March 17, 10 a.m.

YECC Board Meeting: Wednesday, March 19, 10 a.m.

YELOA Board Meeting: Monday, March 24, 1 p.m.

Remember:

**Yuma East Community Club
(building and grounds)
is a non-smoking property.**