

FAIR

# Bell Fun Fair scheduled for March 24

## Showcase clubs, activities at center

By Tom Allen

SPECIAL TO INDEPENDENT  
NEWSMEDIA

Bell Recreation Center, 16820 N. 99th Ave., will host a fun fair later in March.

The Bell Fun Fair and Open House is scheduled 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, March 24 to showcase the various fun and exciting club activities at the center.

Visitors are encouraged to enter the clubrooms to view demonstrations and displays, including steam engine operations, metal fabrication, segmented wooden bowl turning, silver jewel-

ry making and many other crafts. Visitors will have the opportunity to purchase raffle tickets for lots of beautiful and valuable craft items. Many clubs will offer items for sale at reasonable prices.

Friends of the Sun City Library and Books Around the Corner bookstore will have a 25-cent paperback book sale. There will be an antique and custom car show along with a disk jockey playing musical favorites and a wide variety of other entertainment throughout the day. Food will be available as well.

Call Ellen Hill, Bell Fun Fair committee chairwoman, at 623-972-0860.

**Editor's Note:** Mr. Allen is Bell Fun Fair publicity chairman.

**WELCOME**



**TO THE FOURTH**



**SUN CITY**

**CARNIVAL OF CLUBS**

**SPONSORED BY THE RECREATION CENTERS OF SUN CITY, INC.**

**AT SUNDIAL RECREATION CENTER**

**FRIDAY NOVEMBER 26, 1976 10 AM - 6 PM**

**SATURDAY NOVEMBER 27, 1976 10 AM - 6 PM**

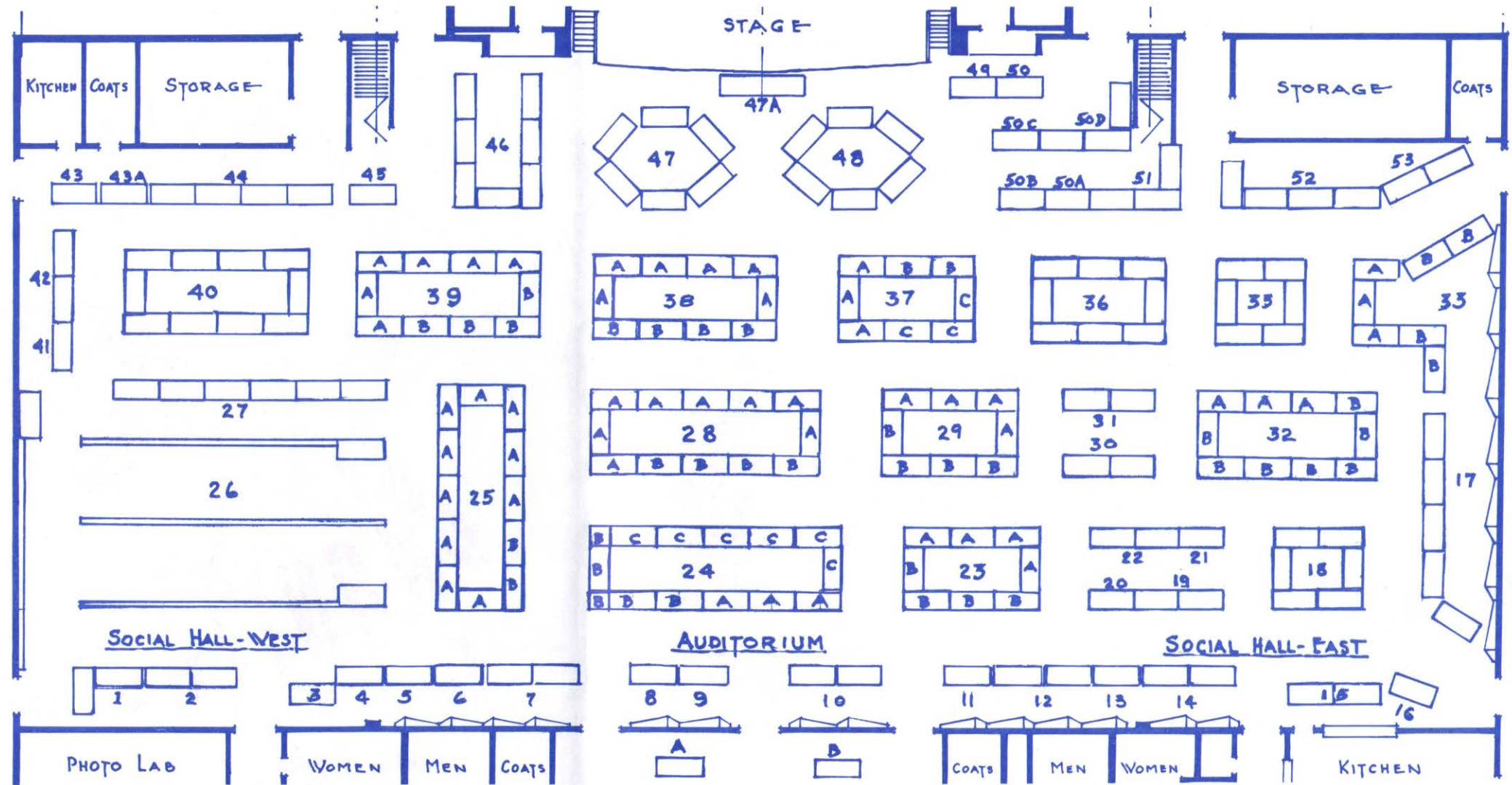
**PARTICIPATING CENTERS:**

**BELL, FAIRWAY, LAKEVIEW, MOUNTAIN VIEW, OAKMONT AND SUNDIAL**

**CARNIVAL CHAIRMAN - ROY CORDERMAN**

**Key to Club Locations:**

- 10. AARP #4
- 40. Agricultural
- 26. Bell Art
- 6. Bell (Fri. Nite) Bridge
- 18. Bell Ceramics
- 39A. Bell Crafts
- 37B. Bell Metal (47A)
- 39B. Bell Silvercraft
- 43A. Big Sisters of Arizona
- 3. Chess
- 25A. China Painting
- 13. Civitan of Sun City
- 35. Coin
- 11. Cycle Mates
- 1. Democratic
- 45. Dutch Treat
- 4. Friends of the Library
- 26. Fairway Art
- 24C. Fairway Ceramics
- 24B. Fairway Lapidary
- 24A. Fairway Silvercraft
- 44. Fairway Woodworking
- 38B. Girls Ranch
- 23B. Handi-Capables
- 19. Handweavers Guild
- 49. Harmony Organ
- 5. Home Owners Assn.
- 50A. Kaffe Klatch
- 30. Kiwanis of Sun City
- 20. Ladies Oriental Shrine
- 26. Lakeview Art
- 32B. Lakeview Handicrafters
- 32A. Lakeview Lapidary
- 17. Lakeview Woodworking
- 41. Leathercraft
- 12. Marinette Civitans
- 16. Mini-Golf
- 53. Model Railroading
- 47. Mosaics



- 50C. Musicians
- 46. Rose and Garden
- 26. Sundial Art
- 7. Valley of the Sun Soroptimist
- 23A. Needle, Arts and Crafts
- 43. Salvation Army
- 29A. Sundial Ceramics
- 8. Veterans of WWI
- 36. Oakmont Ceramics
- 37A. Sewing Belles
- 28A. Sundial Craft
- 13. Volunteers for Recording for the Blind
- 33A. Oakmont Lapidary
- 33B. Sew and Sew
- 29B. Sundial Rock and Gem
- 14. Optimist
- 50B. Sheriff's Posse
- 37C. Sundial Silvercraft
- 31. Woman's League
- 2. Photo Lab.
- 52. Sportsman
- 51. Sun Grams Social
- A. Recreation Centers
- 48. Puppets
- 22. Sun City Lions
- 27. Stamp
- 28B. Stitches
- B. Carnival of Clubs
- 9. Recorded Readings for Blind
- 50. Sun City Organ
- 28. Sundial Art
- 38A. Stitch, Knit and Craft
- 15. Republican
- 50D. Sun City Players
- 49. Handweavers Guild
- 21. Sun City Square
- 50. Sun City Organ
- 42. UNICEF
- 25B. Rockhound

## PROGRAM

PLACE TIME	AUDITORIUM	MALL (EXCEPT SWIM CLUB)*	MINI GOLF COURSE	BOWLING GREEN	SHUFFLEBOARD COURT	
<b>FRIDAY - NOVEMBER 26</b>						
10:00 - 11:00	RHYTHM RAMBLERS		MATCH PLAY BY SUN CITY CHAMPIONS	LAWN BOWLING DEMONSTRATION GAMES BY ALL 5 OF THE SUN CITY CLUBS	CLUB DEMONSTRATION PLAY	
11:00 - NOON	POLKA BAND		OPEN PLAY		OPEN PLAY	
NOON - 1:00	ORGAN MUSIC		MATCH PLAY BY SUN CITY CHAMPIONS		ROUND ROBIN PLAY BY CLUB MEMBERS	
1:00 - 2:00	SALON MUSIC GROUP		WATER BALLE T SWIM POOL		OPEN PLAY WITH INSTRUCTION AVAILABLE	TURKEY SHOOT COMPETITION PUBLIC INVITED TO PARTICIPATE
2:00 - 3:00	DANCE BAND		SUN CITY TWIRLERS MALL			
3:00 - 3:30						
3:30 - 4:00	ORGAN CONCERT BY ALL SUN CITY ORGAN CLUBS					
4:00 - 4:30						
4:30 - 5:00						
5:00 - 6:00						
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3:00 - 3:30						
3:30 - 4:00						
4:00 - 4:30						
4:30 - 5:00						
5:00 - 6:00		NOTE: NOTHING SCHEDULED AFTER 5 P.M.				

\*Swimming Pool open to public except from 1:45 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

# Shop centers set crafts, art bazaar

Area residents will have an opportunity Friday and Saturday to see and buy at the second annual "Show and Sell."

Exhibiting in both Sun Bowl Plaza and Plaza del Sol shopping centers, 107th and Peoria avenues, a large group of arts and crafts enthusiasts will display and offer for sale a wide variety of handiwork ranging from knitted TV socks to framed oil paintings to jewelry.

The event, sponsored by merchants of the two shopping centers, gives recognition to the skills and dedication of practitioners of nearly a score of different manual activities.

SHOW AND SELL is an outgrowth of the periodic display of paintings formerly held in the Sun City Decorators' shop. Encouraged by proprietor George Beran, local artists

responded with such enthusiasm to the opportunity of exhibiting their work that the show soon expanded beyond the capacity of the store.

It now includes many examples of handicrafts as well as artwork.

The show will bring to public view several basic types of artwork, including examples of oil painting, watercolor, tempera, and other media produced by nearly 50 Sun City artists.

**MORE THAN** a dozen handicraft clubs also plan to exhibit members' work, including woodwork, ceramics, mosaics, knitting, crocheting, sewing, and others.

Exhibits will be displayed on tables placed throughout the two shopping center areas, with artwork grouped between tables.



MOSAIC WORK of outstanding quality is turned out by students of Mrs. Ida Mae Schwartz (center), instructor, in Town Hall North Arts and Crafts center. Class, which includes Mrs. Netia Dalton (left)

and Mrs. Verona Hiland, will offer items for sale at Show and Sell Friday and Saturday at Plaza del Sol and Sun Bowl Plaza shopping centers.

(News-Sun Staff Photo)



Gazette Staff Photo

### HOBBIES FEATURED AT BAZAAR

Sun City hobbyists (from left) Mrs. Bernice Finkernagel, Mrs. Henry L. Schwartz and Mrs. Richard Hughes Jr., compare mosaics and ceramics made for the Christmas bazaar in retirement community during weekend. Display also included jewelry, needlework and leathercraft.

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## Oakmont Celebrates Its' 23rd

Saturday, April 2nd is the day set aside at Oakmont Recreation Center for the annual FUN FAIR. Hours will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. OAKMONT boasts the distinction of being the first and original recreation center of Sun City started by Del Webb 23 years ago.

1983 will bring many improvements to Oakmont which all are invited to share. Entertainment will start at 10 a.m. The Sun City Polka Band will plunk your favorite tunes directed by Ken Apgar on the auditorium stage.

There will be chair caning demonstrations, displays and exhibits of items crafted by the following craft clubs, Ceramics, Mosaics, Lapidary and Silvercraft.

Clown Andy Benji will be on hand to greet you and help make your day a memorable FUN FAIR DAY AT OAKMONT.

All Clubs will urge you to join and enjoy their many activities.

April, 1983

## Shopping Centers Slate Arts, Crafts Show. , Sell

The Plaza del Sol and Sun Bowl Plaza shopping centers will be the scene of an Arts and Crafts Sellarama in which at least 15 clubs will display their works and offer them for sale.

It will be held during store hours from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, under sponsorship of the merchants of the two shopping centers.

George Beran, vice president of the Plaza del Sol Merchants Association, said this marks the first time the shopping centers have held a combined arts and crafts show.

If it proves a success, similar shows will be held in the future, he said.

The displays will be in front of the stores of the centers

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(OVER)

# Apple Dumpling Fest promises fun

## Thousands expected to attend festivities

By **MIKE RUSSO**  
Independent Newspapers

While most apple festivals are held in the fall, following the annual harvest, Sun City chooses the spring to pay homage to the delicious fruit.

Sun City's eighth annual Apple Dumpling Festival will held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. April 9 at the Lakeview Recreation Center.

The event typically draws one of the largest crowds of any Sun City activity, so you are liable to see anyone at the festival, with the possible exception of Don Knotts, Tim Conway and the rest of the Apple Dumpling Gang.

"It's a big event," said Doug Caravaggio, one of the festival organizers. "We get about 5,000 or 6,000 people attending. We serve

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### If you go

**What:** Eighth Annual Apple Dumpling Festival  
**When:** 9 a.m.-3 p.m. April 9  
**Where:** Lakeview Recreation Center

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over 3,000 apple dumplings."

The festival, sponsored by the Recreation Centers of Sun City, Inc., is six hours of food, fun, entertainment, raffles and socializing.

Entertainment will be available, starting at 9 a.m., on the patio and poolside.

Dotty and Friends gets the entertainment under way on the patio. They will be followed by: Russ Krueger Jazz Band, 9:45 a.m.;

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Leroy's Karaoke, 11 a.m.; Veronika Barnes, accordionist and singer, 11:30 a.m.; Ken Walker, organist, noon; Harmonicaires, 1:15 p.m.; Jim and Bob Hollinsworth, singers, 2 p.m.; and Lucy Hays, guitarist and singer, 2:30 p.m.

Poolside, the entertainment lineup begins with the Sun City Line Dance Club, 9 a.m. They will be followed by: Women's Chorus, 9:30 a.m.; Desertaires, 10 a.m.; Aqua Suns, 10:30 a.m.; Choraliers, 11:30 a.m.; Banjo Band, noon; Sun Liners, 1 p.m.; Tip Top Dance Club, 1:30 p.m.; and Hungry 5+.

Epicurean delights on the menu include Italian sausage and peppers sandwiches, bratwurst, chicken breast sandwiches, hot dogs and potato chips.

That can be topped off with the day's featured dish — apple dumplings. All items can be washed down with a soda, coffee or bottled water.

Food and beverages items range in price from 50 cents to \$2.

For those with a sweet tooth, unsated by the apple dumpling, caramel-coated kettle corn will also be sold.

There will also be bake sale in Social Hall 3, conducted by five clubs. The sale will feature sugar-free treats.

For those seeking a diversion from the scheduled entertainment, boat rides will be available, courtesy of the Viewpoint Lake Homeowners' Association and bingo will be held at 2 p.m. in Social Hall 2.

Mementos of the day will be available in the form of T-shirts, \$7, plastic apples with your name and the date inscribed and photos. The Calligraphy Club is selling the plastic apples, available in three sizes,

for 75 cents, \$1.50 and \$5.

The Camera Club will be selling Polaroid pictures, with Viewpoint Lake as the backdrop, for \$1.50

Since a large crowd is expected to attend the festival, organizers are urging attendees to park in the lots at the Lakes Club and Methodist Church and use the shuttle system. Shuttle buses will travel between the recreation center and the outer lots every 15 minutes.

"It's a good way to avoid the parking crunch," said Pat Bruyn, RCSC clubs and activities manager.

The idea for the festival was spawned eight years ago by Jim Warfield, RCSC general manager, to promote a new menu item at the coffee shop — apple dumplings. "It was quite popular and the festival grew from that," explained Ms. Bruyn.

"Basically it is a fun event to conclude the year. It has always been held at the conclusion of the fun fairs; always the week after Easter," she added.

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**Patricia Bruyn**  
RCSC clubs  
and activities manager

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Monday, March 31, 1997

# Last Fun Fair packs center

By MARY L. CRIDER  
Staff writer

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The Sun City Poise member shrugged. "There's nothing in here," she told a driver waiting patiently for a parking place to open up in the Fairway Recreation Center parking lot.

In fact, because of the 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Fairway Fun Fair, parking places in the median on Peoria Avenue and across the streets at the shopping centers were also packed full Saturday, with three cars lined up, ready to dash for the spot each time an earlier fairgoer tentatively inched his or her vehicle out of its slot. Still, people poured in — couples arrived on foot, families via bicycles, even by golf cars crammed with enough extended family members to resemble the circus cars that unload a seemingly endless stream of clowns.

It seemed that everybody and their grandkids turned out for the last of the season's recreation centers' fun fairs.

Crystal Grijalva, 12, of El Paso, Texas, granddaughter of Elli Grijalva of El Paso, and great-niece of Renate Alford of Sun City, accompanied by her relatives, glanced from booth to booth, excitedly taking in the many exhibits displayed during the Fairway Fun Fair.

She stood poolside and watched as six Aqua Swimmers performed a gracefully complicated synchronized

routine to Big Band-type music.

Then her whole face lit up when her great-aunt said, "The train is this way," and led the girl and Grijalva to the Sun City Model Railroad Club room where the New River & Western Sun City Arizona Model Railroad keeps at least three trains running at all times.

Crystal loves trains. Her uncle works for a railroad.

She watched fascinated as the engines pulled their cars past towns, mountains, pastures, past pumping oil wells and busy highways, past tiny people enjoying themselves in parks and playgrounds, and as they pulled into the bustling railyard. The display fills the entire room. Crystal pulled out her camera and began shooting the scenes.

Urged by her grandmother and great-aunt, Crystal reluctantly left the room, pausing long enough to sign the guest book.

"I thought it was great and beautiful, and I took some pictures because I thought it was beautiful. I want to live here!" she said, glancing wistfully back toward the club room.

"You've got another 43 years before you'll be old enough," Alford teased her.

Then the trio melted into the crowd to inspect more of the goodies, activities and talent on exhibit.

Those exhibits included a large Sun City Agricultural Club booth selling produce, herbs, fruits, vege-

tables, cactuses and flowers, grown by their approximately 165 gardeners in their approximately 300 gardens and greenhouses.

"We raise these from seed and gardeners purchase them," said Bob Faron of Sun City, of the herbs, tomato and pepper plants on sale. "We do a lot of work for the Westside Food Bank. We contributed about 13,000 pounds of vegetables last year."

Proceeds from the group's fun fair sales will be used to fence in the two garden areas, plagued by rabbits, used to raise vegetables for the food bank, said club vice president Barbara LaBar of Sun City.

"We're hustling our bustles," LaBar said of the club's brisk sales of cabbage, Swiss chard, beets, turnips, leeks and other culinary delights.

Other exhibits by the recreation center's clubs included hand-painted platters, plates, saucers, socket covers, wall plaques and china Easter eggs by the Sun City China Painting Club; used books; caps, slippers, jackets and hanger covers by the Fairway Knitters; clocks, bookends, pen holders and string ties by the Fairway Lapidary Club; sterling silver and turquoise jewelry by the Fairway Silvercraft Club; one-bottle wine racks, apple-shaped collapsible snack trays, a laptop desk and numerous children's toys by talented woodworkers; delicate ceramics and a multitude of other items.



# Fun fairs offer clubs showcases

**SUN CITY:** Six weekly events start Saturday at Bell Recreation Center

**VERINA E. PALMER**  
SPECIAL TO THE DAILY NEWS-SUN

There's a new twist on a traditional spring event at Sun City's recreation centers.

Organizers of the annual Spring Fun Fair are trying new things to draw crowds to the arts-and-crafts fairs held each spring at six of the Sun City recreation centers. This year, Oakmont Center will open a beer garden and Lakeview Center will have a special fashion show.

"All fun fairs seem like they're always the same," said Herb Kobetitch, president of Oakmont Lapidary and Silver Craft Club. "You know, you get bored. We thought we better do something different, attract more people."

On March 24, Oakmont Center, 10725 Oakmont Drive at 107th Avenue, will offer bratwurst, sweet Italian sausages and hot dogs that can be enjoyed with ongoing entertainment, including a banjo band and karaoke.

"We're calling it SpringFest this time — we're going to have like an OktoberFest," Kobetitch said. "A little music, a little food, a little drink. It should be a happy time."

Bell Recreation Center will host the first of the six weekly fun fairs from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at 16820 N. 99th Ave.

"I think we have more entertainment this year," said Chairman Gerry Saull.

Strolling musicians will entertain guests, who also can enjoy catered food and mingle at the flea market, where hand-crafted treasures will be sold.

"We have some wonderful crafts people — really beautiful stuff," Saull said. "Their prices are excellent."

Patricia Bruyn, clubs

and activities manager for the Recreation Centers of Sun City, said each of the fun fairs is a little different: "It's basically just for people to come out and have a good time."

On March 3, Lakeview Center Fun Fair will feature line dancing at 9:30 a.m., followed by a fashion show of clothing made by club members at 10:30. Then the Aqua Suns will give a synchronized-swimming demonstration in the pool at 11, and there will be arts and crafts, music and food throughout the day. The center is located at 10626 W. Thunderbird Blvd.

Other fun fairs will be held March 10 at the Marinette Center, 9860 Union Hills Drive; March 17 at the Fairway Center, 10600 W. Peoria Ave.; and March 31 at the Sundial Center, 14801 N. 103rd Ave. at Boswell Boulevard.

The fun fairs provide showcases for the various Recreation Centers of Sun City clubs as well as the

talents of their individual members. The Oakmont Silver Craft Club, for example, will polish silver jewelry for those who attend. The Artistic Weavers will demonstrate how they make blankets, and the Grandmother's Club will have an arts-and-crafts and bake sale. Kobetitch said.

There will be chorus music, tap-dancing and sing-a-longs at the Marinette Center, as well as booths for the clubs to display leather crafts, clay products, china painting, calligraphy and stamps, according to Ed Miller, Marinette Center supervisor.

"It's not only to display their crafts, it's also to solicit new people for the clubs," Miller said.

For information about the fun fairs, call any of the six recreation centers: Bell Recreation Center, 876-3040; Fairway, 876-3044; Lakeview, 876-3000; Marinette, 876-3054; Oakmont, 876-3046; and Sundial, 876-3048.

# Fun Fair draws crowd

By BRUCE ELLISON  
DAILY NEWS-SUN

You could get anything you wanted at the Marinette Fun Fair Saturday.

Anything, that is, but a parking space. Soon after the fair opened its door, the lot at the Marinette Recreation Center was full, and residents were using side streets and commercial lots nearby.

When they made it back to the center, the first of the six annual Fun Fairs was in full swing.

Inside the auditorium, the Polka Band was just packing up about 10 a.m., and Kelley Greenburg was marshaling her troupe of Tip Top Dancers for a performance.

The tap dance crowd meets at Marinette regularly, and includes men and women, she said. "Last weekend we did a variety show called 'Dancin,' Singin' and Lots More Stuff' to raise funds for hospice, and we sold out two performances," she explained.

The dancers were followed by the Aqua Suns synchronized swim team — in the pool, naturally, not in the auditorium.

Watching the festivities was a couple from Minnesota — Bill and Marci Drews, who conceded they were too young just yet to become Sun Citians, but rather were visiting resident Jerry Larson with another Minnesota couple.

"It's warm," said Marci, which made it different from Minnesota where there were no trees laden with oranges or grapefruit just yet.

Inside the Clay Corner at Marinette, Anne Lohman, described by club president Betty Jane Peters as "a talented artist who does wonderful things," was making a decorative bowl from ugly brown clay.

"When it's done it will be a grape bowl," she said, with a twined grapevine decor, unglazed. A similar large vessel, already complete but not fired, was decorated with a large rose and would be painted pink.

Peters proudly showed off a small model, called a maquette, of a

planned life-size memorial statue that the group hopes to make and put on public display somewhere in Sun City.

It will honor the efforts of the thousands of volunteers the community has produced.

The group already has a quiet fund-raising effort under way, Peters said. To be honored on the memorial are the Posse; the Prides; Boswell hospital volunteers; workers at the libraries and art museum; a dog, representing Sun Cities Animal Rescue; citrus and flowers for the Rose and Garden clubs, Agricultural Club and West Side food bank helpers; and a child, representing the untold thousands who have been helped by donated time from Sun Citians.

Another club member, Howard Kalt, showed off his hand-made collection of story-teller dolls. The dolls represent an Indian mother with clutches of children around her skirts listening as she tells the story of her people to youth. The largest doll, about 15 inches high, has 78 youngsters portrayed, plus two dogs and a duck.

Booths outside gave residents information about the Posse, the Home Owners Association, the recreation centers board, the Newcomers Club

and the Ambassadors and Visitors Center.

Inside, a small display from members of the Sun City Stamp Club caught the attention of visitors, as did a Mah Jongg game. Yes, there is a Mah Jongg Club, about 50 folks, none of them of Chinese origin, playing the Chinese tile game regularly, said president Jane Chessin.

"It's partly luck and partly skill," added member Eileen Wayne, who likened the game to the rummy game played with cards.

The Stamp Club holds its fourth annual auction tonight at 7 p.m. at Marinette. Lots for sale will be on view starting at 6 p.m. and non-members are welcome to participate, officials said.

Outside, but not part of the official displays, were J. Oswald (known to his friends as Os, or maybe Oz) and buddy Jim Zank, playing tennis with a machine.

The device, loaded with about 200 green balls, was at one end of one of the four courts, with Os and Zank at the other.

Next week's Fun Fair is from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Fairway Recreation Center, 107th and Peoria avenues.

All activities except the food are free to residents and guests.



Steve Cherneck/Daily News-Sun

Connie Turner poses with her small model of a proposed statue honoring Sun City volunteers at the Clay Corner at Marinette Saturday during the Fun Fair.



Steve Chemek/Daily News-Sun

Ed Davey of Sun City West and Delores Ethler of Sun City examine wind chimes on display at the Marinette Fun Fair Saturday.



Steve Chernek/Daily News-Sun

Ed Davey of Sun City West and Delores Ethler of Sun City examine wind chimes on display at the Marinette Fun Fair Saturday.



Planning for the Oakmont Fun Fair for Saturday, Nov. 1 are committee co-chairman Marjorie Boone (left) and Ida Mae Schwartz.

## Oakmont Fair Nov. 1

Music, refreshments, demonstrations, and gift items are part of the fun planned for the Oakmont Fun Fair on Nov. 1 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Club operations, projects, membership re-

quirements, programs, and other information will be explained at various booths by the Sun City Camera Club, Democratic Club, and Republican Club among others.

Doughnuts and coffee

will be served at a nominal cost during the day, courtesy of the Men's Club and musical entertainment will be provided in the morning by pianist Herb Rudolph and in the afternoon by the Sun City Banjo Band.

### Clubs will show skills at fun fair

SUN CITY — Demonstrations of club products and skills, exhibits of holiday gifts, entertainment and refreshments — this is the agenda for today's Oakmont Fun Fair.

The fair will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Oakmont Recreation Center in Sun City. The event is one of a series of fall fairs held at centers throughout Sun City. Ida Mae Schwartz and Marjorie Boone are co-chairwomen.

Club operations, projects, membership requirements, programs and other data will be explained at various booths by the Sun City

Camera Club, Democratic Club, Wednesday Afternoon Bridge Club, Kaffeeklatch and Republican Club.

Among the products made by Ceramic Club members and available at the fair are lavabos, Christmas trees, Nativity scenes and animals.

The Mosaic and Craft Club will be exhibiting patio tables and stools. The Needle Art and Craft Club and the Lapidary and Silvercraft Club also will have displays.

Pianist Herb Rudolph will perform from 10:30-11:30 a.m., and the Sun City Banjo Band will play from 1-2 p.m. Doughnuts and coffee will be sold throughout the day.

# Oakmont to host final Fun Fair

The final recreation center Fun Fair will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday in Oakmont Center. The center was the first recreation unit established in Sun City.

Entertainment will start at 10 a.m. with the Sun City Polka Band playing on the South Patio until 11. Water-ballet will be presented in the pool from 11:15 to 11:45. The Sun City Banjo Band will play in the auditorium from 1 to 2 p.m.

(Spectators won't go hun)

gry at the fair, so they are encouraged to remain for the full day. Coffee and cinnamon buns will be sold during the morning, and a food cart of cold drinks and hot dogs will be stationed in front of the shuffleboard court at noon.

Demonstrations will be presented in the Ceramics, Mosaics, Lapidary and Silvercraft rooms. The Oakmont Cane Club will demonstrate chair-caning in the auditorium.

Displays and exhibits

will be presented by the following clubs: Needle Arts and Crafts, Sun City Grandmothers Club, Sun City Stars, Sun City Federated Women's Club, Sun City Democratic Club and the Sun City Variety Club. Other clubs include Oakmont Lawn Bowling Club, Oakmont Shuffleboard Club, Oakmont Koffee Klatsch, Empire State Social Club and the Sun City Canasta Club.

The Oakmont Men's Club will serve coffee and cookies on the South Patio during the day and the Sun City Prides and Posse will distribute literature in front of the auditorium.

The gift shop will be open with crafts from various Oakmont Recreation

Center clubs displayed. The gift shop is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays for gift items.

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**Fill Your Christmas Stockings with Gifts from the**

**SUN CITY ARTS and CRAFTS FAIR**

**November 7-8-9**

**Chris-Town Shopping Center**  
15th Ave. - 19th Ave.  
on West Bethany Home Road

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Marlene Krueger, standing, and Elizabeth Rhoads, both with the Artistic Weavers club, work during the Oakmont Fun Fair in 2001.



JOY LAMBERT-SLAGOWSKI/DAILY NEWS-SUN

## Oakmont Fun Fair starts season

STAFF REPORT

The Recreation Centers of Sun City kicks off its annual Spring Fun Fairs Feb. 22 at Oakmont Recreation Center, 10725 Oakmont Drive.

Oakmont's fair, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., is based on the theme "First Affair," and will celebrate not just being the first Fun Fair of 2003, but the fact that Oakmont is Sun City's first recreation center, and Feb. 22 is the birthday of the nation's first president, George Washington.

Visitors are encouraged to wear 1960s attire to celebrate the era when Oakmont first opened its doors.

Hotdogs, bratwurst, roasted corn, soda, beer and dessert will be for sale, and the day's events will include live entertainment, demonstrations featuring Oakmont's clubs and free lawn bowling lessons.

Oakmont's festival is the first in a series of Spring Fun Fairs held each year in Sun City. Running through the end of March, the fairs will take place each Saturday at

### IF YOU GO

- **WHO:** Area residents are invited.
- **WHAT:** Oakmont Spring Fun Fair, the first in the annual Sun City fairs.
- **WHEN:** 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Feb. 22.
- **WHERE:** Oakmont Recreation Center, 10725 Oakmont Drive.

the seven Sun City recreation centers. Each will have a theme and will be unique to the clubs making up that particular center.

Every fair will be packed with fun, food and entertainment. A wide variety of activities will be featured. Each event will be catered by the Recreation Centers of Sun City catering department.

The schedule of Spring Fun Fairs is:

- Feb. 22: Oakmont, 10725 W. Oakmont Ave.
- March 1: Sundial, 14801 N. 103rd Ave.
- March 8: Bell, 16820 N. 99th Ave.
- March 15: Lakeview, 10626 W. Thunderbird Blvd.
- March 22: Marinette, 9860 W. Union Hills Drive.
- March 29: Fairway, 10600 W. Peoria Ave.

# Fun fair season starts in Sun City

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The annual Fun Fairs that kick off on Saturday in Sun City promise to be as lively and spirited as ever, complete with everything from clowns to lawn bowling.

Cheryl Johnson, club activities supervisor for the Recreation Centers of Sun City, is coordinating the Fun Fairs, which will be held every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. through March 27 at the different recreation centers in Sun City.

"It's so unique. It's one of the biggest parties we have," Johnson said, adding last year, about 4,000 people attended the events. "The clubs feel it's a great way to showcase their center and to get new members to join their club."

The clubs at each center rotate a host club yearly that is responsible for organizing the theme, decoration and entertainment for their facility's fair. Food is catered by the RCSC caterers and menus are selected to compliment the chosen themes. Clubs will perform demonstrations and showcase their wares so other clubs and residents can experience their unique functions and talents.

Johnson said the fairs are often a key tool in promoting Sun City

to new residents and visitors.

"We have 1,500 people move into Sun City each year, and we certainly hope this gives them the opportunity to go out on a Saturday and visit with clubs they may not otherwise be familiar with," Johnson said, noting that the events are free to all residents and their guests.

Posters and fliers have been up at the centers for the past few months, getting people excited about their spring Saturdays, Johnson said. One of the most popular events in Sun City is the fair season finale — the Apple Dumpling Festival. This year, it will be at Lakeview from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on April 2.

"This is our way of saying goodbye to our winter visitors and thanking them for being with us," Johnson said, adding that permanent residents are also recognized and applauded for their devotion to Sun City.

The first Fun Fair will be hosted by the Sun City Rose and Garden Club that meets at Fairway. Club president Carol Robertson is excited that she and the other 153 members of her club have the honor of overseeing the fair at the recreation center they are so proud of. The theme for the day will be "Coming Up Roses."

"There will be roses everywhere made by the Knitter's Club with tulle and wire," Robertson said. "They're very decorative and colorful in different pastel colors."

There will be a free raffle drawing for prizes donated by the nearly 20 clubs to be represented. There will be festive entertainment in the auditorium where the audience can expect magic shows, dancers, singers and theatrics. Outside, residents can get in on the fun with karaoke, listen to a Dixie-Land band, laugh at the clowns or be awed by the canine drill team.

Regular Fun Fair performers, The Readers Ensemble of Sun City Players Community Theater, will present a western program at 1 p.m. in the auditorium at Fairway's Fun Fair. Two verses by cowboy poet Leonard Bischel of Tempe will be dramatized by P. Atwood Fenner. A comedy show will follow called "The Lion Roars." The show, adapted from an old-time radio script by Bud Swanson, features a meek insurance salesman who is sent West to catch hoss rustlers on a dude ranch.

Local organizations like the Sun City Home Owners Association and Sun Health will be at Fairway to showcase their

## Fun Fair Schedule:

All Fun Fairs will begin at 9 a.m. and end at 3 p.m.

- Feb. 21 — Fairway Recreation Center, 10600 W. Peoria Ave.

- Feb. 28 — Oakmont Recreation Center, 10725 W. Oakmont Ave. (with Mountain View)

- March 6 — Sundial Recreation Center, 14801 N. 103rd Ave.

- March 13 — Bell Recreation Center, 16820 N. 99th Ave.

- March 20 — Lakeview Recreation Center, 10626 W. Thunderbird Blvd.

- March 27 — Marinette Recreation Center, 9860 W. Union Hills Drive

- April 2 — 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Apple Dumpling Festival, Lakeview Recreation Center, 10626 W. Thunderbird Blvd.

services.

"I think it's important to let everybody know how the people in Sun City really do come together," Robertson said. "We all look forward to this."



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# Festival is apple of their eyes

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Cathy Terrell of Sun City pulled her scarf tight around her head Friday morning and marched up the stairs of the Lakeview Recreation Center.

A little wind and a little chill wasn't going to daunt her and her friends; It was too big a party for that.

"You betcha we want the dumplings!" she said. "That's why we're here."

The eighth annual Apple Dumpling Festival got off to a crowded start Friday morning despite the unseasonably chilly weather. Until 1 p.m., Sun Citians enjoyed entertainment, games, Viewpoint Lake boat rides and, of course, food - especially the treats for which the event is named.

Everywhere, people walked around in festival T-shirts with big red apples on them, even though it wasn't really T-shirt weather at first.

"It's a little cool, but it seems like the crowd is enjoying it," said Jim Luck of Sun City.

The festival draws anywhere from 4,000 to 5,000 people each year, said event organizer Pat Bruyn, clubs/activities manager for Recreation centers of Sun City, Inc.

"It really is a big party and we really enjoy having the people come out," she said. "I'm sorry it's windy today and maybe a little cool, but you can see there are a lot of people here."

Pat Williams of Sun City hovered over a large grill filled with browning brats, enveloped in delicious smelling smoke and joking about the abundance of food that day.

"We may run out any minute," he said, laughing.

What could have been a nightmarish parking situation was alleviated by shuttle service from the nearby Lakes Club and Lakeview United Methodist Church.



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George Trieste of Oak Ridge, Tenn., partakes of an apple dumpling at the Apple Dumpling Festival at Lakeview Recreation Center Friday.



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# Come and get it!

## Apple Dumpling Festival heralds end of winter season

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Steve Shaffer, a caterer with the Recreation Centers of Sun City, is in the midst of chaos.

It's not really a big deal, however. At this time of year, with thousands of dumplings and plates of sausage and peppers to prepare, everyone knows to stay out of the kitchen. Unless you want to be put to work.

Shaffer's work is preparing for the Apple Dumpling Festival, a grand soiree bidding goodbye to Sun City's winter residents.

The festival, slated from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday at Lakeview Recreation Center, 10626 Thunderbird Blvd., caps the city's Fun Fairs and brings in entertainment ranging from the Sun City Poms to Leroy's Karaoke.

Two entertainment venues will be arranged around the circular center, one featuring a women's chorus, line dancing, the Poms, the Desert Aires barbershop chorus, the Banjo Band, the Rhythm Ramblers, the Aqua Suns, the Sun Liners, the Tip Top Dancers and the Sun Country Western Dance Club.

Another stage will host a bagpipe-

squad, the Fun Makers pantomime group, organist Don Keko, one-man band Ken Walker, accordionist Han Schacke, the Harmonicaes and Leroy's Karaoke extravaganza.

Those who've made the festival in the past, however, likely will say it's the food that makes the day. It is, after all, called the Apple Dumpling Festival.

Three thousand of the delectable dumplings will be ready, along with trays of sausage and peppers, brat-wurst, chicken and hot dogs, said Shaffer.

Food Services Manager Frank Vara confirmed that while the kitchens are indeed busy, it's nothing the staff can't handle.

"This is our fifth year doing it," Vara said. "We've got it down to a science."

Raffle drawings will be held every half hour, with prizes donated by local clubs, according to the recreation centers' Pat Bruyn.

Grand prize for the raffle is a free centers membership, worth \$115.

Also slated is a bake sale sponsored by several groups, including Lakeview Handicrafts, Lakeview Sew 'N Sew, Oakmont Gourmet Club, Sundial Crafts and Oakmont Needle Arts and Crafts.

The event is free, sponsored by the recreation centers and open to the public.

In this file photo from last year, Mary Blake scoops ice cream and tops the apple dumplings that give the festival its name. This year's Apple Dumpling Festival will be Friday at Lakeview Recreation Center.

# Y'all Come to the Fun Fairs

The second series of Fun Fairs in Sun City will start at Oakmont Center, Saturday, Oct. 3, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

This month of fairs will stage a fair at a different center on each of five Saturdays in October: Oakmont Oct. 3, Bell Oct. 10, Sundial Oct. 17, Lakeview Oct. 24, Fairway Oct. 31.

Oakmont Center has the distinction of being the first recreation unit established in Sun City. It is located on Oakmont Street between 107th and 108th avenues directly behind Grand Avenue Shopping Center.

Oakmont Fun Fair will continue from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served during that time, and three beautiful door prizes donated by the participating clubs will be given out every half-hour.

Entertainment will start at 9:30 a.m. with accomplished Sun City pianist Herbert Rudolph performing. The Sun City Polka Band will entertain with its lively music at 10:30 a.m., and at 1:30 the Sun City Banjo Band will enthuse our visitors with their selections.

Mosaics, ceramics, lapidary, and silvercraft demonstrations will be given in their designated craft rooms.

A beautiful display of ceramics will be in the "S" room, and caning will be demonstrated in the auditorium.

The following Oakmont clubs will have displays and exhibitions in the auditorium: Needle Arts and Crafts, Mosaics and Crafts, Lapidary & Silvercraft, Men's Club; Recording for the Blind, S.C. Vol; Sun City Stars,

S.C. Federated Womens Club, Oakmont Lawn Bowls Club, Oakmont Shuffleboard Club, Oakmont Koffee Klatsch, S.C. Democratic Club, Oakmont Ceramic Club, Empire State Social Club, Wednesday Afternoon Bridge, Sun Grams Chap. 723 Social.

S.C. Prides and S.C. Posse will have a table for exhibitions and distribution of literature.

The board of directors will also have a table in the auditorium and representation for information.

The Oakmont gift shop will be open, and a beautiful display of ceramics, mosaics, needle arts, silvercraft, and lapidary made at Oakmont Center will be shown.

KWAO will be broadcasting the Fun Fair Sept. 28-Oct. 3.

## At Sundial

Saturday, Oct. 17, is the day when the entire Sundial Center will be bustling with a complete range of activities available at that Center.

Paintings will be on display in the courtyard. Various crafts will be shown and demonstrations given in the auditorium as well as in the craft rooms.

Continuous entertainment will take place in the auditorium. This will consist of organ concerts, slimnastics, round and square dancing, ballroom dance exhibitions and instructions.

The visitor may also receive instructions and tips in lawn bowling, shuffleboard and pool.

Sun City Recreation members who do

not use the facilities of the various centers should be interested in the displays and be tempted into future participation.

## At Lakeview

Don't forget this date, Oct. 24, it says here. That's when Lakeview Center will hold its Fun Fair, with a happy atmosphere for all.

There will be a fabulous fashion show, poolside, with some of the latest styles modeled by some very attractive ladies. Also, flycasting on the dock at the lake, and demonstrations and displays in the club rooms and social hall.

These will include chess games, wood-working, lapidary, handcrafts, sewing, art, ceramics, clay and sportsmen equipment—plus—a bake sale!

The day will also feature music at intervals and much more entertainment with a raffle in the social hall at 3 p.m.

Cookies and coffee in the club rooms. A Real Fun Day!!!

## At Fairway

Come one, come all to see displays and demonstrations of arts, crafts, and hobbies, at Fairway, 107th Ave. at Peoria Ave., Oct. 31.

Sun Citians are invited to visit and share in the fair. Sign up for FREE drawing each half-hour. Gifts are hand crafted by Fairway clubs.

Well, that's all. Come to the fair, five of them. Our clubs and their activities will get you, for sure. Y'all come!