

Sun City West Spanish Club Graduation

Twenty-one students proudly graduated March 28 from Beginning Spanish classes at Beardsley Rec. Center. In a unique classroom learning design, a team of 7 volunteers from advanced Spanish classes taught, tutored, and encouraged the beginning group through the first level of a 6-level learning curriculum of Spanish language. The numerous volunteers allowed for small-group learning, a method which students applauded as a much appreciated individualized approach to learning which allowed them to practice speaking and ask questions in a supportive non-threatening environment.



**Tutors**: Back: Christine Dendy; MaryAnn Jasken, team leader; Katie Switaj; Brian McFarland. Front: Sharon Bradley; Brenda Kruse; Karen Brown

Graduation was celebrated in typical Spanish fashion with a fiesta and a tableful of "tapas" and beverages at the home of Pat and Sandy Mahoney.

Congratulations to the graduates for their hard work, perseverance, and success.

In an effort to use technology for member retention, classes were taped and sent out to absentee students, allowing them to keep pace with the class when unable to attend. Weekly assignment were distributed on-line as well. With this technology, retention greatly surpassed that of previous years. Again, volunteer tutors made this possible.



Spanish Club Website: https://spanish.scwclubs.com/