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## Have a Very Merry Christmas!

### DVCC BRIEFS

Arts and Crafts Show  
Saturday, December 1, 2012  
Farnsworth Hall  
9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Dreamland Has Talent  
Thursday, December 6, 2012  
Farnsworth Hall  
4:00 PM

Spotlight Singers  
Friday, December 7, 2012  
Farnsworth Hall  
7:00 – 8:30 PM

Needham Twins – Dance  
Saturday, December 8, 2012  
Farnsworth Hall  
7:00 – 10:00 PM

Voices of Peace Choir  
Monday, December 10, 2012  
Farnsworth Hall  
7:00 PM

Silvridge Pops Orchestra  
Thursday, December 13, 2012  
Farnsworth Hall  
7:00 – 9:00 PM

Jam Session  
Friday, December 14, 2012  
Farnsworth Hall  
1:00 – 3:00 PM

Marty Berk's Musical Variety  
Monday, December 17, 2012  
Farnsworth Hall  
7:00 PM

DVCC Potluck  
Thursday, December 20, 2012  
Farnsworth Hall  
6:00 PM

New Year's Eve Party  
Monday, December 31, 2012  
Farnsworth Hall  
7:00 PM - ???

Coffee Social  
Saturday, December 8, 2012  
Saturday, December 22, 2012  
Read Hall  
7:30 AM

Free Blood Pressure Checks  
Monday Mornings  
HELP Services Office  
8:00 AM – 12:00 Noon

### DVCC Board Issues Statement

by Jerald "Red" Westall

The Dreamland Villa Board of Directors is pleased to announce that a settlement has been reached dealing with two HOA lawsuits that the Board has been dealing with for a number of years. It would be impossible for any one Board member to be able to correctly explain all of the details from memory. The Arizona court legal documentation of the various hearings and decisions are open knowledge and available to anyone wishing to more fully understand what has taken place.

As in the past, DVCC is again a non-profit voluntary association. We continue to maintain the Senior Citizen

Overlay which declares us a 55+ community along with providing our community amenities. Membership dues provide continued upkeep of facilities and give resident homeowners increased real estate values. Thank you for your continued support!

Those persons who are (or have been) members of the DVCC Board are unpaid volunteers who care about their community. The responsibilities required of these persons are not always easy ones. We ask you to support us as we are ready to put this situation behind us and move ahead as we continue to make Dreamland Villa a place that retirement dreams come true!

### Celebrate New Year's Eve at Farnsworth Hall

by Patty Thorpe

Ring in the New Year with your friends at Farnsworth Hall on Monday, December 31, 2012, from 7:00 PM till ??? Be entertained and dance to T&B Productions with the ball drop at 10:00

PM (It is 12:00 AM somewhere in the world). Small snacks will be provided and water and soda will be available for purchase. Please feel free to bring your own snacks and beverages and share with friends and family at your own

personal table. Several great prizes will be yours if you have the lucky number.

Tickets will be sold at the office or at the door at a price of \$10.00 per person. **DON'T MISS THE NEW YEAR CELEBRATION.**

### JOY MORTENSEN Receives Recognition for Years of Service

by Jim Cook

Joy Mortensen was honored at the HELP Services' volunteer luncheon held on Wednesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> with a Certificate of Appreciation. The certificate recognized the more than sixteen dedicated and faithful years of leadership she gave as the organization's president and the many volunteer hours she has contributed towards the advancement of HELP Services. In addition, Joy received a gift card for Wal-Mart and a gift certificate for Sourdough Pizza from the members of the Board of Directors.

Joy first joined the HELP Services Board in 1993. She became the organization's first vice president in 1994 and was elected president in 1996. With the exception of one year, Joy served as HELP Services president until earlier this year. Until his passing a few years ago, Joy's husband, Wendell, was also actively involved in HELP Services. Joy continues to serve on the Board and is active in many of the day-to-day activities.

### Updates for DVCC Telephone Directory Must Be Submitted by December 14

by Barbara Miller

Any changes that you would like to make in the 2013 Dreamland Villa Telephone Directory must be submitted to the Dreamland Office no later than Friday, December 14. Residents requiring changes will find a form on page 23 in the present telephone directory under Notice to All Residents. Please fill out the form and return it to the office. All residents should check their telephone number and information to make sure it is correct in the 2012 telephone directory.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.



### Please Place Trash Cans in the Street

by Barbara Miller and Photo by Jim Cole

Welcome back, winter residents. The DVCC Board passed a ruling, asking residents to place trash cans in the street right next to the curb. (Adobe would be the exception.) This is considered to be a safety issue for the residents who walk during the mornings. Many of our people use canes, walkers, and some wheelchairs. When the trash truck returns the cans, most of the time they place them right in the middle of the sidewalk, making it very difficult for walkers to get around them. We appreciate your effort in eliminating this problem.



### Sunshine Acres Hay Drive to Take Place This Month

by Jackie Young

Sunshine Acres Children's Home has a program called Two Hearts Horsemanship Program and they are in need of Bermuda hay. The Hay Drive, which lasts thru December, saves the Two Hearts Program thousands of dollars each year. Superstition Feed is making it easy for you to donate this Christmas season by delivering free of charge Bermuda hay purchased at their store to Sunshine Acres. All you have to do to donate is call Superstition Feed at 480-982-9250, use code: SUNSHINE 1234 for your hay donation. The cost for one bale of hay is \$17.99.

The children and Dreamland Villa thank you for your generous donation.



Barbara Miller: Editor

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- Editor

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by Jerald "Red" Westall



President's Message

I would like to wish each of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! It seems the older we get, time just flies by.

One day when I was on 65th Place, a gentleman was going to replace some shingles on his roof due to the storms. Two area neighbors stopped and informed him they would get on the roof and do the work, and informed him to stay on the ground and hand them the shingles when they needed them. To me this

was wonderful! Neighbor helping neighbor, and paying it forward. Each of us needs to do more of this in Dreamland. Neighbor helping neighbor! Go to this street and take a look. I love it - at least five flags posted every day. WOW!

Dreamland is NOT In bankruptcy. Our lawsuits are over, and it is time for a new beginning. I will never understand why a person would buy a house in a 55+ community and not want to be active in that community.

Getting my street swept is worth \$10 a month. Our "Board" needs your support. We have so many activities going on in December. Read your Citizen and check your calendar of events. Your Dreamland Board is made up of all volunteers. Thank them. Step forward with new ideas; we certainly have a younger generation buying homes here. Do your part to make this an even better place to live! Our area is the best-kept secret in the East Valley.

From the Editor

by Barbara Miller

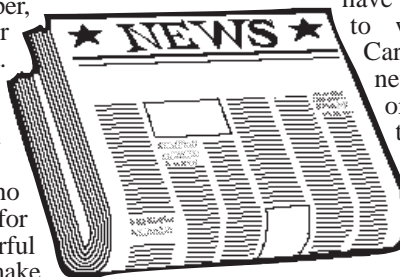
It is that wonderful time of the year when I have the pleasure of extending kudos to those people who make this paper possible. I fear newspapers might be on their way to extinction, but not for a while, I hope. Our paper, the Citizen, and our website, dreamlandvilla.org are our only sources of getting information to the residents of the Villa.

The residents who serve as the reporters for the Citizen are a wonderful group of people and make every effort to have the information correct and timely for you. Without them there would be no Citizen. Thank you, people, for always being there and doing such an outstanding job.

Bea Westall, an angel in disguise, and all of her helpers, make sure that this publication gets to you during the

winter months for that home delivery. Thank you so much for all that you do. You are appreciated.

Next in line is the publisher, Carl Miller (absolutely no relation), who is an outstanding person with whom I



have had the opportunity to work, is fabulous. Carl is so laid back and never gets flustered or stressed. Carl, thanks for being so understanding when I call and say, "I need to get this in the paper (even though all

of the rest of the paper has already been turned in to him). It is really important." His reply is always, "No problem." You're great.

The fourth group is our super DVCC office people, Jackie Young and Charles Dubbs. They work so hard and are always there for me. I really

appreciate the last minute incidences that come up and you always help solve the problems.

I owe a debt of gratitude to President Red Westall and the rest of the Dreamland Board of Directors for giving me the opportunity to serve as the editor of this publication. I have had the pleasure of working with five presidents as well as many different Board members. I know that many people in this community appreciate the efforts of all of these volunteers. Some of you have sat in those Board seats through many meetings. And even though the Board didn't always agree, they worked through their problems. Again, thank you for allowing me to edit the paper.

Really, I can't forget the residents who support us so much. Dreamland is a wonderful place to live, so we have to work hard to keep it that way. Thank you for your support and efforts.

Have a wonderful holiday and keep the peace!



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# News From the Librarian's Desk

by Margie Gilbert

Season's Greetings go to all of you from the staff at Dreamland Villa Library. Like all of you, we are gearing up toward Christmas. Be sure and check out our seasonal selections in the front of the library. You will find all your Christmas favorites from Debbie Macomber as well as any other titles we found with references to Christmas. You will also find some videos in the Christmas section.

Winter hours are now in effect at the library. We are open Mondays from 10:00 AM until noon, Wednesdays from 10:00 AM until noon and from 1:00 PM until 3:00 PM and Fridays from 10:00 AM until noon. We are also open from 10:00 AM until noon the first and third Saturday of each month.

For those of you who are wondering about our annual book sale, wonder no longer. It will be held Saturday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> at Farnsworth Hall. If you want to buy books before then, please stop by the library. Due to many generous donations, we have a library full of books and many in our front room for sale. Come by and see what we have. There are lots of mystery, fiction, romance and some westerns for sale. There are also puzzles, magazines, videos and a few audio books for sale as well. At \$0.25 for a paperback or \$1.00 for a hardback, that is a good deal. Those expensive magazines are also just a quarter, so look around and make use of our facility.

If you are looking for a particular book not on our shelves, there is a book request sheet just inside the front door near the sign in sheet. We do keep track of new offerings from your favorite authors, and purchase them as we can, but if we miss one, let us know. We can also check our computer listing to see if we have a book you want to read and help you find it. Also, please remember to sign in when you visit us. We report numbers every month, and it is helpful to have an accurate account of how many people use our facility.

Recent purchases include: *The Tombs* by Clive Cussler, *A Wanted Man* by Lee Child, *Delusions in Death* by JD Robb, *Killing Kennedy* by Bill O'Reilly, *Timekeeper* by Mitch Albom, *Wicked Business* by Janet Evanovich, *Zoo* by James Patterson, and *Winter of the World* by Ken Follett. Make some popcorn or tea and curl up in your favorite chair beside your Christmas tree and enjoy!

## Citizen Book Review

by Margie Gilbert

### *The Miracle at Speedy Motors*

by Alexander McCall Smith

If you are not familiar with Alexander McCall Smith's series about the No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency, it might be nice to give yourself an early Christmas gift and ready this delightful novel.

Mma Ramotswa is a traditionally built Botswana native lady and the proprietor of The No. 1 Ladies Detective Agency. Mma Ramotswa is married to Mr. J.L.B. Matekoni, the proprietor of Tlokeng Road Speedy Motors who employs two apprentice mechanics. Mma Makutsi is Mma Ramotswa's assistant in all things. Mma Makutsi is known for her record 97 percent score at the Botswana Secretarial College, her poor complexion and her large round eyeglasses.

Mma Ramotswa and Mr. J.L.B. Matekoni are the foster parents of Motholeli and her younger brother Puso. Motholeli is paralyzed from the waist down and depends on a wheel chair to get around. Mr. J.L.B. Matekoni has learned of a clinic in Johannesburg and, without consulting his wife, makes arrangements to take Motholeli across the border for treatment. Neither does he tell her that he has mortgaged his business to pay for the treatments. And, he leaves the business in the care of his impetuous young apprentice, Charlie, while he is gone for a week.

Mma Ramotswa's latest case involves Mma Sebina's request to find her a family. She believes she was adopted and wants to find her "real" family. During Mma Ramotswa's quest to track down possible relatives for Mma Sebina she ends up at the Orphan Farm where Motholeli and Puso spent their early years. Matron of the orphanage, Mma Potokwane, offers her usual tea and fruitcake snack and requests Mr. J.L.B. Matekoni's assistance with a mechanical problem. After that business is taken care of, she tells Mma Ramotswa the circumstances of Mma Sebina's family, and gives her the name of a brother, Mr. Sekape. Their mother, however, died in prison which is very sad.

Mma Ramotswa becomes very excited about this good news, but when she gets Mr. Sekape and Mma Sebina together, they seem to have little to say to one another. Soon, however, she hears that they are enjoying each other and meeting frequently. And then Mma Potokwane calls and admits she made a mistake. Mma Sebina's brother died when they were young, and Mr. Sekape is not her brother. Of course, Mma Ramotswa is dismayed and hates to break the news but knows she must. When she does tell Mma Sabin that her brother is not really her brother, she is happy when she hears that Mma Sabina feels toward him like she would toward a friend who might become a husband.

While all this is going on, Mma Makutsi is having troubles with her fiancé, Phuti, proprietor of The Double Comfort Furniture Company. Mr. J.L.B. Matekoni returns from Johannesburg with Motholeli physically unchanged and himself depressed over his secret debt. Mma Makutsi had opened a letter from the bank and Mma Ramotswa had already sold some of her precious cattle to settle the debt for him.

In the end, all the issues, business, personal and public are solved to a fine end. The sun shines, the rain falls, the cattle grow fat and reproduce, and family is family. Alexander McCall Smith's stories are good for a smile, and a chuckle.

# Easy Cooking

by Chyrl Stikna

This County Fair Blue Ribbon Cake recipe is a wonderful addition to any holiday meal.

## Pumpkin Pound Cake

- 3 cups Flour
- 1 1/2 tsp Salt
- 1 1/2 tsp Baking Soda
- 2 tsps Baking Powder
- 1 tsp Nutmeg
- 1 tsp Allspice
- 2 tsps Cinnamon
- Measure together and set aside.
- 5 cups Sugar
- 1 cup Butter, Margarine or Crisco
- 3 eggs

Combine in a bowl and mix with 2 cups pumpkin

Add to sugar mixture and mix well. Add dry ingredients and beat two minutes.

Pour into coated tube pan. Bake at 375 degrees for 45 minutes. Reduce heat to 325 degrees and bake for 45 minutes longer. Let stand for 5 minutes on wire rack, then invert pan and remove cake. Cool on wire rack. Serve warm or cold. Yum! Very good.



# In and Around the Villa

by Mary Anne Glauner

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR to all the wonderful people who live in Dreamland Villa. It doesn't seem possible that it is almost Christmas and that 2012 is over. Where did the time go? It is really true that the older we get the faster the time goes; if only we could slow it down just a little! It is important that we enjoy each and every day, for no one knows what tomorrow may bring.

A BIG CONGRATULATIONS to Ceramic Chaos, who designed and completed 205 bowls for the homeless of Mesa. You are a shining example of what Dreamland Villa means to this community at the Bowls for the Homeless at Mesa Community College. In October the bowls were sold or raffled at \$10.00 a bowl, which would have brought in \$20,500.00 to the food bank of Mesa. Thank you for the example you set for the rest of us.

John's Villa has resumed their fish fry meals every Wednesday and Friday. Stop in for a great meal, or if you don't enjoy fish, on Mondays they have Beef Dip Sandwiches. Check out their other specials for the rest of the week. You won't be disappointed.

The former Taylor Rays on Main Street is now Christine's. Check out her menu, I think you will be pleasantly surprised. If the local restaurants are not supported they will not be able to stay in business.

Have you seen the new Bogey's Steak and Seafood Restaurant located at 7555 E. Eagle Court Drive in Las Sendas on Power Road? It appears that Las Sendas is the address for quite a few new restaurants.

If BBQ is your favorite, don't forget Waldo's BBQ, at 4500 E. Main Street, they are famous for their sauce and smoked pork. The décor is quite amusing, be sure to check out all the signs. My favorite is they serve you drinks in ball mason jars. You know the kind our mothers used for canning?

If you notice something different about you water, it is cloudy because they are switching from surface water to well water until early next year. Even though it is cloudy it is perfectly SAFE TO DRINK.

The grapefruit are almost ready to eat. We had our first grapefruit off our citrus tree last month. It is so great to go out in the morning and be able to pick a fruit off your tree and have it for breakfast. What a treat! Soon we will be able to pick our oranges too, can't wait!

I remember tearing across town on my bike to visit my Grandma on the day my big sister dropped the bomb: "There is no Santa Claus," she jeered. "Even dummies know that!" My Grandma was not the gushy kind, never had been. I fled to her that day because I knew she would be straight with me. I knew Grandma always told the truth, and I knew that the truth always went down a whole lot easier when swallowed with one of her "world-famous" cinnamon buns. I knew they were world-famous because Grandma said so. It had to be true.

Grandma was home, and the buns were still warm. Between bites, I told her everything. She was ready for me. "No Santa Claus?" She snorted... "Ridiculous! Don't believe it. That rumor has been going around for years, and it makes me mad, plain mad!! Now, put on your coat, and let's go."

"Go? Go where, Grandma?" I asked. I hadn't even finished my second world-famous cinnamon bun. "Where" turned out to be Kerbys General Store, the one store in town that had a little bit of just about everything. As we walked through its doors, Grandma handed me ten dollars. That was a bundle in those days. "Take this money," she said, "and buy something for someone who needs it. I'll wait for you in the car." Then she turned and walked out of Kerby's.

I was only eight years old. I'd often gone shopping with my mother, but never had I shopped for anything all by myself. The store seemed big and crowded, full of people scrambling to finish their Christmas shopping.

For a few moments I just stood there, confused, clutching that ten-dollar bill, wondering what to buy, and who on earth to buy it for. I thought of everybody I knew: my family, my

friends, my neighbors, the kids at school, and the people who went to my church.

I was just about thought out, when I suddenly thought of Bobby Decker. He was a kid with bad breath and messy hair, and he sat right behind me in Mrs. Pollock's grade-two class. Bobby Decker didn't have a coat. I knew that because he never went out to recess during the winter. His mother always wrote a note, telling the teacher that he had a cough, but all of us kids knew that Bobby Decker didn't have a cough; he didn't have a good coat. I fingered the ten-dollar bill with growing excitement. I would buy Bobby Decker a coat!

I settled on a red corduroy one that had a hood to it. It looked real warm, and he would like that. "Is this a Christmas present for someone?" the lady behind the counter asked kindly as I laid my ten dollars down. "Yes, ma'am," I replied shyly. "It's for Bobby."

The nice lady smiled at me, as I told her about how Bobby really needed a good winter coat. I didn't get any change, but she put the coat in a big bag, smiled again, and wished me a Merry Christmas.

That evening Grandma helped me wrap the coat (a little tag fell out of the coat and Grandma tucked it in her Bible) in Christmas paper and ribbons and wrote, "To Bobby, from Santa Claus" on it.

Grandma said that Santa always insisted on secrecy. Then she drove me over to Bobby Decker's house, explaining as we went that I was now and forever officially one of Santa's helpers. Grandma parked down the street from Bobby's house, and she and I crept noiselessly and hid in the bushes by his front walk. Then Grandma gave me a nudge. "All right, Santa Claus," she whispered, "get going."

I took a deep breath, dashed for his front door, threw the present down on his step, pounded his door and flew back to the safety of the bushes and Grandma.

Together we waited breathlessly in the darkness for the front door to open. Finally it did, and there stood Bobby.

Fifty years haven't dimmed the thrill of those moments spent shivering beside my Grandma in Bobby Decker's bushes. That night, I realized that those awful rumors about Santa Claus were just what Grandma said they were—ridiculous. Santa was alive and well, and we were on his team. I still have the Bible, with the coat tag tucked inside: \$19.95.

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## From My View



by Charles Dubbs

December begins a month of heightened activity within the community and also within our individual lives. You perhaps are making plans for Christmas and the activity which is generated.

In the community our activities are in full swing, indoor and

outdoor. Entertainment events are abundant along with other activities to socialize, the coffee social and potluck.

This begins a busy time in the office as we begin our annual dues collection. If you have not received a dues notice form by December 15<sup>th</sup>, you may call the office and request one. Often the mail is between one address or another for our winter residents. New kee cards will be mailed out after January 5<sup>th</sup>. Old cards should be used until February 1<sup>st</sup>.

Good news for those of who enjoy fish. **John's Villa** has

added the popular **fish fry** to the Wednesday menu. This is the best fish fry around as well as a good time to meet and greet other residents.

We received notice that another check has been delivered to Sunshine Acres in the name of Dreamland Villa. Thank you to each of you who are bringing old clothes and other textiles to help Sunshine Acres. Remember the Textile Recycle Bin which is located near the library on the back parking lot.

## Food Collection Boxes Are Available for Donations

by Charles Dubbs

Christmas is also a time that we remember others who perhaps are less fortunate. You will find **Food Collection Boxes** located at Farnsworth and Read Halls. We can fill the boxes if we remember when attending an event to bring a can of food. Some may wish to drop a bag of food for others. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated by others, and the blessing will be yours. The boxes will be picked up December 17<sup>th</sup>.



## From the Quill of Penelope Pinfeather

It is nice to see so many of our residents back for this season. I felt so alone this summer because it seemed like I was the only one here. I can't tell you how many times I went for a swim and had the pools all to myself! Now all of the activities are starting, and I don't know where to start. There are just so many fun things that I could do. One thing is certain I have to get my ticket for the Talent Show. Only \$5.00 to see a great show. What a deal! You can get your tickets either at the office or at the door the day of the show. I hope to see you there. I'm sure that T&G Productions would be tickled pink if we packed Farnsworth Hall to capacity, so get your tickets and mark the calendar for December 6<sup>th</sup>.

The next big show is the High Tea and Fashion Show. My sources tell me that they still need volunteers to model, dressers to help the models with zippers and changing outfits as well as servers to help with the tea and food. Dazzle Productions is hard at work to make this the event of our season. A show you won't want to miss at only \$10.00 a ticket.

See you there!

## HELP Services, Inc.

by Betty Mosier

We are finally into those cooler days that we have been waiting on. I still don't see many people out, either working in their yards or sitting on their porches relaxing, or even walking, but we'll all get there before long. Opening our doors and windows to let in that fresh air is really a delight.

I need to make a correction in something that I wrote last month ---- I said that there was a charge for having hospital beds and some baby beds delivered. We do not charge for anything, but you do have to call in and set up time for delivery.

I see that houses in here are selling, so we probably have some new people here that may not know about us and how we might serve them in the future. So, here is a list of some of the things that we have in our warehouse to loan out to people in Dreamland Villa and Velda Rose Estates: hospital beds (not electric, but nice) walkers of all kinds, some with seats and hand brakes, crutches, knee walkers, for after ankle or foot surgeries, wheel chairs of all sizes, and the glider chairs that you can use to push someone around, like going to the zoo, or the big swap meet and places that they might not be able to go to otherwise. We also have things for babies when they visit grandparents like baby beds, high chairs, potty chairs, car seats, booster seats, play pens and strollers, and so much more; so come in and have a look around in the warehouse to see if there is something that you need.

We had memorials last month for Ann Pached, Virginia Kiplinger, and Louis Fodroczi. When someone dies and friends or families donate money to the memorial fund, their names are put into a memorial book that is on display in the office at all times.

I have been sharing quotes from my personal books of quotes that I have saved throughout the years, and here is one that I like: "Good character is more to be praised than outstanding talent. Most talents are, to some extent, a gift. Good character, by contrast, is not given to us. We have to build it, piece by piece-----by thought, choice, courage, and determination." by H. Jackson Browne

Another is "It takes a great man to make a good listener." by Arthur Helps  
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## ARIZONA DAY TRIPS “Special Foods and Fun to Boot”

by Alicia Short and photos by Glynn Short

Are you into some interesting and really good food? There are three attractions not that far apart from each other that are fun and a place to get some different, gourmet foods. How do special olive oils, farm grown vegetables and fruit and homemade sausages sound?

The first of these three places is the Queen Creek Olive Mill located at 25062 S. Meridian Road. in Queen Creek. However, it is just around the corner from Combs Road. There are daily tours featuring there olive oil tasting, processing and more. On site is also an expanded gourmet marketplace where you will find a selection of olive oils, vinegars, stuffed olives and tapenades jams, jelly, mustards wines as well as a line of bath and body products. The Superstition Coffee's on-site roaster and espresso bar offers high quality coffee. Nightlife is fun, too. On Friday and Saturday evenings they have special Arizona-style artisan pizzas (4:00 – 10:00 PM) and a happy hour from 4:00 - 7.00 PM. Each weekend there is a Harvest Festival event going on through December 16. For more info you can go to [www.queencreekolivemill.com](http://www.queencreekolivemill.com); phone is 480-888-9290.



Glynn and I went out on October 21st to the Festival and found a delightful setting of picnic grounds, a few artist vendors and entertainment on the grounds. But best of all was the store and as mentioned above, it was hard to choose just what to purchase. We will go back.

The second place nearby (just 3 miles east of the Olive Mill) is the Pork Shop, located at 3359 E. Combs Road, Queen Creek. They are closed on Monday and Tuesday but, open Wednesday – Saturday 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM and on Sunday – 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Phone number is 480-987-0101.

They have their own hickory smoked, brown sugar cured hams and bacons as well as a large selection of smoked sausages, lunchmeats, old-fashioned hot dogs, capicola, and snack sausages. The Pork Shop is famous for bratwurst, sweet and hot Italians, and Polish sausages along with a great selection of breakfast sausage links, patties, and bulk sausages. Recently they added a line of fresh gourmet sausages that include maple syrup, green chili, potato, beer

brats, apple cinnamon, andouille, and jalapeno. They also have a special line of cheese sausages: Parmesan Italian, provolone, and cheddar brats. There's more too. For more information go to [www.theporkshopaz.com](http://www.theporkshopaz.com) We did some shopping there, too.

Last but not least is Schnepf Farms located at 24810 S. Rittenhouse Road in Queen Creek. Located in their original roadside stand guests will enjoy a little slice of “country” as they visit the market that is stocked full of country gifts, preserves and bottled products. While browsing the Country Store, you won't miss the aroma of fresh baked cinnamon rolls, muffins, cookies and pie in the Bakery. They also have an organic u-pick garden and orchards. You pay \$1.50 a lb for the vegetables and fruit. You would need to check to see what is in season prior to

driving out. Farm tours are also available. December's events include: Ice skating, train rides, hay rides to deer, bon fires and bakery.

In December special events can be found on their website: [www.schnepffarm.com](http://www.schnepffarm.com) . Phone: 480-283-3612.

Are you hungry yet? Here are some directions: Schnepf Farms: Take I -60 freeway to Ellsworth Road exit. Turn south on Ellsworth and drive to Rittenhouse . (the road takes a few turns to get to Rittenhouse) Left on Rittenhouse and follow around 3 miles to farm entrance on right (*Rittenhouse will be very busy during rush hour*) Olive Mill: Continue on Rittenhouse and turn left on Combs Road, travel approximately 500 ft. Turn left (north) onto Meridian Road and the Mill entrance will be on your left. Pork Shop: Continue south on Rittenhouse and turn left onto Combs/Riggs Road. Continue on Combs east - a little over three miles.



### DVCC Study Session Minutes

November 6, 2012

The Study Session was called to order by President Westall. Board members present were: Wendell Black, Judy Ford, Aggie Forsyth, Steve Holleque, Frances Skaggs, Gordon Watson, Red Westall, Lyle Wood (8 members, quorum present.) Absent: James Cook (ill), Dodie Gruner, Patty Thorpe, and Larry Wilkens. Others present were: Joan Cook, Charles Dubbs and Larry Welch.

Old Business:

The bikes in pool area were discussed. Wendell Black

requested it remain on the agenda as he would like to address the issue at the Board meeting.

Charles Dubbs gave brief review relating to the lighting retrofit and pool gates.

A number of items were not taken up, as they had been reviewed during the October study session and Jim Cook was absent due to illness.

Red Westall reported he had not been able to obtain a Board secretary.

Charles suggested that we purchase KNOX BOX for both

Farnsworth and Read complexes. Discussion followed. Item will remain on agenda.

Red Westall reported that Donna Zurbay was working on obtaining volunteers for various functions.

He will be reporting those persons who have volunteered for appointment to the Nominating Committee at the Board meeting.

Heating of the Lap Pool was also discussed and was to remain on the agenda for the Board meeting.

Recorder: Charles Dubbs

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## SPORTS

## Dreamland Villa Men's Golf League

by Ray Zabel

We are now playing golf on Mondays and Wednesdays at Dreamland Golf Course.

On Fridays we have a POT Game at 8:00 AM. Anyone interested should show up about 7:30 AM.

At this reading we had our dinner meeting Thursday, October 25 at 5:00 PM at Read Hall. This was the club's first banquet of our winter season of which we normally have three. However, we voted to have only two. The next one will be March 28 again at Read Hall at 5:00 PM. At this meeting we drew for starting times for those present. If you weren't at the meeting, you still can have a starting time for you. If you are interested, please call those listed below. There are advantages to being a club member since you get a preset starting time, starting at approximately 11:00 AM on Monday and Wednesday.

We started the meeting with the flag salute, sang God Bless America and Dale Tatman gave the prayer. Our meal consisted of mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, roast beef, turkey, rolls,

cranberry sauce and apple Betty dessert. What a great meal.

The new members were as follows: Carl & Norm Scoville, Daryl Willert, Bill Yeager, Scott Wood and Bill Acosta.

We had 50/50 drawing with Steve Holleque the winner.

We then had a number of drawings with Jim Lawer, Bob Perry, Drago Zlojutro, Ray Zabel and Bill Bjorklund winning.

The election of officers resulted with Larry Waterstradt President, Al Gerholdt Vice President and Dale Tatman Sec/Treasurer.

We had our last scramble October 15 with Dale Tatman, Ray Zabel, Marty Bodor, Larry Waterstradt and Freddie Vincent the winners.

The Polish Club Championship Milo and Stosh are standing on the 18<sup>th</sup> tee at their Polish Country Club

They are the final twosome in the Polish Country Club Championship and are tied for the lead. The 18<sup>th</sup> hole is a beautiful par four with a deep valley descending down to a dogleg right.

Both Milo and Stosh hit long, straight tee shots which disappear down the valley. A short time later, the forecaddie appears at the

top of the hill and announces that both balls are within a foot of each other, but there's a problem. Both of the balls are Titleist #4s.

Milo and Stosh look at each other and realize that they had not informed each other as to what kind of ball they were playing, nor its number.

They quickly descend into the valley and, sure enough, their two Titleist golf balls are right next to each at the bottom of the valley in the middle of the fairway.

Stosh looks at Milo and says, "We had better get a ruling from a tournament official to straighten this out." "This is the Polish Country Club Championship and we don't want to be disqualified for making a mistake and hitting the wrong ball." "After all, we are tied for the lead."

Soon after, a rules official appears and examines the two #4 Titleist golf balls. He then looks up at Milo and Stosh and says, "Which one of you is playing the orange ball?"

If you have any questions, please call Larry Waterstradt (480-894-1645) president, Dale Tatman (480-981-1645) treasurer.

## Shuffleboard

by Bruce Van Vleet



Do you want to have great time? If you do, come to the shuffleboard courts on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 9:30 AM. Shuffleboard is a fun game and everything is furnished, so come on down and join us. The

courts are west of Read Hall and north of the pickleball courts.

It is hoped that everyone had a nice Thanksgiving. Christmas will be here before we know it, and we wish you the very best.

## Dreamland Tuesday Bowling League

by Ray Zabel

The bowling season and the first bowling day started at 12:00 noon on a beautiful sunny day with a laughing happy, smiling group all ready to go. The bowling alley had replaced the carpet and tile making the place look great. Now with all this effervescent talk if only we could bowl fantastically, that would be marvelous.

We have 22 teams of 4 and hopefully they all come in first - HA HA. We have two nine week halves, a playoff and on the last day the twenties week we have a kind of POT game. On the twenty-first week we have a banquet at Golden Corral where we give out all the prize money and have drawings.

We will need substitutes and we also need permanent team members. Don't hesitate to call Jan.

Some splits that were picked up:

Carol Taylor 1-2-7-10, 2-7, 3-10; Bob Grande 3-6-7-10; Jack Cregar 3-10; Norm Barney 3-10; Ila Wandtke 5-7; Joan Pitts 4-5, 3-10;

Jim Brown 6-9-10; Nancy Saathoff 6-7, 3-10; Nancy Cole 2-5-7, 9-10; Joanna Moor 5-7; and Julie Hyink 4-5-7.

Below are some of the bowlers and their scores

Ida Asher 184; Bafia, Robert 193, 201, 549; Baptista, Rodney 177; Bilodeau, Linda 170; Black, Andy 185; Cole, Harry 243; Nancy Cole 170; Cregar, Jack 182, 505; Damert, Chuck 202, 174, 528; Fitzgerald, Avery 181; Grande, Robert 234, 170, 561; Harvey, Karla 171; Hill, Andrea 172; Hyink, Julie 189; Jenkins, Dan 194, 172, 190, 556; Kuzmich, Nick 226, 167, 177, 570; Kloeckner, Chuck 184; Kuether, Charlie 202, 188, 192, 582; Lockard, Ed 591, 658, 615, 611; Lower, Richard 181; Morrow, Bob 194, 178, 524; Morrow, Carolyn 214, 519; Perrin, Trill 181; Poynter, Russ 180, 175; Richardson, Phil 192; Rife, Paul 176, 188, 522; Roslan, Ray 191, 170, 507; Taylor, Carolyn 176; Vickery, Joe 189, 507; Wilson, Ida 194; and Wrubel, Carl 193.

If you need more information, call Jan 480-396-4136.

## Pickle Ball Is Alive and Well

by Ralph Shirey

Join the fastest growing outdoor game in senior circles Pickle Ball! Played on a smaller court than tennis, using a slower ball and smaller paddles, it is a game that can be played by young and old alike!

Scheduled play is Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays about 8:30-9:00 AM as the mornings are cooler now! The courts are available whenever you can

get players together; use your club card to access the shuffleboard room! Be sure and sign in on the signup sheet so we can record court usage for our records. Lights are available on the west court for night games!

If you are interested in learning the game, come by on the scheduled days and talk to anyone of the players and we can get you started!

Rule of the month! 4.A.

Serve Motion. The serve must be made with an underhand stroke so that contact with the ball is made below waist level.

4.A.1. Underhand Defined. The arm must be moving in an upward arc and the paddle head shall be below the wrist when it strikes the ball.

Have fun and play safe! Enjoy all of the activities in Dreamland Villa where retirement dreams come true!

## Dreamland Villa Ladies Golf League

by Kay Hawbaker

The league held the first golfing event for the 2012-13 season on November 8, 2012. Approximately twenty-two golfers met around 8:00 AM for coffee, pigs-in-a-blanket, and cinnamon rolls; and to get caught up with the latest news and happenings. A "Thank You" goes to Burdell Tatman for making the goodies. Then there was a shotgun, best ball scramble event which started at 9:00 AM. The club welcomed two new members. Pat Whitmore welcomed members back and got us out for the scramble. The course was in the best shape ever. About 18 members stayed for lunch at the Itsy Bitsy Café.

The Christmas luncheon will be held on Thursday, December 20, following regular play at around 1:00 PM. As usual, the sign-up sheet will be at the Pro Shop. Betty Zachman will be chairing the food committee.

The next General Meeting will be held at 9:30 AM on January 3, 2013, at the Read Hall with regular golf at the usual 10:30 AM start time. By the time this article was written, we

had not yet had our first regular meeting of the season. Look for any updates or changes which will be posted on the bulletin board at the Pro Shop. The Pro Shop will have a few copies of the handbook/calendar available as well.

The League plays each Thursday morning (except the week in December) until the end of the season. February is tournament time. To establish a handicap for the tournament, a player must have four cards submitted to qualify for the tournament and play at least three out of the four Thursdays in February.

Time will also be set aside for members to play on Tuesday mornings; however the Pro Shop does like to know the day before if there are members wanting to play. At least a foursome has been playing around 8:30 AM (and perhaps later as the temperatures cool) on Tuesday. Our dues are still \$15.00. The Pro Shop phone number is: 480 985 6591. Remember, anyone interested in joining is welcome. One does not need to be a member of Dreamland Community Club so invite your friends.

## Residents Represent Dreamland at Prescott Bowling Senior Olympics

by Ray Zabel

On Saturday, October 27, sixteen bowlers from the Dreamland Senior Bowling League drove up to Prescott for the Senior Olympics Bowling.

We left Dreamland about 6:30 AM and ate breakfast at Denny's in Prescott about 8:15 AM. We arrived at the Plaza Bowling Alley about 9:30 AM and were assigned our alleys to bowl singles which started at 10:15 AM. We had lunch and bowled doubles and mixed doubles at 1:15 PM.

We had a lot of winners of medals from our group as follows: WOMEN'S SINGLES: Joanna Moor (Gold), Vonita Hinson (Bronze), Dorothy Roslan (Silver), Darlene Poynter (Bronze); MEN'S SINGLES: Andy Black

(Gold), Dan Jenkins (Silver), Colin Walsh (Silver), Jim Brown (Gold), Ed Lockard (Silver), Ray Roslan (Silver), Ray Zabel (Bronze); MIXED DOUBLES: Karen Berdine & Andy Black (Bronze). WOMEN'S DOUBLES: Vonita Hinton & Joanna Moor (Gold); MEN'S DOUBLES: Dan Jenkins & Colin Welsh (Silver), Ray Zabel & Jim Brown (Gold), Steve Duncan & Chuck Damert (Silver), Ed Lockard & Avery Fitzgerald (Silver)

We had a great time yet, we left very tired. Bowling six games is tiring!

A reminder that we are having the SENIOR OLYMPICS in Mesa on March 2 and 3, 2013. It will be at the bowling alley at Brunswick on Southern.

## Hiking Group News

by Jill Holleque

Scheduled hikes for the 2012 - 2013 season are:

December 3 Hieroglyphic Canyon Trail (easy to moderate)

December 17 Butcher Jones Trail - (easy to moderate) Saguaro Lake

Hot Dog Roast after hike in picnic area

January 7 McDowell Mountain Park (easy to moderate) Scenic Loop Trail

Lunch at Fountain Hills Park

January 21 Picket Post Mountain Trail (easy to moderate)

February 4 McDowell Mountain Preserve (moderate)

Sunrise Trail - Lost Dog Wash Trailhead

February 18 Jacobs Crosscut - Treasure Loop (easy to moderate) Trail

March 4 Needle Rock Park (easy to moderate) Verde River

March 18 Lost Goldmine Trail (easy, flat)

End of season picnic after.

Details to be announced

April 1 San Tan Regional Park (easy to moderate)

Goldmine Trail to San Tan Trail to Moonlight Trail

Entrance Fee

Meet at Farnsworth Hall parking lot by 9:00 AM. We carpool to trail head and give the driver a few dollars for gas. If there is an entrance fee per car, we share that expense as well. Bring plenty of water and pack a lunch.

If you have questions, please contact Jill Holleque whose cell number can be found in the 2012 Dreamland directory.

Bless us all!

## ENTERTAINMENT

### Needham Twins Return to Farnsworth Hall

by Judy Ford

Come and dance to the Needham Twins at Farnsworth Hall on Saturday, December 8, 2012, at 7:00 to 10:00 PM. Charge is \$10.00 per person. Tickets may be purchased at the Dreamland office at 320 North 55th Place and University or at the door the night of the dance. Get your dancing shoes on and come and join the party.



### Silveridge Pops Will Present Christmas Music

by Judy Ford

On Thursday, December 13, 2012, at 7:00 PM, Farnsworth Community Theater will be presenting the Silveridge Pops Orchestra.

Throughout December, a group of retirees known as the Silveridge Pops Orchestra will bring the Christmas spirit to Mesa with five performances.

Led by conductor Julie Mahoney, the musicians will play holiday music selected by Mahoney and assistant conductor Chris Perry, such as a "Christmas Rocks at the Pops," "O Holy Night," and "It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year." The concerts are always a crowd pleaser," Mahoney said. "I mean people love Christmas music and we have a really nice variety of music."

Founded in 1982, the orchestra has performed its December concert series every year for the past 29 years. This year's series will feature violin and French horn duets, in addition to the larger renditions of Christmas songs. The orchestra, made up of 70 volunteers from around the East Valley, performs concerts only in December, February and March. The group started as the Citrus Gardens Orchestra, agreeing to perform Christmas and spring concerts at the Citrus Gardens Mobile Home Park in exchange for practice space, according to Mahoney. Soon after, the members of the orchestra decided to share their concerts with other resorts and retirement communities in the area.



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# CLUBS

## Photography Club

by Glynn and Alicia Short

The Superstition Mountain Museum was the site of the Photography Club's first photo field trip. A group of the club members were treated to a tour of the museum before walking around the grounds to begin the first of a monthly series of photo shoots. The Elvis Memorial Chapel and Apacheland Movie Ranch Barn are displayed at the museum. Scenic desert surrounding old west equipment such as buckboard, stagecoaches and outhouse all made wonderful topics for photographers.



The Club's meetings will feature two teaching sessions and one will be a "show and tell" of the photos taken by members on the field trips. Members may also show other photos they have taken if they are not able to go on the field trip.

Members will be given information on chances to enter photo contests if they wish. One photo will be chosen to be featured in the *Citizen* newspaper to accompany the Photography Club's article.

Location for the meetings is held in Read Hall at 10:00 AM each Monday morning. Members will meet to carpool to field trip locations at 9:30 AM.

This month's featured photo is selected by random drawing. Each member will pick his/her favorite photo to be considered for the monthly *Citizen* photo. A drawing of a name to select which one will go into the newspaper will determine whose photo goes into the *Citizen*. This month's photo was shot by Dee Fragomeni. She shot the photo with an aperture set at f9, shutter at 1/160, iso at 100, and program mode.

Watch soon for a webpage on the DVCC's website which will feature many photos taken by the Photography Club's members. All Dreamland Villa Community Club members are welcome to belong to the club. For more information contact Glynn Short at 480-467-7211.

## Arts and Crafts Club

by Jennifer Tompkins

On November 3, 2012, we had our first Arts and Crafts Show of the 2012-13 season. There were several new crafters there with many new crafts for sale. As I wandered through the aisles, I saw beautiful quilts made of soft, cuddly flannel and new pet blankets that any dog or cat would find a nice place to take a nap. There were some fancy things made of shells including crosses and wreaths. Even our regular crafters have introduced new items to their tables. Things I noticed were more and different jewelry, slippers, new Christmas items, and with the new interest in aprons more and different styles are being offered.

With all of the new items for sale and new crafters, I would say the Dreamland Villa Arts and Crafts Show has been refreshed. Our next show is Saturday, December 1 from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM at Farnsworth Hall. Mark your calendar and plan to attend. Just in time for Christmas shopping, you will be bound to find many gifts for those special people on your list. There will even be warm things like hats and scarves to send to people up north. Remember, it's all MADE IN AMERICA.

## Quilting Club

by Becky Lamson

Our meetings on October 29th and November 1st found some of our members busy making a combination pin cushion/thread - scrap holder. The two-day project was rewarding for all that participated as well as creating a useful item for their sewing room or for gift giving.

At our November 15th meeting we made a quilted top for a small tin container. They can be used as a gift box or for holding a small treasure etc.

Our monthly quilt picture contains table runners, pillow covers, scrappy quilts, wall hangings, pin cushion/thread catcher all made by club members during the past month and shared with the club during our show and tell session on November 1st.

We welcome your unused quilting fabric and batting. You can contact the quilt club President Becky Lamson at (480) 202-7003, and she will arrange a time to pick it up or you may drop it off during our weekly quilt meetings at Read Hall, Thursdays from 1:00-3:00 PM. New or prospective members are always welcome.

Quilters' quote of the month: Remember, people will see your quilts long after you are gone... Not your housework!!

## Silver Sweaters

by Ruth Parker

Where has the summer gone? The weather is so nice in the mornings. It's nice to start the day out with 20 minutes of stand up exercises and 20 minutes of floor exercises in Read Hall at 8:00 AM on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings. Arrive a little early to mingle and catch up on the news. All Dreamland Villa members are welcome.

Yesterday is history, tomorrow is a mystery, and today is a gift. That's why they call it the present. By Eleanor Roosevelt

## Wood Chippers Carving Club

Carving Club is meeting every Tuesday from 1:30 PM to 3:00 PM at Read Hall in R3. Everyone is welcome to attend. Come and see if you like carving, we will help you. We will also have some carvings for sell. For more information call Everett at 480-336-3819.

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## CLUBS

### Ceramic Chaos

by Teena Baker

MERRY CHRISTMAS, EVERYONE. All of us here at Ceramic Chaos are wishing you a very Merry Christmas.

That time of year is here again, a season of joy and giving. It is also a season of hectic frenzy. Have you begun working on your list of holiday to-dos? Making gifts for your friends, putting the finishing touches on a special project for your home or for that someone special? It is a very busy time of year, but I hope you are able to take the time to enjoy it. Take a little time and stop by the Ceramic Room and have a look around. We have a large variety of ceramic projects that you could create plus finished items available for sale. You might find that special box that your granddaughter would like for her trinkets. Your grandson might like that little train bank, what about that vase with the flowers, or how about that CAT that you could make look just like Aunt Jane's Tabby? You still have time to finish them and get them in the mail. While you're working on them, you will be able to visit with friends, have coffee,

tea or hot chocolate, and enjoy cookies or cake. Our ceramic folks are good cooks and there's always food around as well as good company.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Sharon Caskey for donating greenware to Ceramic Chaos. Ceramic Chaos is always on the lookout for new items being brought in and donated to us. Thank you, Sharon, for your fine donations.

The Ceramic Chaos Christmas Party is going to be on the 19th of December.

Our reservation is for 1:00 PM so we need to be there by 12:30. We have decided as a group to go to MONI'S in Tempe for a nice afternoon meal. Monti's is located at 100 South Mill Ave. Built in 1871, Monti's La Casa Vieja ("The Old House") has a unique western atmosphere, originally Tempe's



founding pioneer home. Prepaid reservations including entrée choice are required. Cost per meal is \$25 which includes tax and tip. Money is due in by the 12th of December.

No refund for no show. Meal includes coffee, tea, or soda, salad, entrée, seasonal vegetable and Chef's choice for dessert. Dress will be holiday party.

Ceramic Chaos classes will end by 4:00 PM on December 18th. Classes will begin on the 7th of January. Any ceramic item finished at this time will be fired and available for pick up on December 21 between 2:00 PM-3:00 PM.

Our Monitor for this month is Dee Fragomeni. I was born and raised in Cleveland, Ohio. I was a Cleveland Police officer for eighteen years. My duties consisted of running the

gamut from zone car, being a Detective in SVU Unit, and lastly firearms instructor of both veteran and new Police Officers. I was the first female in the history of the Cleveland Police Department to be assigned as a firearms instructor. My husband Frank and I have been married for 29 years and have one son. We moved here in 2008 and took up residency in the Dreamland Villa Community.

I joined Ceramics Chaos four years ago and have enjoyed working on different pieces of ceramics. I knew nothing about ceramics until I joined the class. I have learned a lot from two of the most patient and informative teachers (Teena Baker and Mary Anne Glauner). We have a great group of members in ceramics, and I am sure I can speak for the group by saying come and join us.

TIPS: Use a damp sponge to clean bisque before applying glaze. Dust on the bisque will sometimes cause the glaze to peel off or could create pinholes.

### Computer Club

by Donna Hanson

Things are already picking up since many of the members are back in Arizona. We are glad to see each and every one of you. Plans are being made to have more classes that should be of interest to all members. Some could be refresher courses and those seem to be necessary also.

So far there is not a lot of interest in purchasing the new Windows 8, but as usual, sooner or later, we will be using it and after awhile, we may say it is great. We just recently scheduled Pat and Claudette Davis from SOS to come to our Room 9 on December 10 to show us how Windows 8 operates. Class will be at 9:00 AM

There seems to be more and more people thinking about purchasing the tablets or e-readers. It is nice they are small enough that they can be carried around easily. Now when you go to the doctor's office, you can take your tablet and continue reading your favorite book or checking on things on the Internet. Of course, that is if the office has wi-fi. However nowadays,

you can make use of the "cloud" and still enjoy your tablet or e-reader.

John Ahrens has been busy lining up speakers for all the General Meetings that are always held on the first Wednesday of each month. Even though you are not a member of the Computer Club, you are welcome to attend our General Meetings which during the winter months are held at Farnsworth Hall at 9:00 AM. If you wish to join, our dues are very reasonable and by doing so, you are eligible to attend all our classes at no extra cost.

Dave Whittle was the speaker at our most recent General Meeting. He brought along some of the newer computers and tablets for us to see. He also demonstrated the MUVEE program he had available for us to buy.

Several people in our group are very knowledgeable about how a computer operates and may be able to help with your problems.

The brunch at Golden Corral will continue to be on the third Thursday of each month at 10:30 AM with members and their guests always welcome. It is a nice time to get better acquainted

and enjoy the good food that is served there.

There will be an election of officers at the December 5<sup>th</sup> General Meeting, so please attend and make your choices. Or if you are interested in becoming an officer for the following year, this is the time to announce your request.

The speaker for the December meeting will be Denise Crawford who will speak on a popular subject, Genealogy. She will tell us how to get started in our research using the census records, among many other ways to learn about our ancestors. Perhaps after hearing her comments, you may wish to find out more about your ancestors, and we can help you get it all recorded on your computer. Your children and grandchildren will be very happy that you have researched all this information and will thank you in advance for doing this.

Please check our monthly calendar that is posted on the door of Room 9 and is also available at the main office. We invite you to attend as a guest at some of our classes. You may decide to join our very active club.

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# ENTERTAINMENT

## Halloween Sock Hop

by Ralph Shirey

Thirty five to forty trick or treat seekers attended the masquerade party on Halloween night. Farnsworth Hall was haunted with people dressed in all sorts of costumes! We had Aunt (not uncle) Sam, scarecrow, clowns, teeny boppers, pumpkins, witches, priest, monk, cowboys, sheriffs, cowgirls, Broadway dancers, pilots, Zorro, hobos and more!

Dennis (dressed as Zorro) and Donna Zurbay provided the DJ music, and controlled the dance tempo. We did the electric slide, hokey pokey, polkas, Latin dances, waltzes, swing and foxtrots.

They had a good selection of music for any requests that came up!

Door prizes including two pair of tickets for a pancake breakfast donated by the Kitchen Krew, two tickets to the Marty Berks show donated by Farnsworth Hall, a beautiful necklace donated by the lapidary shop and six items donated by Ceramic Chaos were awarded.

Ceramic Chaos sold water, soda and popcorn in the kitchen to raise money for their group!

All comments were positive and every goblin appeared to have enjoyed the evening!



## Jam Sessions Will Continue

by Nydia Pobran



Once again jam sessions will continue at Farnsworth Hall. A schedule of dates for the season is as follows: December 14, January 4, February 8, and March 22 from 1:00 to 3:00 PM.

We encourage you to come out and enjoy an afternoon of great music

and fellowship. These jams are open to the public but are invitational to musicians. If interested in playing, call Nydia at 641-2911.

## Sing-a-Long

by Joan Wissinger

What a wonderful time we had at our November 11<sup>th</sup> sing-a-long. We celebrated Veterans Day by singing patriotic music. Following the Sing-a-Long we enjoyed cake, lemonade and peach tea. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the evening. We did miss a lot of our regulars who aren't back yet.

We are looking forward to more enjoyable evenings. Christmas songs will be sung on December 2<sup>nd</sup>, then we go to January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013. Mark your calendars now.

We wish all a very Merry Christmas and wonderful, healthy, prosperous New Year!



## Young Spotlight Singers Will Entertain at Farnsworth

by Judy Ford

Farnsworth Hall is proud to present for your enjoyment the Spotlight Singers on Friday, December 7, 2012, from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM. This group is comprised of young singers in the East Valley. Cost of this show is a canned food item for the food bank and a donation to help support the singing group.



## Voices of Peace to Sing at Farnsworth

by Judy Ford

On Monday, December 10, 2012, Farnsworth Hall Community Theater presents a Christmas Concert put on by the Voices of Peace Choir. The concert starts at 7:00 PM with doors opening at 6:00 PM. Tickets are \$5.00 at the door, or may be purchased at the Dreamland Villa Office at 55<sup>th</sup> Place and University Streets. Please help us support the food bank by donating a non-perishable food item as well.



## Potluck Dinner Will Take Place December 20<sup>th</sup>

by Patty Thorpe

Come join us to eat wonderful food prepared by Dreamland Villa's great cooks at Farnsworth Hall on Thursday, December 20 6:00 PM and meet some new friends and visit with old friends.

Prepare one of your favorite dishes that will feed 8 - 10 people along with your own silverware, plates, cups, or anything else you would like to bring. Water, coffee (both decaf and regular), and hot water for tea will be provided.

If you have any questions, call Patty at 1-608-843-3871. See you the 20<sup>th</sup>!

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# FINANCIAL REPORTS

Revenue and Expenses				
Monday, October 1, 2012 to Wednesday, October 31, 2012				
Dreamland Villa				
Cash Accounting Year Starts January 1, 2012				
	Current	Percent	Year To Date	Percent
<b>INCOME</b>				
Income				
4100 Annual Assessment	\$649.00	9.5	\$20,658.13	33.9
4105 Prior Years Dues	\$0.00	0.0	\$432.89	0.7
4220 Admission Fee -Member	\$1,925.00	28.1	\$14,300.00	23.5
4225 Transfer Fee Inc	\$750.00	11.0	\$6,750.00	11.1
4250 Commissions & Fees	\$278.45	4.1	\$2,479.10	4.1
4305 Sprint Tower Income	\$864.00	12.6	\$6,048.00	9.9
4310 Facility Lease Income	\$730.00	10.7	\$4,650.00	7.6
4315 Rental Income	\$390.00	5.7	\$430.00	0.7
4400 Entertainment Income	\$1,256.00	18.4	\$4,232.34	7.0
4405 Kitchen Income	\$0.00	0.0	\$487.10	0.8
4500 Miscellaneous Income	\$0.00	0.0	\$401.00	0.7
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$6,842.45</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>\$60,868.56</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
Expenses				
5005 Entertainment Expense	\$1,651.69	24.1	\$3,412.76	5.6
5018 Citizen Newspaper Exp	\$350.00	5.1	\$2,250.00	3.7
5025 Library Expense	\$149.58	2.2	\$657.48	1.1
5050 Building Damage	\$0.00	0.0	(\$13.77)	0.0
5100 Website Expense	\$75.00	1.1	\$225.00	0.4
5105 Accounting Expense	\$400.00	5.8	\$400.00	0.7
5115 Bank Charges	\$0.00	0.0	\$71.35	0.1
5120 Vehicle Expense	\$312.38	4.6	\$1,163.87	1.9
5205 Office Supplies	\$631.12	9.2	\$1,713.82	2.8
5210 Postage	\$352.67	5.2	\$1,250.82	2.1
5215 Copy Machine Expense	\$237.73	3.5	\$1,660.06	2.7
5505 Pool Maint. & Supplies	\$1,113.65	16.3	\$7,190.24	11.8
5510 Other Maint. & Supplies	\$1,910.19	27.9	\$10,511.30	17.3
5515 Kitchen Expense	\$0.00	0.0	\$480.92	0.8
5600 Miscellaneous Expense	\$0.00	0.0	\$64.87	0.1
6105 Workmans Comp Ins	\$472.00	6.9	\$1,652.00	2.7
6110 General Insurance	\$2,239.77	32.7	\$15,703.39	25.8
6115 Licenses & Permits	\$0.00	0.0	\$1,620.00	2.7
6120 Trash Collection	\$470.16	6.9	\$3,229.07	5.3
6125 Legal Expense	\$194,529.03	2,843.0	\$198,946.78	326.8
6150 Capital Proj Reserve Exp	(\$116,750.00)	1,706.3	(\$116,750.00)	191.8
6205 Telephone Expense	\$352.29	5.1	\$2,458.03	4.0
6210 Natural Gas Expense	\$666.73	9.7	\$14,469.76	23.8
6215 Electric	\$2,596.75	38.0	\$19,420.11	31.9
6220 Security Service	\$574.72	8.4	\$3,637.63	6.0
6225 Water & Sewer Expense	\$1,151.91	16.8	\$10,599.86	17.4
6230 Landscape Expense	\$0.00	0.0	\$711.79	1.2
6325 Property Taxes	\$21.70	0.3	\$21.70	0.0
6405 Salaries & Wages	\$10,872.08	158.9	\$85,454.70	140.4
6410 Payroll Taxes	\$859.27	12.6	\$6,981.08	11.5
6415 Payroll Processing	\$207.48	3.0	\$1,615.45	2.7
6510 Federal Income Tax	\$0.00	0.0	\$50.12	0.1
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$105,447.90</b>	<b>1,541.1</b>	<b>\$280,860.19</b>	<b>461.4</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$105,447.90</b>	<b>1,541.1</b>	<b>\$280,860.19</b>	<b>461.4</b>
<b>NET INCOME (LOSS)</b>	<b>(\$98,605.45)</b>	<b>1,441.1</b>	<b>(\$219,991.63)</b>	<b>361.4</b>

Balance Sheet	
Wednesday, October 31, 2012	
Dreamland Villa	
Cash Accounting Year Starts January 1, 2012	
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
1010 National Bank of Arizona	\$76,415.29
1011 Petty Cash	\$300.00
1012 Change Fd-Entertain-Kit	\$350.00
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>\$77,065.29</b>
Fixed Assets	
1100 Equipment	\$31,505.15
1110 Land	\$69,174.00
1120 Buildings	\$665,782.02
1125 Allow for Dep Buildings	(\$665,782.02)
1130 Outside Improvements	\$158,761.24
1135 A/D Outside Improvements	(\$148,098.53)
1140 Swimming Pools	\$60,881.86
1145 A/D Swimming Pools	(\$55,001.18)
1150 Furniture and Fixtures	\$35,841.10
1155 A/D Furniture & Fixtures	(\$35,841.10)
1160 Buildings & Equip NBV	\$154,251.74
1165 A/D Buildings & Equip NBV	(\$154,251.74)
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$117,222.54</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$194,287.83</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Current Liabilities	
2100 Clearing Account	(\$1,786.01)
2150 Open Credits	(\$111.90)
2204 Farnsworth Hall Reserve	\$1,052.50
2206 Nature Walk	\$430.00
2305 Johns Villa Rest Deposit	\$500.00
2310 Maranatha Church Deposit	\$250.00
2315 Facility Use Deposit	\$1,130.00
2420 Restricted Donations -Lib	\$1,458.95
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>\$2,923.54</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$2,923.54</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>	
3030 Retained Earnings	\$411,355.92
Current Year Earnings	(\$219,991.63)
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>	<b>\$191,364.29</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$194,287.83</b>



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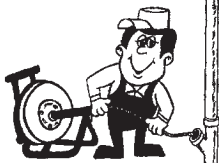




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Calendar notices or dates are the responsibility of the leaders of each group. Deadline notice is due to the office by the 5 <sup>th</sup> of each month.						1 Arts & Craft Show F 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM
2 Maranatha Church F 9:00 – 12:00 Noon  Penn Club F 12:00 – 5:00 PM	3 Hikers meet F 9:00 AM	4 Board Study Session R 9:00 AM  Singles Pot Luck R 6:00 PM	5 Computer Club F 9:00 AM	6 Talent Show F 4:00 PM  Michigan Club R 5:00 PM	7 Spotlight Singers F 6:00 PM	8 Coffee Social R 7:30 AM  Iowa Club R 9:30 AM  Needham Twins F 7:00 PM
9 Maranatha Church F 9:00-12:00 Noon  Sing-A-Long R 7:00 PM	10 Voices of Peace Choir F 7:00 PM	11 Board Meeting R 9:00 AM  New Member Orientation R 7:00 PM	12 Singles Club Meeting R 9:30 AM	13 Silverridge Pops F 7:00 PM	14 Jam Session F 1:00 – 3:00 PM	15
16 Maranatha Church F 9:00-12:00 Noon  FARNSWORTH POOL CLOSED	17 Hikers Meet F 9:00 AM  Marty Berk Comedy F 7:00 PM	18 Ladies Golf Luncheon R 1:00 PM Minnesota Club R 5:30 PM	19	20 Potluck F 6:00 PM	21	22 Coffee Social R 7:30AM
23 Maranatha Church F 9:00 – 12:00 Noon  READ POOL CLOSED	24 Office Closed for Christmas Eve	25 Office Closed For Christmas	26	27	28	29
30	31 Office Closed at Noon  New Year's Eve Dance F 7:00 PM					

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SUNDAY AM	MONDAY AM	TUESDAY AM	WEDNESDAY AM	THURSDAY AM	FRIDAY AM	SATURDAY AM
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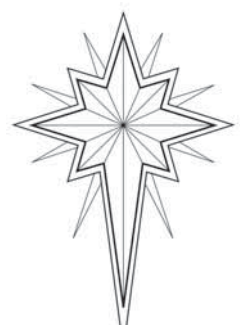
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# Dreamland Villa Community Club Minutes – Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, November 13, 2012

Open Forum:

Larry Welchko – 40 members have signed a petition to allow Shirly Fischer ride her motorized tricycle into the pool area and park. A letter from Mike's Bike shop stating that an adult tricycle does not have a kick stand and will not cause damage to the pool deck. The board has never passed a motion changing the rule to allow bikes into the pool, even though Shirly Fischer has previously written a letter to the board and request was denied. The sign should not have been changed, rule has been in place since 1999. Request is being made to allow electric tricycles into pool area. Red Westall stated this is on the agenda under Old Business and will be discussed at that time.

Bill Copeland - Decatur Street in the 100 block of 65th and 64th St. is very overgrown, dense and a fire hazard. He has contacted the city and Velda Rose and been told this is DVCC's responsibility. Jim Cook confirmed this not in DVCC. DVCC property ends at 61st St. Barb Miller states this is county land he should contact Maricopa County.

Red Westall: Announces Donna Zurbay has taken over the job of getting volunteers to help.

Donna Zurbay: If anyone needs help finding volunteers she will assist in finding the help needed. Donna will also be coordinating a caravan of cars to take people interested in getting there food handlers cards to the location for the test and photos.

Red Westall: Appointment of new board member as secretary, no volunteers. Jackie Young will take minutes for this meeting.

DVCC Members present: 27. Pledge of Allegiance made: meeting called to order at 9:10 AM. Roll Call: Present: Red Westall, Wendell Black, Jim Cook, Judy Ford, Aggie Forsyth, Dodie Gruner, Steve Holleque, Patty Thorpe, Gordon Watson, Gloria Wilson-White, and Lyle Wood. Excused: Frances Skaggs. Absent: Larry Wilkens.

Approval of Minutes: Wendell Black moved to approve the minutes of the 5/08/12 Board Meeting. Lyle Wood Seconded. Motion passed.

Approval of Minutes for the November study session: Gloria Wilson-White pointed out she was not at the meeting. Minutes amended to show her excused absence. Motion made to approve minutes with amendment, seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Patty Thorpe – Financial committee consists of me, Charles and Larry Wilkens, who is not yet back. Charles and Patty have been working on spread sheets to prepare for the 2013 budget in regard to the salary increases for employees of DVCC, if any, the annual dues and the rest of the budget expenses. This will be completed prior to the Study Session in December and will be ready for the rest of the board to examine. A copy will also go to Dorothy Randall of the

Personnel committee for any salary changes in 2013. Will be talking to chairmen of any committees regarding any possible changes in 2013. Regarding the balance sheet for October, we will need to be careful with any expenditure for the rest of the month due to expenses in the month of October. Balance sheets will be posted outside of office.

Administrative Services Manager's Report: Kee cards have been ordered and new receipt books have arrived. Report attached.

Standing Committee Reports:

Maintenance: Steve Holleque - Smoke alarms tested, air filters replaced, parking stops being painted. All weeding has been done. A lot was completed over the summer. Report attached.

Pool Committee: Steve Holleque - Report attached.

Membership: Agnes Forsythe: Charles covered all issues in his report, nothing else to add.

Complaints: Gordon Watson: 158 total complaints to date for 2012, closed 106, 30 at the county, still open is 22. Report attached.

Entertainment: Judy Ford – Full season ahead, please pick up a brochure and see the sign up sheet in the office for volunteers. Report attached.

Library: Agnes Forsyth – Library has begun winter hours, currently fully staffed with volunteers, but will always take names.

Hobbies, Crafts & Indoor Activities: Lyle Wood – Most activities underway for the winter season. The first Craft Show of the season was held last Saturday. Lyle Wood requests to be re-moved as Chairman of this committee.

Out Door committee: Ralph Shirey: Pickle ball has continued all year, now meeting at 8am, Shuffle board has begun, Bocce ball has also begun. Report attached for Sock Hop and Pickle Ball.

Kitchen committee: Dodie Gruner: Saturday is first pancake breakfast of the season at Farnsworth Hall.

Nature Walk: Red Westall – There are several trees down due to summer storms. Brian is pricing the necessary equipment to remove such as a chain saw and safety equipment. Professional pricing for removal of trees would be approximately \$700 each. Report attached.

Welcoming committee: Charles Dubbs – 19 new residents were in attendance. Presentations were made by several clubs and committee chairmen. Attendees enjoyed an evening of sharing and cake in celebration of Hazel Dubbs birthday. Report attached.

Strategic Planning: Everett Boyd – No report.

Website Committee: Dorothy Randall – Web site is doing very well. Several improvements made over the summer. Report attached.

A Written Statement was presented by Red Westall regarding the settlement of the two HOA lawsuits. The statement will be published on the website and in the Citizen Newspaper.

Charles Dubbs issued a special thanks to Harry Cole for his hard work on the Veteran's Day Celebration.

Old Business:

Bicycle in pool area – Wendell Black: Confusion over bikes in the pool. No official motion has been made regarding bicycles in pool area. Reference Rule 10. No change has been made.

Motion made to amend Rule 10 to include adult 3 wheel tricycles and non-licensed bicycles. 2nd was made. Motion passed.

New Business:

By-law Changes: not to be discussed at this time per Red Westall.

Ad-Hoc Committee for Velda Rose: Red Westall – President of Velda Rose came to office last week, they would like to be able to pay for their residents to use our amenities.

Following discussion it was decided to form Ad-Hoc committee to investigate. Lyle Wood to head committee.

Review of DVCC Membership Rules and Regulation – Jim Cook – Not prepared to present at this time.

Appointing a secretary: Red Westall – No one available at this time.

Knox Boxes: Charles Dubbs – Proposes to place Knox box at each facility for safety to allow access for Police, Fire and EMT's to be able to enter. Decided to postpone voting until further information is obtained.

Nominating Committee: David Senke, Chairman – Some candidates have been identified, still looking for more. Dec. 3rd next committee meeting.

Annual Dues: Motion made by Lyle Wood to raise dues by \$10.00 to \$125.00. Following lengthy discussion motion was seconded by Patty Thorpe. Five votes in favor, 4 votes against (Judy Ford voted No), President cast tie breaking vote in favor. Motion passed.

Heating Lap Pool: Red Westall – Motion was made by Red Westall, to heat the lap pool to the lowest state requirement as of December 1st. Motion seconded by Patty Thorpe. All in favor. Motion passed.

Meeting Adjourned at approximately 11:30 am.

Respectfully submitted,

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