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DVCC Briefs

DVCC Board Study Session
Tuesday, December 3, 2013
Read Hall
9:00 AM

Line Dancing Lessons
Tuesday, December 3, 10, 17, 2013
Farnsworth Hall
6:00 – 7:00 PM

Open Dancing
Tuesday, December 3, 10, 17, 2013
Farnsworth Hall
7:00 – 9:00 PM

Arts and Crafts Fair
Saturday, December 7, 2013
Farnsworth Hall
9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

DVCC Board Meeting
Tuesday, December 10, 2013
Read Hall
9:00 AM

T&B Production Talent Show
Thursday, December 12, 2013
Farnsworth Hall
2:00 PM

Red Mountain UMC
Christmas Choir Concert
Friday, December 13, 2013
Farnsworth Hall
7:00 PM

Jam Session
Friday, December 20, 2013
Farnsworth Hall
1:00 PM

Potluck Dinner
Thursday, December 19, 2013
Farnsworth Hall
6:00 PM

Ceramic Chaos Bake Sale
Thursday, December 19, 2013
Saturday, December 21, 2013
Farnsworth Hall
6:00 PM and 7:30 PM

Pancake Breakfast
Saturday, December 21, 2013
Farnsworth Hall
7:30 AM

New Year's Eve Party
Tuesday, December 31, 2013
Farnsworth Hall
8:30 PM

Happy Holidays To One And All

Let's Help the Scouts and Show Our Patriotism

by Barbara Miller

Boy Scout Troop 755 has a program in which they place American flags in your yard for eight holidays. They provide and install a ¾ inch PVC pipe in the ground in your yard to secure the flag. They also provide a 3' by 5' US flag on a 10' pole in your front yard. They post the flag early in the morning and retrieve it in the evening for the following holidays: Civil Rights Day – 3rd Monday in January; Presidents Day – 3rd Monday in February; Memorial Day – Last Monday in May; Flag Day – June 14th; Independence Day – July 4th; Labor Day – 1st Monday in September; Patriots Day – September 11th; and Veterans Day – November 11th. You have to do nothing because they do it all. It's great!

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helps young men attend camp and participate in the tremendous Boy Scout of

America youth program. This is such a worthwhile program and gives us as citizens a strong chance to display our patriotism. The Scouts look forward to serving you this coming year, and please tell your neighbors about the service. Thank you so much for supporting the Boy Scouts and know that it is appreciated.

See page 5 for donation form.

Dues Forms Will Be Coming in the Mail

by Karen Peterson

The time is nearing when we will all need to update our membership cards. Shortly after Thanksgiving the Dues Application Forms will be mailed to each household. Be sure to look for yours in the mail. The renewal process will be a little different this year from the last few years.

When you receive your application, it needs to be completed. Then it can be either brought to the office and put in the box on the counter, or it can be mailed to the office as was done in the past. Now comes the different part. You can also bring your completed application to Read Hall and your new card will be processed when you are there and you can take it home with you. This will begin on January 6,

2014. We will be able to help you each morning beginning at 8:30 and each afternoon beginning at 1:00. If you brought your application to the office or mailed it in, your new card will have been processed and waiting for you to pick it up. This will also begin on January 6, 2014. When you pick up your card, please bring your 2013 card with you to help us with eligibility issues. Your new card can be used beginning in February. The card will NOT be mailed.

Our membership fees keep Dreamland Villa a great place to live. The cost of not mailing cards will help in our effort to add to the budget. The membership committee appreciates your cooperation and looks forward to seeing each of you when you pick up your card.

DVCC Receives Audubon Society Award

by Dorothy Randall

On November 9, 2013, the Desert Rivers Audubon Society presented a plaque in appreciation and recognition of the Nature Walk. Nomination for this award came from Audubon member, Peggy Thomas. Ms. Thomas, who is wheelchair bound, enjoys the ease of

use and quiet surroundings plus all the birds, plants and wild life that inhabit the trail. Our trail was one of several locations that members of the Society would be visiting as a full day outing. Dreamland Board member, Lyle Wood, accepted the plaque that will be posted at the trail head.



Nature Walk Cleanup Is Scheduled for the 11th

by Larry Wilkens

I would like to thank everyone who has help make our Nature Walk what it is today. Desert Rivers Audubon Chapter recognized our efforts and presented us with a plaque on November 9, 2013. Lyle Woods was able to accept this award on our behalf. (See article on this page.)

A fall cleanup of the Nature Walk is scheduled for **Wednesday, December 11, 2013**, Meet at Farnsworth Hall at 9:00 AM, and we will make a trip through the Nature Walk to trim shrubs, trees and pick up any litter. Look forward to seeing everyone. Bring your gloves, clippers and rakes.

Any questions, please contact Larry Wilkens at 612-965-5045.

Candidates for the Board Are Needed for 2014

by Dave Senke

Once again the Nominating Committee is looking for candidates to serve on the Dreamland Villa Board of Directors. Anyone interested can leave his/her name and phone number at DVCC office with Irene or Jackie, and someone from the Nominating Committee will contact you with more information. Arrangements will be made for pictures and bios to be posted in the January *Citizen*. Elections will be held in February.

Thank you for your support and interest.

Block Watch Needs You

by Barbara Miller

The weather has cooled, so it is once again time for the Block Watch Program to start recruiting some residents who are willing to volunteer

to be a captain for your own block. The responsibilities are minimal while you are getting to know your neighbors. If you are interested, please call Barbara Miller (480-396-

6791) or Katie Senke (315-656-7879) if you are wanting to join a great group of DVCC residents already working as captains. Thank you for your interest.



Barbara Miller: Editor

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Letters will be accepted from active members of DVC Club. Please be as brief as possible and avoid controversial political or religious matters. DVC Club reserves the right to reject any article. All letters must be signed and please use only one side of the paper.

- Editor

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The President's Message

by John P. Mathews



Happy Holidays! It is so nice to see the decorations around Dreamland and think about the special times with friends and family that this season brings to mind. We hope you have a wonderful Christmas season and that the New Year will be filled with peace and serenity in your lives

We want to remind everyone that your Board meets the first Tuesday of each month at 9:00 AM in Read Hall in a study session to hammer out the plans and events that you would like to see throughout the year. On the second Tuesday of each month at 9:00 AM in Read Hall your Board of Directors meets to vote and conduct club business and to hear reports

on the clubs finances and other important matters. As a club member you are invited to attend these meetings.

We welcome your input and invite your ideas. In the past month we've had some requests for an open seminar in reference to the new insurance exchanges that are a big topic of discussion, so we invited a professional insurance broker to host this event which was held in Farnsworth Hall. We hope you attended and were able to have many of your questions answered. There have also been other special events and activities held such as the ice cream socials which came in response to your promptings.

This is also the time of the year when your Dreamland Villa Community Club holds the annual membership drive. We urge you to support the Dreamland Villa Community Club with your voluntary membership fee of only \$125 per person per year. This enables us to continue to provide the wonderful programs and facilities so many enjoy.

If you haven't visited the office and picked up a copy of our newest Dreamland Villa color brochure, we invite you to do so as it features a

listing of the many opportunities and club benefits you can participate in once you are a current member. Please look the brochure over carefully.

In addition, our office staff has recently been researching the various resorts in the area and what they charge for similar amenities or less, and we want to share this information with you so you can judge for yourself what a great bargain it is to be a member of Dreamland Villa Community Club.

- Apache Wells \$588 per month
- Sunlife Resort \$451.10 per month
- Las Palms \$525 to \$640 per month
- View Point \$479.17 to \$566.67 per month
- Tower Point \$458.34 to \$470.84 per month
- Greenfield Village \$141 per month
- Leisure World \$341 per month
- Dreamland Villa \$125 PER YEAR

We hope this latest information will prompt you to sign up today. If you have any additional questions, please feel free to phone our business office at 480-832-3461 and speak to Irene or Jackie.

Have a wonderful holiday season and take advantage of the many dances and social events planned at Dreamland Villa. Looking forward to meeting and associating with you.

In Memoriam



MUNGO, Paul, 83, of Dreamland Villa died on October 16, 2013, after a brief illness. He was born in Glenfield, New York and was a graduate of Utica College and Syracuse University. A dedicated educator, Paul taught in Phoenix high schools from 1959 until 1987.

Paul was preceded in death by his beloved wife Norma. Paul had no children, but he often said he felt like he did because of his students. He was respected and loved by many, including former colleagues and students and staff at the Fort McDowell Casino where he loved to

play the "slots." Paul will be remembered for his generosity, the profound impact he had on his students, the pride he took in their successes, and his frequent and hearty laugh.

Paul is survived by his dear companion, Anna Pratt, nephew David Mungo and wife Merry (Boulder, CO), grand-nephew David C. Mungo (Houston), and nephew Paul H. Mungo (London).

An informal memorial will be held at 1:00 PM on December 7, 2013, at Read Hall, Dreamland Villa. RSVP to pamungo1930@gmail.com by December 3. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to any of Paul's former schools (Phoenix Union, Maryvale, Carl Hayden, and Alhambra). See <http://www.phxhs.k12.az.us/Page/249>.

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News from the Librarian's Desk

by Evelyn Rounds

For those of you from the North who are enjoying our warm weather, welcome! Our coffee room is open and waiting while your partner is browsing our shelves.

Our volunteers generally work one day per week and thoroughly enjoy meeting new people and keeping in touch with neighbors, so come in to sign up. Leave your name and phone number and head Librarian Barb Thacker will contact you. Gentlemen are welcome to our volunteer staff, so don't be shy.

Our normal hours are 10:00 AM until noon on Mondays and Fridays. Wednesdays we are open from 10:00 AM until noon and 1:00 until 3:00 PM. We are also open the first and third Saturday of every month from 10:00 AM until noon. Please pick up an orange bookmark when you visit us. It has all of our hours plus the days that we are closed.

Thank you for all of the great donations. We appreciate all of your support this last year. Have a wonderful Christmas and a safe New Year. We, at your Dreamland Villa Community Library, wish you the very best.

Citizen Book Review

by Margie Gilbert

The Postmistress by Sarah Blake

In 1940 World War II has begun. Franklin, Massachusetts, a small village on the outer coast of Cape Cod, has a new Postmaster. Iris James is 40 something, single and is driven to do the best job she can do and to find a husband. Franklin's Dr. Will Fitch has brought home a new wife, Emma. Iris is a bold, strong lady and Emma a shy, unsure young bride. In London Frankie Bard is working with Ed Murrow, Erik Sevareid, and others to bring the story of the war home to America. No one in America wants to be involved or to admit that the war could have any impact on their lives.

No one, that is, except Harry Vale, Franklin's town mechanic and self appointed Civil Defense officer. Harry turns much of his business over to a helper and spends his days looking at the sea with binoculars, searching for German submarines. Harry is concerned that Iris's Post Office flag pole may act as a beacon to the Germans. He convinces her to write a letter to her superiors about lowering the flag pole to be below the roof line. They become friends and later become engaged.

Dr. Will and Emma listen, as most of the townspeople do to the nightly news broadcasts from Europe. They are particularly moved by Frankie Bard's stories of people on the street during the Blitz in London. When Dr. Will loses a patient, he feels that his family's bad luck is following him and doubts his wisdom of coming back to Franklin to face his demons. He writes to a hospital in London and is gladly welcomed to come and help in the effort to treat victims of the Blitz.

Frankie and Dr. Will meet in an underground shelter during the worst of the Blitz, and he is struck by a cab the next morning as they part. Dr. Will dies in Frankie's lap and as she leaves the scene is given a letter that was in his pocket addressed to Emma. Dr. Will had been trying to make sense of his life. Now Frankie tries to make sense of the war and spends weeks riding trains in Europe, recording and taking down stories of the Jews from all countries fleeing for their lives.

Months later, disillusioned and exhausted, Frankie quits her job and returns home. After staying with her mother for a month, she goes to Franklin to deliver Dr. Will's last letter to Emma. She realizes after she gets there that several months after his death, Emma has not been notified.

In the end, Iris's efforts to protect Emma from bad news brings the three women together. Emma has lost her husband with a baby due, Frankie has given up her career in broadcast journalism, and the postmistress, Iris realizes she alone cannot protect the village from the war. The war goes on even as ordinary lives continue.

From the Office

by Jackie Young

It's wonderful to see our friends and neighbors back again for the winter season. All the smiling faces and warm welcomes makes it very festive in the office. Did you know that John's Villa Restaurant is now serving on the pool side patio? There is a window to place your order and you can sit pool side and enjoy either your breakfast or lunch or how about a refreshing drink and snack?

Upcoming events at Farnsworth Hall include the always fun DVCC Talent Show hosted by our very own T & B Productions. Red Mountain United Methodist Church will be presenting an evening of Christmas music and don't forget the Walk-In Movie! All special events will have a box for food donation.

Office happenings include preparations for the 2014 Membership Drive that will kick off in January; you should receive your notices in the mail by mid-December. The DVCC Board meetings are still the second Tuesday of each month, and I encourage everyone to attend. There are various clubs and activities going on each day, so please come on out and enjoy your selves and meet your neighbors.

The entire staff of Dreamland Villa Community Club would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Easy Cooking

by Mary Anne Glauner

Cranberry Chicken

- 3 lbs Chicken thighs (skinless/boneless) *
- 1 15 oz Can Cranberry Sauce
- 1 Pkg Dry Onion Soup Mix
- 2 Tbls Dry Tapioca

Place chicken in a slow cooker, spread cranberry sauce on top. Sprinkle onion soup mix and tapioca over chicken. Cook on low heat for six (6) hours. Makes six servings.

*Turkey may be substituted or chicken with bones; remove bones before serving.

In and Around the Villa

by Mary Anne Glauner

Merry Christmas to all our friends and family, especially our DVCC friends. May the New Year be the best ever! Wow, 2013 is almost over and we are looking 2014 in the mirror. Time to think about those New Year resolutions, the ones that you'll break before January is over! Ha Ha. There are so many wonderful opportunities to take advantage of here in DVCC to make your days fun. We hope one of your resolutions is to try something new offered here, like painting in the Art Room; joining the Computer Club; learning a new card game, or maybe Line Dancing. Just check the *Citizen* or the Telephone Directory for information on everything available to us; you won't be sorry.

Bank of America branch in Fry's at Greenfield and Main Street has closed due to loss of lease. Many of us will miss the availability of this great bank branch because you could bank on Sundays.

Raising Cane's Chicken Fingers is opening their restaurant at Baseline and Stapley. They are introducing a new concept for chicken fingers which sounds interesting. The Cutting Board has opened at 2235 S. Power Road. The will be serving breakfast and lunch as well as vegetarian meals. Their hours are 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Zenburger's and LaLa Chicken & Waffles is opening in the new Gilbert Heritage Marketplace next summer.

Christmas at Rock-Away Rest

'Twas the night before Christmas at Rock-Away Rest,
And all of us seniors were looking our best.
Our glasses, how sparkly, our wrinkles, how merry;
Our punchbowl held prune juice plus three drops of sherry.
A bed sock was taped to each walker, in hope
That Santa would bring us soft candy and soap.
We surely were lucky to be there with friends,
Secure in this residence and in our Depends.

Our grandkids had sent us some Christmassy crafts,
Like angels in snowsuits and penguins on rafts.

The dental assistant had borrowed our teeth,
And from them she'd crafted a holiday wreath.
The bed pans, so shiny, all stood in a row,
Reflecting our candle's magnificent glow.
Our supper so festive—the joy wouldn't stop—
Was creamy warm oatmeal with sprinkles on top.
Our salad was Jell-O, so jiggly and great,
Then puree of fruitcake was spooned on each plate.
The social director then had us play games,
Like "Where Are You Living?" and "What Are Your Names?"

Our Grandfather Looper was feeling his oats,
Proclaiming that reindeer were nothing but goats.
Our resident wand' rer was tied to her chair,
In hopes that at bedtime she still would be there.
Security lights on the new fallen snow
Made outdoors seem noon to the old folks below.
Then out on the porch there arose quite a clatter
(But we are so deaf that it just didn't matter).
A strange little fellow flew in through the door,
Then tripped on the sill and fell flat on the floor.
'Twas just a director, all toggled out in red,
He jiggled and chuckled and patted each head.
We knew from the way that he strutted and jived
Our social-security checks had arrived.
We sang—how we sang—in our monotone croak,
Till the clock tinkled out its soft eight p.m. stroke.
And soon we were snuggling deep in our beds.
While nurses distributed nocturnal meds.
And so ends our Christmas at Rock-Away Rest,
'Fore long you'll be with us, we wish you the best!

Author Unknown

Ceramic Chaos Is Busy Baking for You

by Mary Anne Glauner

Ceramic Chaos is again asking for support from the members of Dreamland Villa CC to help us get our kiln repaired. We are not asking for a hand-out, but for you to purchase the baked goods we will be selling at our Bake Sale.

The first bake sale will be at the Potluck Dinner at Farnsworth Hall on Thursday night, December 19th. We will be selling breads, cookies, brownies, fudge, cakes, pies, and anything you might want to serve during this holiday season. There may even be a home-made fruit cake available. Everything will be baked by the members of Ceramic Chaos, and they hope you will want to support our good cause.

The second bake sale will be at Farnsworth Hall at the Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, December 21. You can enjoy your breakfast and then come purchase something for your Sunday morning breakfast or dinner. We will have dinner rolls, sweet rolls, cookies, breads, cupcakes, pies, and fudge. We thank you for supporting us in this endeavor.

Does Your Club Want to Make Money?

by Barbara Miller

Does your Dreamland Villa club, organization, or group want to make money to use for things that are needed in your organization? The perfect answer is to sell concessions at various events such as dances, shows, and other performances that are held at Farnsworth Hall.

Money can be made if your group is willing to take on this project. For more information contact Jackie at the office at 480-832-3461, and she will be glad to inform you of what is involved.



From the Editor

by Barbara Miller

It is the wonderful holiday season where many people can share good times with family and friends as well as sharing gifts and fabulous food. The gift of thank you is what I need to give to so many people in Dreamland Villa. The residents of this community are so supportive and really appreciate all of the things that many of our volunteers do. The people who make the *Dreamland Villa Citizen* the link of what is going on the community include the reporters who write the articles and get them to me in a timely manner. In addition we have Bea Westall who is in charge of all of the carriers who deliver the paper throughout the winter season. Also, in the office, Jackie Young and Irene Nissen, put up with me constantly regarding facts and information needed for the articles. I would like to thank Carl Miller, the publisher, who is a constant source of assistance and invaluable help. My thanks go to President John Mathews and the remaining Board members for allowing me to do something I love. It is a great ride. Show your support to the Board by attending Board meetings,

enjoying social events, and giving encouragement. Kudos to all of the fantastic people who live in this great community. Let us continue to improve where we live and make it the best.

I would like to share a true story that happened to my granddaughter, an Ohio State grad, this past summer where she is employed. It really shows that there are still many wonderful people who do great things, even if it is just a smile to someone walking by you on the sidewalk. Enjoy this special holiday season and Merry Christmas.

Christmas in July

My granddaughter, Heather, a manager of a Bob Evans Restaurant in Columbus, Ohio, was informed by one of her employees that a pastor's wife called the restaurant to inform them that thirty people from their church would be arriving at their restaurant around 2:30 PM for a meal. Heather selected two of her top loyal, dedicated female servers to take care of the guests. Both girls were putting themselves through Ohio State

University as well as helping to deal with their mothers who were battling cancer.

The girls took the orders, served the food, and treated the customers with great respect. After the pastor paid the bill, he requested the girls come to their table. He presented each server with an envelope with all kinds of wonderful words of encouragement written on them. Inside the envelope each girl found \$3,000 and was totally dumbfounded which, of course, ended in tears. The money was considered a gift; therefore, no taxes would have to be paid. The pastor explained this had been a dream of his to present a server with a nice sum of money to help them in some way.

He also added, "Our philosophy is to promote a community that focuses on the Lord."

Since the preacher's wife had not required a server with certain qualifications, Heather took it upon herself to pick her two top people. She two was overwhelmed and decided, "It was a God thing."

DREAMLAND VILLA COMMUNITY CLUB

Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, May 14, 2013 - Read Hall

The meeting was called to order at 9:04 AM by President John Mathews. Open forum was held with remarks by Dorothy Randall. Pledge of Allegiance was made. Roll Call of directors revealed those present were: Wendell Black, Harry Cole, Dan Collins, Charles Dubbs, Aggie Forsyth, John Mathews, George Sheppard, Patty Thorpe, Gordon Watson, and Lyle Wood. Absent and excused: Larry Wilkens. Absent and unexcused Patricia Fender.

A quorum was present.

4/9/13 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes - Charles Dubbs made a motion to approve. Second: Wendell Black. Motion passed.

4/23/13 Board of Directors Study Session Minutes - Aggie Forsyth made a motion to approve. Second: Harry Cole. Motion passed.

5/7/13 Study Session Meeting Minutes - Lyle Wood made a motion to approve. Second: Gordon Watson. Motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Treasurer's Report - Patty Thorpe

Current balance in checking account \$220,594.14. A spreadsheet was passed out that shows estimated income and expenses May through December 2013. A balance sheet for April 30, 2013 along with Revenue and Expenses for April were provided. Patty is leaving for Wisconsin for the summer - Charles Dubbs, Assistant Treasurer will be available through the summer. Financial report May 14, 2013 on file.

Administrative Services Manager's Report - Jackie Young

There are 2227 membership cards and 407 social cards issued to date. Of 19 home closings in April, 10 chose to become DVCC members. 16 new escrow requests were processed. Century Link upgraded the office router and

verified we are at 12mgs of DSL service. Phone problems have been fixed. Wifi is now available at the Read Hall complex. The cost to add Wifi to Farnsworth Hall would be \$85 per month for 12 mgs of DSL utilizing the phone line already there. The 3 year proposed contract includes free installation and a free modem. All SRP meters have been put on time of use plan. Report on file.

Committee Reports:

Citizens Posse - No report

Citizen News - Barbara Miller

Papers will be smaller in the summer months and there is no home delivery until Oct.

By-Laws & Policies & Procedures - Aggie Forsyth

A Parliamentarian is needed to fulfill! the boards desire to retain that position.

Article VI, Section 10 which deals with capital expenditures over \$20,000 which are not for maintenance or repair has been referred back to committee for review.

Renaming of the Nature Walk Oversight and Maintenance Committee was deemed unnecessary at the Study Session. Report on file.

Compliance - Gordon Watson

41 complaints have been filed for 2013, 23 are still open. Report on file.

Maintenance & Pool Maintenance (Progress Reports) - Harry Cole

On April 29 trespassers were found camped out behind Farnsworth Hall and removed. Projector system at Farnsworth Hall! is being "finalized". 10 new tables are now at Farnsworth Hall. An extensive maintenance report is on file.

Farnsworth Entertainment - Patricia Fender

No report

Hobbies, Crafts, and Indoor Activities - Red Westall
No report. Harry Cole stated that monitors need to be present in woodshop when work is being done.

Kitchen Sub Committee - George Sheppard

No report

Library - Dan Cotlins No report

Membership -Dorothy Randal! reporting for Karen Peterson

A committee meeting was held May 2 to consider changes and improvements for the 2014 membership drive. Cost savings in postage was an emphasis. The procedure the committee has chosen requires early notification of the process be given to members via the Citizen and the web site beginning in September. The committee plans to publish an article in the November Citizen with the dollar amount of the 2014 dues and therefore the Committee requests the October Study Session agenda include a discussion resulting in the setting of the dues amount by the October 8, 2013 board meeting. Report on file.

Nature Walk - Eagle Scout Nature Walk Project Report - John Mathews

Ethan Lowry and the troop are working on benches and nearly done. An article is planned for the October Citizen reporting what has been done. (Photos were passed around the Board members and all commented the work was done very well)

Outdoor Recreational Activities (Shuffle Board Resurfacing Progress Report) - Bruce VanVleet Two courts will be resurfaced over the summer.

The remainder of the minutes will appear in the January issue of the *Citizen*.

Forty Years of Help Services

"The Rest of the Story"

by Jim Cook

As Paul Harvey would have said, "and now, the rest of the story". Our 40th Anniversary Open House Celebration is a thing of the past. I want to thank all of you who attended the event. While we didn't have as many visit us as we had hoped, those who did come found the exhibits informative and the food good. Dottie Bagshaw of Dreamland stated, "We just appreciate all of the help that Help Services provides for us. This anniversary celebration really showed many people what they have to offer the community." "I

possible. First of all is Betty Maynard, who chaired the anniversary committee. She and her committee members, Dean Albertsen, Cliff Bean, Rich Forsyth, Kriss Miles and Joanna Padilla worked hard over the past six months taking an idea and bringing it to fruition in the one-day open house celebration. And there were the many volunteers who not only worked hard to set up and dismantle the various exhibits but also were there to greet the visitors. Special thanks to the six retired Registered Nurses who checked the blood pressures of 83 attendees. And last, but not least, there



really enjoyed the history books on display. It was a great event and with so much free equipment for people to borrow which saves them money. It was wonderful," commented Velda Rose resident, Bob Klein.

I want to thank all that made the event

were the following businesses, organizations and individuals that either donated funds to help fund the event, contributed items to be used as door prizes or provided some form of kind service: Albertsons, Applebee's, Costco, Dreamland Villa Community



Club, Farnsworth Development, DVCC Bingo Club, DVCC Ceramic's Department, Fry's Food Stores, Great Clips, John's Villa, Lutheran Thrift Shop, May's Family Haircutters, Olive Garden, Red Mountain Café, Sam's Club, Serrano's Great Mexican Food, Velda Rose Estates Association, Web On The fly and Wild Berry Diner. Without all that help, our 40th Anniversary Open House would not have happened.

For those of you who were not able to attend the open house but want to learn more about Help Services, we invite you to visit our facility any Monday through Saturday from 9:00 AM to Noon. Our monitors will be glad to show you what we have to offer and how you can help us. We are located at 5210 E. University Drive, just east of Higley Road. If the hours we are open are not convenient for you but you really want to visit us, please call (480) 985-6021 to make an appointment for a visit that will fit into your schedule. You can also learn more about Help Services by visiting our web site

at www.HelpServicesInc.org.

Now its time to look to the future. Help Services is there to help all residents of Dreamland Villa and Velda Rose Estates who are sick, injured or convalescing, with loan free health care equipment. At this time when many are unsure as to exactly what health care insurance coverage they may have, they can count on Help Services. Help Services is not associated with any insurance organization nor governmental agency. The service we provide is not affected by what happens in Washington, nor, for that matter, in our State Legislature. We operate strictly on the donations we receive. Because of that, we ask those of you who have the budget flexibility to give whatever you are able so that we may continue to serve all the residents in our communities. And, if you have time on your hands, consider volunteering as a monitor. It's not fair for just a few to do all the work, however easy. Come in today and sign up.

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Who Do You Call for Troubled Street Lights?

by Dennis Zurbay

Do you have a street light near you that is either out or not working properly? Help can be on the way if you call and report it. Who you call depends on the number on the side of the pole about 6-8 feet up. If the

number begins with a ME prefix, call the City of Mesa Street Light Issues number (480) 644-3191. If it begins with no prefix or any other prefix, call SRP Customer Service at (602) 236-8888 or (800) 258-4777. Be prepared to tell them the street location of the light and the street light number. If you are unsure who to call or what the pole number is, start with SRP and they will help you report it. Don't settle for dark when light is available.

Arizona Day Trip

Japanese Friendship Garden – Phoenix

by Alicia Short

I've always loved Japanese Gardens and often wondered and even thought it was possible to make one in my back yard using Arizona's native plants. Well, looks like I was on the right track. When I learned there was a Japanese Garden in Phoenix we just had to go. The Photo Club also thought it was a good location for photos, and we were not disappointed.



In the heart of Phoenix is a most beautiful Japanese garden called Ro Ho En which (in Japanese) means **Ro** – Heron; **Ho** – is the Japanese word for Phoenix bird and **En** – Garden. As you enter the self-guided tour you find many traditional Japanese structures and objects mixed with native Arizona materials and plants. The ten foot tall, **Kasuga doro**, a stone lantern in the style



used in gardens, greets you as you begin your walk. Scenery along the path depicts low grasslands. Ponds with koi fish and Mallard ducks swim lazily in the water, waiting for you to feed them. |

The Viewing Pavilion sets the site for oak and pine environment and a view across the pond to the waterfall. The waterfall is the highlight of the garden and evokes the feeling of a waterfall that would naturally occur in the mountains. The boulders were hand placed and came from Congress, Arizona. A perfect photo shot.

Along the path is a fork leading to the **ro ji** or traditional Tea House called **Musoan**. Only guests signed up for the traditional tea ceremony can enter. (Reservations are required and it cost about \$40). Nearby are more, but smaller waterfalls depicting mountain streams and falls. One of the traditions of Japanese garden design is to recycle materials to prevent waste. The slats on the stream bridge were designed to resemble the foundation of a structure to symbolize the use of leftover material.

On the trail you will see the **shachi**. This is a mythical fish with the face of a tiger. Images of these ferocious fish are traditionally placed on the roof of important buildings as a charm against fire. Stone towers or **Tasoutou** is representational of storage places for Buddhist relics and seen on the way. Further along the path you will see the **Yukimi doro**, a short lantern with a large top placed at the water's edge so its flame will seem to float above the surface of the water.

As you move along the curved bridge (**taiko bashi**) more traditional Japanese items are seen. And it's the best place to feed the koi fish. Their bright yellow, orange and

black markings certainly spark up the water. The **zig zag** or **Yatsubashi** (bridge) is offset to ward off evil spirits which



Photo by Glynn Short

travel in a straight line, or so goes the superstition's belief... a beautiful area and one of my favorites of the whole garden.

Next to the garden is a high rise condominium, and I would say the people living on the side of the garden have the best view in town. To get there take the Hwy.202 west merging onto the I-10 highway. Exit on 7th Street and turn right to McDowell. Make a left onto McDowell. At 5th Avenue make a left and travel down to Portland Street, make a left again and another left on 3rd Avenue. The Japanese garden is about a block on the right. Due to the one way streets and the light rail train, you have to do a bit of jogging around to get there. Price for seniors is only \$4. The garden is a trip I plan to take again. **Arigato!** (Goodbye) - see you somewhere in Arizona next time.

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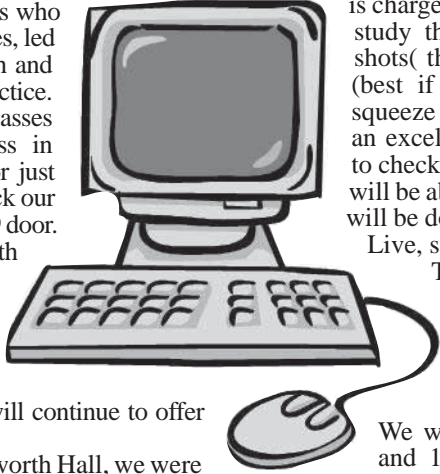
Computer Club

by Kay Hawbaker

Members have been busy in the computer room! We have had so much fun (and sometimes frustration!) with iPads! Katie Gertz came for three two hour classes and there were thirteen of our members who attended. We then had follow-up classes, led by Donna Hanson and Janet Harbaugh and these sessions gave us a chance to practice. We are planning to have more iPad classes and will add an android tablet class in December. So if you are frustrated or just want to get some help, be sure and check our monthly calendar posted on the Room 9 door.

Donna Hanson did a great job with her genealogy classes and everyone was excited about learning about their ancestors and where they came from. Donna will be taking some well deserved time off, but Kay and Dan will be there to help anyone and we will continue to offer the classes through out the season.

At our November meeting at Farnsworth Hall, we were privileged to have Gary Stanley, a renowned photographer and computer expert, give a program on how to take successful pictures with all kinds of digital equipment from expensive cameras to our phones and tablets. He showed us



what we could do with our pictures after we have taken them from enhancing to framing. He gave us a checklist of what to be aware of before we start on our picture taking event.

He stressed that we should always be sure our battery is charged, check the camera's settings, clean the lens, study the light, horizontal vs. vertical, take many shots(they are cheap), use light to your advantage (best if morning or evening), check your LCD, squeeze the trigger and use different angles. He was an excellent and entertaining speaker. If you want to check out his website at www.gary.stanley.net, you will be able to see some of his photos. Kay Hawbaker will be doing some photo classes using Photo Gallery Live, so be sure and check our calendar.

The Computer Club has decided it was time to clean up our computer room and make room for a different arrangement to better accommodate our classes. We are planning an open house on Saturday, December 14th in the computer lab(Room 9) at Read Hall.

We will have a silent auction between 10:00AM and 1:00PM. We are giving our members first choice but we would like to invite anyone interested in seeing how our club works to come join us at that time. Some of the items we will be offering are: three XP computers which includes the computer, monitor, keyboard

and mouse. These computers have all been gone through and updated thanks to John Ahrens and Dan Nelson. They spent many hours doing that and we want them to know how much this was appreciated. We also have a large corner computer desk, several keyboards(some are new), two projectors, an HP Deskjet 832L printer, HP Scanjet 3970 flatbed scanner and a Teac FD-55 5 1/4 floppy internal drive.

Katie Gertz will be our speaker for the December 4 meeting at Farnsworth Hall. She will talk about Social Media. Our children and grandchildren are already big into this, and it is a great way to see what they are doing with these programs. They are texting, tweeting, and twittering circles around us so we need to keep ourselves up to date so they don't think we are completely out of the loop! Gary said eighty-five per cent of pictures posted on internet sites are being taken by cell phones.

If any of you are interested in joining our club, our dues are \$15.00 for one person in a household or \$20.00 for two people. If you have any questions please feel free to call us or just drop in.

And again we invite you to come eat with us on the third Thursday of each month at the Golden Corral. You do not have to be a club member to attend. Bring your friends about 10:30 AM on December 19th and ask to sit with "the Dreamland Computer" group. The food is great and we would like to meet you there.

Wet Paint

by Alicia Short

Registration for the January/February Art Classes will be held Friday, **January 3, 2014**. Normally, registration for classes would be the last Friday of December, but due to the Christmas holiday, it is delayed. So, mark your calendars for January 3rd – 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM. If you can't make the registration date, you may do so on the first day of the class you wish to take.

Classes being offered are:

- Monday morning (9:00 – 11:30 AM) **Open Painting.**
- Monday afternoon (1:00 – 4:30 PM) **Portrait Painting** with Ila Wandtke

- Tuesday morning (9:00 – 11:30 AM) **Watercolor** with Bob Brum
- Wednesday morning (9:00 – 11:30 AM) **Watercolor** with Alicia Short
- Thursday morning (9:00 – 11:30 PM) **Acrylic and Oil** with Alicia Short

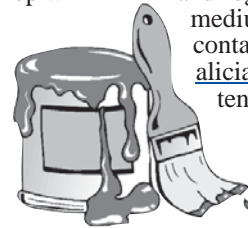
Regular class fees are \$35 for DVCC members. Your DVCC membership member number will be requested. At least three people need to be registered for a class in order for it to continue. Classes run for six weeks.

A special workshop called "Mixed Media Workshop" using acrylics, oils, and

paper collage will be given by Alicia Short beginning Friday, January 10, 1:00 – 3:30 PM. This class is a fun, loosening up kind of class. It will run four weeks. You will need acrylics and oil paints and a complete list of supplies will be given upon request. Price for the workshop is \$35. This workshop will be limited to ten people.

You will finish with an exciting landscape or abstract painting and some new painting skills. A few supplies will be provided. You will need to bring to the first class at least a 16x20 canvas, acrylic light molding paste, and gel medium-glossy. You

will also need two water containers, paper palettes or freezer paper, and a large palette knife or scraper. Additional supplies will be needed for the next classes: acrylic paints and oil paints – turpoid and oil medium such as linseed oil or Liquin, large brushes and regular brushes, containers for the mediums, and more. As mentioned contact me for a full supplies list... aliciashort@msn.com. Limited to ten people.



If you are unable to get to the registration, please email me or call at 480-444-6366 with the class you wish to take.

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-do's? 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 enjoying cookies or cake. Our ceramic folks are good cooks and there's always food around as well as good company.

The Ceramic Chaos Christmas Party is going to be on the 12th of December.

Our reservation is for 1:00 PM so we need to be there by 12:30 PM. We have decided as a group to go to MONTI'S in Tempe for a nice afternoon meal. Monti's is located at 100 South Mill Avenue. Built in 1871, Monti's La Casa Vieja ("The Old House") has a unique western atmosphere. Originally it is Tempe's founding pioneer home. Prepaid reservations including entrée choice are required. Cost per meal is \$28.50 includes tax and tip. Money is due in by the 1st 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 11th. Classes will begin on the 7th of January. Any last minute ceramic pieces that are needed for Christmas will be available for pick up on Monday, December 16th at 2:00 PM.

It is with a sad heart that I have to tell you that our good friend and great ceramicist Patricia L. Goodnight lost her 7seven year bottle with lung cancer. She died in Corsicana, Texas, where she lived with her daughter Vickie. She drove every summer all by herself to visit her other children and her sisters who lived in Washington, Nevada, and Colorado. She always spent a couple of days here in

Mesa at the beginning of her trip. Before she got sick she was one of our monitors here at Ceramic Chaos in Mesa. She was such a happy person and loved life. She will be missed by all who knew her. Please keep her family in your prayers.

The Mesa Community College Bowls for the Hungry project that we here at Ceramic Chaos take part in yearly was a wonderful success. I talked to Linda Espinoza from MCC who is head of the project on Friday. The total sales for all the bowls (silent auction as well as normal bowls) sold for a total of \$16,250. All proceeds goes to the nonprofit Pas de Cristo Community Center, which provides anti-hunger and empowerment support for the East Valley's homeless, unemployed, working poor and their families. Dreamland Villa bowls were greater than 10% of bowls sold. WAY TO GO!!!!

Ceramic Chaos is raffling off two Old World Santas that were made by Teena Baker. They stand 15" tall. The proceeds will go toward repairing one of our kilns that died. One of the Santas is done in white and gold, and the other Santa is done in burgundy and gold. The tickets will go on sale November 1st. The drawing will be held at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, December 10th. The Ceramic Room is open on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM. Winners can pick up their Santas by 3:00 PM on Wednesday, December 11th. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Come by the Ceramic Room to see the Santas and purchase your tickets.

The Arizona Ceramic Doll Show will be held at the Arizona State University West Campus on February 1 and 2, 2014. We would really like to have as many of our people as possible enter pieces in the competition. The pieces must be totally done by you. No one else may touch your piece. The pieces MUST be finished inside as well as out. Finished pieces must be turned into the ceramic room no later than the 28th of January. The times for the showing are Saturday from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM and Sunday from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Last year several of our people entered the competition and came back with ribbons. Let's do the same this year.

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Arts and Crafts

by Alicia Short

Get a head start on your Christmas shopping. What better place to get some unique and special Christmas gifts than the December 7th Arts & Craft Show. There will be lots of beautiful and useful choices for everyone on your Christmas list. Handcrafted articles are a special way to tell a loved friend or family member how much you care.

Choices include home décor items such as beautiful gourds, useful kitchen items such as hand crochet dish cloths that beat any purchased at the store. Jewelry is always a special gift for the lady of your life or a family member or friend. And they are original and hand made. And there's more. You just gotta come and see.

The Arts & Craft Show runs from 9:00 AM until 2:00 PM and parking is free as well as admission. Every year the show gets better and better, so you won't want to miss this one.

Want to know what to do with any Christmas cash after? Again you can get some really neat stuff at the January 25, 2015, show. For items to take home to family and friends, check us out again on March 1st for the last show of the season. Remember there are always birthdays throughout the year and what better place to get something special.



Singles Club

by Ruth Mogen

The November potluck was attended by nineteen people. We played the popular game of "Golf" afterwards. A group of us toured the Music Instruments Museum. Also we went to see/hear the San Tan Chorale singers. One of our club members, Mr. Russell Mathias, sings with the group. Our Hall-o-ween Party was attended by 21 members.

Our Christmas party will be on December 15, 2013, at 2:00 PM in Read Hall. We have breakfast, lunch and dinner out at different restaurants each month. We have a potluck supper the first Tuesday of each month at 6:00 PM in Read Hall. Our meetings are held the second and fourth Wednesday at 9:30 AM in Read Hall. We invite all singles to join us at any of these functions.

Dreamland Book Club

by Mary Lindgren



The Dreamland Book Club will hold its first gathering of this season on Thursday, December 12, 2013 from 2:00 till 3:30 PM at 6457 E El Paso Street.

We welcome all members of Dreamland Community Club who enjoy reading and discussing good literature.

If you have any questions, please contact me, Mary Lindgren, at 612-965-8500.

Quilting Club

by Becky Lamson

We welcome back many of you that were away for the summer. It's nice to see you again and your show and tell projects you worked on while away.

Most members have finished the Big Block Baby Quilt, and they look fantastic. These quilts will be donated to a charity in the near future.



Our picture is of placemats done by the group in a class facilitated by Betty Sharpy. It is made with three fat quarters, light weight iron on fleece batting, a rotary cutter and mat, pins, thread and your sewing machine. This was a quick project and the results would make a nice gift for a friend or a lovely addition to your own table. Thanks, Betty, for leading the class.

At our December 12th meeting we will have our Christmas Potluck Luncheon at Read Hall. Starting time will be 11:30 AM. Bring a dish to share and a white elephant item for the gift exchange.

We will not meet on December 19th, and 26th. We will start back on Jan 2nd meeting weekly on Thursday from 1:00 - 3:00 PM at Read Hall. During our meeting on Jan 2nd we will have election of officers.

New and prospective members are always welcome. 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 quilt meetings at Read Hall on Thursdays afternoon.

Quilters' quote of the month: Quilts are like friends - a great source of comfort and warmth.

Photography Club

by Alicia Short

The Photography Club journeyed to the Japanese Gardens in Phoenix for their first of the season, field trip. All along the pathways of the gardens were perfect spots for beautiful photography. In the Arizona Day Trip article you can read about the beautiful gardens. A small group of club members spent the morning in a beautiful setting taking photos, numbering well into the hundreds. At our next meeting we shared with each other some of our photography and were delighted with the results.

At our next field trip in November

we will go to the Boyce Thompson Arboretum to catch some fall colors. And next month we will have a photo or two of what we photograph there.

We invite you to attend our meeting for December which will be on Monday, December 2 at 10:00 AM. The club members will show their photos from Boyce Thompson Arboretum and select new leaders for the coming year. We meet on the west side of the Library Building. The next meeting is December 16 and will be a field trip somewhere. We meet at 9:00 AM in

front of the Sheriff's Office located on the west side of the Library to carpool to the location.

Membership dues are \$15 a year or \$20 for couples for a calendar year. Next year's dues will be due by January 1st. To find out about field trips and meetings, you can go to the Dreamland Villa website and find the Photography Club under Hobbies and Crafts. Location of the meetings when in house will be in the Sheriff's office area of the Library (west side of the building).



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Dreamland Villa Men's Golf League

by Ray Zabel

We are still playing golf on Mondays and Wednesdays at Dreamland Golf Course. Looks like we will be playing till April 1, 2014. Our tee times start at 11:00 AM. Show up and we will get you on the course. On Friday we have a POT Game at 8:00 AM. Anyone interested should show up about 7:30 A.M.

At this reading we had our dinner meeting Thursday, October 24 at 5:00 PM at Golden Corral. This was the club's first banquet of our winter season. The next one and the last will be March again at Golden Corral at 5:00 PM. We started the meeting singing *God Bless America* and Dale Tatman prayed. What a great meal, especially with all those choices.

We gave Dale Tatman a large HURRAH for his thirteen years of service for our men's golf club.

We had 50/50 drawing with Dale Tatman and Jim Pettis the winners.

The last was a drawings of envelopes with \$5.00 in them and the winners Freddie Vincent winning two, Al Gerholdt winning three, Jim Pittis, Ralph Hvidsten, Dick Wiland and Jim Lasse winning the rest.

Now let's play golf and have a great time with the time we have left on the Dreamland Golf Course.

Any question, call Larry Waterstradt, President (480-560-9415) or Dale Tatman (480-981-1645).Treasurer.



Dreamland Villa Ladies' Golf League

by Kay Hawbaker

The league held the first golfing event for the 20013-14 season on November 7, 2013. Approximately thirteen golfers met around 8:00 AM for coffee, pigs-in-a-blanket, and rolls along with getting caught up on the latest news and happenings. A "Thank You" goes to Burdell Tatman for making the goodies. The members played a regular round of golf which started at 9:00 AM. The course was in good shape. Almost all the members stayed for lunch at the Itsy Bitsy Café. The food there was very good. The club paid the bill and members left tips.

The Christmas Luncheon will be held on Thursday, December 19 following regular play at around 12:00 Noon in Read Hall. As usual, the sign-up sheet will be at the Pro shop.

The next General Meeting will be held at 9:30 AM on January 9, 2014, at 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 holiday 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. Our dues are still \$15.00. The Pro Shop phone number is 480-985-6591.

Hiking Group News

by Andrea Hill

The December hike is Monday, December 9. We will meet at Farnsworth Hall at 8:45 AM and depart at 9:00 AM. The hike is about 4+ miles, moderate with some up and down elevations. Since we carpool to the trailhead, please bring \$3 for your driver. Bring water, a snack, and wear hiking boots or tennis shoes with good grip-soles. There are no bathroom facilities at the trailhead, but the trailhead is very close off Power Road near the Bush Hwy. It will take about two hours to hike the Hawes-Ridge Trail Loop.



Christmas party news! There will be a hot-dog picnic and Christmas carols at our house after the hike. We are just three blocks from Farnsworth Hall on Decatur Street. Please bring a dish to share, a lawn chair, if possible, and your own drink if you wish. Please put money in a basket on the table to help pay for the meat, buns, condiments, and paper goods. Iced tea will be provided. You may bring your cold dish to our house the night before since I have an empty fridge or bring them in the morning. Hot food in crock-pots can be brought before 8:40 AM the morning of the hike and plugged in while we are gone. If you have any questions, please call me - my number is in the directory. I'll provide directions at the hike. Please call me with your email address if you are a new hiker.

January 6 will be our first hike of the New Year with hikes every Monday until the weather gets too hot. See you on the Happy Trails of Arizona!



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Dreamland Tuesday Bowling League

by Ray Zabel

The last Tuesday in October was the last day for summer bowling. It was a quite a day with Dan Jenkins and Charlie Kuether bowling 300 games. Also Colin Walsh bowled a 298 game. We will start our summer bowling again next April 15. Put that date on your calendar.



At our meeting before bowling we had a birthday celebration for Wayne Brown who turned 90 years of age. Wayne is a WW II veteran of the Battle of the Bulge with two Purple Hearts.

The Dreamland bowling season and its the first bowling day started at 12:30 PM November 5, a beautiful sunny day and a laughing happy smiling group all ready to go. We have two nine week halves, a playoff and on the last day the twentieth 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 need substitutes and we also need a couple permanent team members. Don't hesitate to call Jan if your're interested in either situations.

Some splits that were picked up:

Robert Bafia 3-10, 3-7-6; Max Katz 4-5-7; Ida Asher 4-5, 7-4; Karen Marzullo 3-10, 3-10; Linda Sandell 3-10; Russ Poynter 3-10; Phil Richardson 5-6-10, 3-10, 7-4.

Below are some of the bowlers and their scores

Barkman, Art 605; Becker, Darwin 642; Black, Andy 682;

Barney, Sue 767; Cole, Harry 664, 672; Goodwin, Tim 646; Glover, Walt 624; Katz, Max 594, 647, 646; Kuether, Charlie 758; Sanders, Jim 683, 633; Sarver, Jerry 744; Ridgeway, Bob 731; Cregar, Jack 762; Fountain, Al 645; Smith, Bob 638; Leeper, Sammy 618; Walsh, Colin 686, 656, 814; Hinton, Vonita 683, 664; Rexford, Cathy 634; Rexfod, Carrie 625; Sandell, Linda 627; Sandell, Bill 603; Marzullo, Pat 637, 785; Molitor, Bev 613, 601; Jenkins, Dan 618,657, 667, 798; Kloeckner, Chuck 653; Lower, Richard 667, 789; Morrow, Bob 630, 611, 719; Morrow, Carolyn 615; Perrin, Trill 181; and Richardson, Phil 619, 644.

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



Bocce Ball

by Dan Beringer



We are excited about the BOCCE BALL season getting started and getting to meet the new players who are coming to join us. The courts are in good shape and ready to put your skills to a test – lots of fun for everyone who participates! The game is a game of skill more than anything - a little like lawn bowling. Some of the games' best players are Ernie and Pete. They are both in their 90s, but you have to watch out for them! They'll get you one way or another. My point is that any age can play the game and be very competitive.

Scheduled time for play is 9:00 AM on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. If it gets warm later in the season, we may move the time to 8:30 AM. Play it by ear. Members and guests may use the Farnsworth courts up until 10:00 PM. The courts are well lit for night play. Just use your membership card and you're good to go! Come out and enjoy another good feature of DREAMLAND VILLA. Get out of the house and get some of that great Arizona sun!

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Reign-N-Country Band Will Host Benefit Show

by Dorothy Randall

There will be quality music presented by Reign-N-Country for your dancing or listening pleasure at Farnsworth Hall on Saturday, January 4th, from 6:00 to 9:00 PM. This is a Benefit Show for band member, Randy Wade, who is dealing with a health issue.

This very talented four piece band is well known in the East Valley. Melody Jaymes on drums, sax and clarinet; Randy Wade plays bass, guitars, keys and is a vocalist; Dave Young handles guitars, bass, banjo & vocals and Randy Olson on fiddle, guitars, bass, drums, vocals plus his wit adds some comedy.

Besides having a great evening with easy dancing music, proceeds from your ticket purchases will be given back to financially support Randy's medical needs. Tickets are \$10.00 and will be pre-sold at the Dreamland Villa office or at the door on the night of the performance.

Talent Show Will Present a Christmas Theme

by Irene Nissen

T&B Productions is still looking for talented people to entertain for the talent show. If you have talent or want to do a skit, it's never too late. Some of the residents who will be entertaining us are: Kelcie Daugherty, the Dream Steppers, Russell Mathias, Frank Walker, Betty Maynard, and Sylvia Klonglan. Mark your calendar for Thursday, December 12, 2013, at 2:00 PM at Farnsworth Hall. We really appreciate all of the Dreamland Residents for everything you do and the support you give each other. We have a lot of fun, and we're looking forward to putting on a great show as usual. Merry Christmas from your friends T&B!!!

Holiday Potluck Dinner Is Planned for the 19th

by Patty Thorpe

COME ONE, COME ALL! Please join us for our festive Potluck dinner on December 19, 2013, at Farnsworth Hall at 6:00 PM. Please bring one of your favorite recipes to share with 6-8 people along with your own eating utensils. Don't worry about bringing something to drink as we will provide water, coffee and tea. The potluck dinner is a great way for new residents to meet new friends and neighbors, so don't be shy, I know you will have a good time.

The Ceramic Club will be joining us for the evening, selling some of their beautiful masterpieces along with their bake goods.

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What Are You Doing New Year's Eve?

by Dorothy Randall

Here comes the jackpot question from the lyrics of a popular song written by Frank Loesser in 1947. "When the bells all ring and the horns all blow and the couples we know are fondly kissing, will you be among the missing on New Year's Eve?" Let's hope not!

Come and join your neighbors as you ring in the New Year together. Farnsworth Hall will be ready for an evening of dance, laughter, music appreciation all thrown together to make it a night to remember. Consider requesting a reserved table for 6 persons and bring snacks for your group to share. Soda, water, set-ups and ice will be available.

Entertainment will be presented by Moon Swings 2.0, the dynamic senior duo of husband and wife team, Ron Butler and Maddy Paschal. They will bring their professional singing gifts with hit songs of the 50's, 60's and 70's. Dr. Maddy Paschal is Ms. Senior Arizona 2010 and 1st runner up to Ms. Senior America. Ron Butler opened in Las Vegas for more than 30 years.

Join the party and celebrate from 8:30 P.M. to Midnight at Farnsworth Hall on December 31st. Tickets are \$10.00 and can be purchased in advance at the Dreamland Villa Office



or at the door the evening of the dance. Table reservations should be made in advance at the office.

Red Mountain UMC Choir to Perform Christmas Concert

by Barbara Miller

The Red Mountain United Methodist Church Choir will provide a Christmas Concert on Friday, December 13, 2013, at Farnsworth Hall, 6159 E University Drive, Mesa at 7:00 PM. The choir is a volunteer organization made up of mostly year-round Arizona residents, but do have some wonderful winter residents. The choir is fortunate to have several retired musicians/teachers as a part of the group, but for the most part the participants are folks who love music and love to sing.

Debbie Hollenbach, a graduate of Kansas State University with Bachelors and Masters Degrees in Music Education, began her tenure as Red Mountain choir director in 2008. The choir accompanists are Kathy Wooton who also directs the Handbell Choir and ARTSedge Children's Musicals and JR



McAlexander, who is the director of his own Musical Theater Company. In addition, JR was the Music Director of the Broadway Palm Theater for twenty years.

The program will include a variety

of Christmas music...secular and sacred favorites including a musical setting of the classic Christmas poem, "Twas the Night Before Christmas," a choral setting of selections from "The Nutcracker Suite"... and perhaps a special guest appearance by Santa Clause during sing-along Christmas Carol singing ... a classic radio show Christmas sketch ... plus beautiful music telling the sacred story of Christ's birth. Along with the choir several small ensembles and soloists from the choir will be performing.

This program will be sure to delight you and put you in the holiday mood. Tickets are \$5.00 which can be bought at the DVCC Office or at the door. In addition, it would really be appreciated if you can donate a canned food item(s) to help feed the homeless. See you there!



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 9:00AM Maranatha Church F	2	3 9:00AM Study Session R 6:00PM Line Dance Lessons F 7:00PM Open Dance – Dakota Kid F	4 9:00AM General Computer Club Meeting F 	5	6	7 9:00AM Arts & Craft Fair F 
8 9:00AM Maranatha Church F	9	10 9:00AM Board Meeting R 6:00PM Line Dance Lessons F 7:00PM Open Dance – Dakota Kid F	11	12 2:00PM T&B Production Talent Show F	13 7:00PM Red Mountain UMC Christmas Choir Concert F	14
15 9:00AM Maranatha Church F 2:00 PM Singles Christmas Party R Farnsworth Pool Closed	16	17 5:30 PM Minnesota Club Potluck - R 6:00PM Line Dance Lessons F 7:00PM Open Dance – Dakota Kid F	18	19 12:00PM Ladies Golf Christmas Party 6:00PM Potluck F 6:00PM Ceramic Chaos Bake Sale F	20 1:00PM Jam Session F 7:30AM Pancake Breakfast F 7:30AM Ceramic Chaos Bake Sale F	21
22 9:00AM Maranatha Church F Read Pool Closed	23	24	25 MERRY CHRISTMAS 	26	27	28
29 9:00 AM Maranatha Church F	30	31 8:30PM New Year's Eve Party (Mood Swings)	Calendar notices or dates are the responsibility of the leaders of each group. Deadline notice is due to the office by the 5 th of each month.			

DECEMBER WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY AM	MONDAY AM	TUESDAY AM	WEDNESDAY AM	THURSDAY AM	FRIDAY AM	SATURDAY AM
Worship on the Days of your choice	8:00 Lapidary R-6 8:00 Pickleball R-O 8:45 Hiking Club F 9:00 Open Painting R-5 9:00 Help Service HS 9:00 Woodshop R-10 9:30 Shuffleboard R-O 10:00 Library L	8:00 Global Tours R-3 1 st & 3 rd Tuesday 8:00 Silver Sweaters R 8:00 Lapidary R-6 9:00 Watercolor Painting R-5 9:00 Woodshop R-10 9:00 Ceramics R-7 9:00 Help Services H-S 9:00 Computer Club R-9 9:00 Bounce Ball F-O	8:00 Lapidary R-6 8:00 Silver Sweaters R 8:00 Pickleball R-O 9:00 Watercolor advanced & Beginning R-5 9:00 Computer Club R-9 9:00 Ceramics R-7 9:00 Help Services H-S 9:00 Woodshop R-10 9:30 Singles Meeting R 2 nd & 4 th Wednesday 9:30 Shuffleboard R-O 10:00 Library L	8:00 Lapidary R-6 8:00 Silver Sweaters R 9:00 Acrylic & oil paint R-5 9:00 Woodshop R-10 9:00 Help Service HS 9:00 Computer Club R-9 9:00 WoodShop R-10 9:00 DreamSteppers R-8 9:00 Bounce Ball F-O	8:00 Lapidary R-6 8:00 Pickleball R-O 9:00 Computer Club R-9 9:00 Help Service H-S 9:00 Woodshop R-10 9:30 Shuffleboard R-O 10:00 Library L 11:00 Poker R-8	7:30 Coffee Social R 2 nd & 4 th Saturday 9:00 Help Services H-S 9:00 Q&A Computer Club R-9 9:30 Iowa Coffee Social R 2 nd Saturday 9:30 North Dakota Coffee R 4 th Saturday Social 9:00 Bocce Ball F-O 10:00 Library L 1 st & 3 rd Saturday
SUNDAY PM	MONDAY PM	TUESDAY PM	WEDNESDAY PM	THURSDAY PM	FRIDAY PM	SATURDAY PM
7:00 Sing A Long R	1:00 Portrait Painting R-5 1:00 Card Hand and Foot R 1:00 Woodshop R-10 1:00 Lapidary R-6 1:30 Aquacize R-O 7:00 Cribbage R	1:00 Ceramics R-7 1:00 Woodshop R-10 1:00 Lapidary R-6 1:30 Aquacize R-O 1:30 Woodcarving R-3 6:00 Singles Potluck R 1 st	1:00 Whist & Euchre R 1:00 Ceramics R-7 1:00 Library L 1:00 Woodshop R-10 1:00 Lapidary R-6 1:30 Aquacize R-O 7:00 Bridge R	1:00 Quilters R 1:00 Woodshop R-10 1:00 Lapidary R-6	1:00 Canasta R Bridge R 1:00 Woodshop R-10 1:00 Lapidary R-6 1:30 Aquacize R-O 7:00 "500" R	7:00 Pinochle R

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Balance Sheet

Thursday, October 31, 2013

Dreamland Villa		Cash Accounting Year Starts January 1, 2013	
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
1010 National Bank of Arizona	\$89,355.26		
1011 Petty Cash	\$300.00		
1012 Change Fd-Entertain-Kit	\$400.00		
Total Current Assets		\$90,055.26	
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	(\$153,573.06)		
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)		
Total Fixed Assets		\$111,748.01	
Other Assets			
1202 Reserve MM1915	\$11,428.49		
Total Other Assets		\$11,428.49	
TOTAL ASSETS		\$213,231.76	
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
2150 Open Credits	\$115.00		
2204 Farnsworth Hall Reserve	\$1,052.50		
2206 Nature Walk	\$3,075.00		
2305 Johns Villa Rest Deposit	\$500.00		
2310 Maranatha Church Deposit	\$250.00		
2315 Facility Use Deposit	\$1,280.00		
2420 Restricted Donations -Lib	\$1,289.80		
Total Current Liabilities		\$7,562.30	
TOTAL LIABILITIES		\$7,562.30	
EQUITY			
3030 Retained Earnings	\$125,360.16		
Current Year Earnings	\$80,309.30		
TOTAL EQUITY		\$205,669.46	
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		\$213,231.76	

Revenue and Expenses

Sunday, September 1, 2013 to Monday, September 30, 2013

Dreamland Villa				
Cash Accounting Year Starts January 1, 2013				
	Current	Percent	Year To Date	Percent
INCOME				
Income				
4100 Annual Assessment	\$2,450.00	52.1	\$336,520.26	83.6
4220 Admission Fee -Member	\$550.00	11.7	\$16,350.00	4.1
4225 Transfer Fee Inc	\$375.00	8.0	\$7,375.00	1.8
4230 Legal Fee Recovery	\$17.08	0.4	\$17.08	0.0
4250 Commissions & Fees	\$33.80	0.7	\$596.92	0.1
4255 Interest Earned	\$0.00	0.0	\$0.74	0.0
4260 Investment Interest Inc	\$0.50	0.0	\$3.70	0.0
4305 Sprint Tower Income	\$0.00	0.0	\$8,208.00	2.0
4310 Facility Lease Income	\$0.00	0.0	\$11,150.00	2.8
4315 Rental Income	\$100.00	2.1	\$1,475.00	0.4
4400 Entertainment Income	\$90.00	1.9	\$14,093.98	3.5
4405 Kitchen Income	\$0.00	0.0	\$2,129.00	0.5
4415 Nature Walk Income	\$0.00	0.0	\$835.01	0.2
4500 Miscellaneous Income	\$1,090.00	23.2	\$3,574.48	0.9
Total Income	\$4,706.38	100.0	\$402,329.17	100.0
TOTAL INCOME				
	\$4,706.38	100.0	\$402,329.17	100.0
EXPENSES				
Expenses				
5005 Entertainment Expense	\$72.38	1.5	\$8,051.76	2.0
5018 Citizen Newspaper Exp	\$300.00	6.4	\$2,950.00	0.7
5025 Library Expense	\$0.00	0.0	\$817.20	0.2
5100 Website Expense	\$150.00	3.2	\$150.00	0.0
5105 Accounting Expense	\$0.00	0.0	\$1,520.47	0.4
5115 Bank Charges	\$0.00	0.0	\$183.50	0.0
5120 Vehicle Expense	\$70.52	1.5	\$818.79	0.2
5205 Office Supplies	\$586.19	12.5	\$3,989.26	1.0
5210 Postage	\$0.00	0.0	\$1,688.61	0.4
5215 Copy Machine Expense	\$237.98	5.1	\$2,178.88	0.5
5505 Pool Maint. & Supplies	\$1,658.72	35.2	\$8,741.50	2.2
5510 Other Maint & Supplies	\$1,591.02	33.8	\$15,175.10	3.8
5515 Kitchen Expense	\$0.00	0.0	\$1,029.64	0.3
5600 Miscellaneous Expense	\$100.00	2.1	\$742.82	0.2
6105 Workmans Comp Ins	\$617.00	13.1	\$2,540.31	0.6
6110 General Insurance	\$2,034.58	43.2	\$20,513.65	5.1
6115 Licenses & Permits	\$0.00	0.0	\$1,585.00	0.4
6120 Trash Collection	\$1,092.62	23.2	\$5,220.28	1.3
6125 Legal Expense	\$0.00	0.0	\$67.50	0.0
6150 Capital Proj Reserve Exp	\$0.00	0.0	\$20,130.49	5.0
6205 Telephone Expense	\$359.97	7.6	\$3,333.02	0.8
6210 Natural Gas Expense	\$522.56	11.1	\$31,764.29	7.9
6215 Electric	\$3,081.64	65.5	\$23,291.50	5.8
6220 Security Service	\$859.11	18.3	\$8,325.37	2.1
6225 Water & Sewer Expense	\$1,179.14	25.1	\$12,281.62	3.1
6235 Nature Walk Expense	\$0.00	0.0	\$2,242.46	0.6
6325 Property Taxes	\$23.64	0.5	\$23.64	0.0
6405 Salaries & Wages	\$10,562.65	224.4	\$110,381.93	27.4
6410 Payroll Taxes	\$889.32	18.9	\$9,298.83	2.3
6415 Payroll Processing	\$115.90	2.5	\$1,515.58	0.4
6420 Employee Benefits	(\$3.36)	0.0	(\$3.36)	0.0
6505 Sales Tax Expense	(\$1,062.46)	22.6	\$0.00	0.0
Total Expenses	\$27,371.83	582.1	\$328,871.39	81.8
TOTAL EXPENSES				
	\$27,371.83	582.1	\$328,871.39	81.8
NET INCOME (LOSS)	(\$20,520.31)	437.4	\$80,309.30	20.0

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