

IN BRIEFS

Singles Club Potluck
Tuesday, January 2nd
5:30 pm
Read Hall

Singles Club Meeting
Wednesday, January 10th and
24th
9:30 am
Read Hall

Membership Meeting
Saturday, January 20th
9:00 am
Farnsworth Hall

**Read Hall Pool Closed for
Maintenance**
Wednesday, January 10th
All Day

**Farnsworth Hall Pool
Closed for Maintenance**
Wednesday, January 17th
All Day

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Steve Malone, DVRC President

Well, 2024 has arrived. As a tradition, many will be making New Year's resolutions. For me as President of Dreamland Villa, I resolve to continue moving forward with the improvement of our community. My hopes and desires are that all of the residents of Dreamland will work together to uphold our community's values of a clean and special place to live. Most importantly, to maintain our 55+ age restriction.

I will remember 2023 as the year where patience prevailed. Looking at the accomplishments during the year, we have a new Kee card system that works, resulting in no more physical keys to open the gate at Farnsworth Pool. We saw the renovations of the pools; a new heater, roof, and AC unit replacement at Read Hall, and a new pool heater at Farnsworth. In general, I think 2023 was a year of refurbishing Dreamland Villa. The lesson learned from this is that we have to continually maintain our property. We cannot stay penny-wise and dollar-foolish.

Many of you have already renewed your membership fees for 2024 and let me say thank you. Those who have not, please renew before January 31, 2024. Your financial contribution

supports the 55+ and maintains all the amenities that Dreamland provides. Take advantage of this great offer to pay your fees and receive a coupon book to use with our surrounding community merchants. This will help support them and save you money. For those of you who are reluctant to join the Dreamland Villa facilities, I encourage you to provide a donation to retain our age-restricted 55+ community.

Later this month on January 20th at 9:00 am at Farnsworth Hall, the annual Dreamland Villa Membership Meeting will be held. The agenda will include several amendments to the Bylaws. This meeting will also include the presentation of candidates to fill two vacancies on the Dreamland Villa Board of Directors. Each candidate will be allowed to introduce themselves and answer a series of questions from the membership.

The Board of Directors will be requesting that the membership approve the sale of the Butte Street parking lot at the Farnsworth complex. A more detailed explanation for the need to sell this property is in this edition of the Citizen under the title of "Capital Expenditures" written by Ward Jennings, our Treasurer. Please read this article and those from previous Citizen issues and plan on attending the Board Study Session and the regular Board Meeting on the first and second Tuesdays in January.

The proposed amendment to Article XI

Membership and Fees may draw significant interest from the membership. The board is proposing to offer a non-voting Sponsored Associate Membership to Dreamland Villa for those who live outside its boundaries. The Sponsored Associate member means that someone from our community who is a member can sponsor a friend or family member for DVRC membership. The individual must complete an application and be approved by the board for membership. The total number of individuals who may be allowed to have a sponsored membership will be set at 50 per year. Stipulations for membership include; they are non-voting, and they may not hold office as a director, either elected or appointed. They are not entitled to bring guests to any of the Dreamland Villa amenities, activities, or facilities including the swimming pools and hot tubs.

To assist you in preparation for the January 20th meeting you may obtain a voting pamphlet from the office or the dreamlandvilla.org website. This pamphlet will provide you with the intended purpose of the changes as well as the specific language.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the January meeting, and if you have any questions beforehand please feel free to contact me at the DVRC Office at 480 832-3461, or by email at office@dreamlandvilla.org.

ABSENTEE VOTING FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Jeff Clapham

Absentee voting will take place at the DVRC office starting February 5, 2024, running until 4:00 pm February 12, 2024. Except for housebound or bedridden members, absentee voting must be completed in the DVRC office. Office hours for absentee voting will be from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, Monday through Friday, except on Monday, February 12, the office will be accessible until 4:00 pm for vote processing.



You must present your Kee card to vote.

A housebound or bedridden member may request an absentee ballot by calling the DVRC office during regular business hours. A member of the Board of Directors or the Board's designee will take an absentee ballot to the member's residence. The member will then complete the ballot, place the ballot

in the provided envelope, and seal the envelope. The Board member or designee will then return the sealed envelope to the DVRC office and place it in the absentee ballot box.

Need Additional Time?

DVRC Office

Do you need additional time to pay your membership fees to Dreamland Villa? For those of us who find it difficult to pay our membership fee in one payment, Dreamland Villa has a payment plan. The plan will allow you to select the number of payments you wish to make. To participate in the plan, either come to the Dreamland Villa office, contact us at 480- 832-3461, or email office@dreamlandvilla.org for arrangements to complete the paperwork to initiate your payments.

Annual Membership Meeting

DVRC Office

Our annual Membership Meeting will be held on Saturday, January 20th, at 9:00 am in Farnsworth Hall.

For our upcoming Board election, a voter's pamphlet containing voting items and an explanation of their intent is available in the office. You can also view it on the DVRC website www.dreamlandvilla.org.

Election Volunteers Needed

Jeff Clapham

The Board of Directors Election is to be held on Tuesday, February 13, 2024. Poll workers work two-hour shifts and are needed for two early afternoon shifts. If you would be interested in this short but important volunteer opportunity, please contact me by email at jclaphamj@gmail.com. You can also stop into the Dreamland office from 9 am to 1 pm, Monday through Friday, and let them know.



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AROUND THE VILLA

MEET THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS CANDIDATES



Heather Canterbury



Dave Warren



Beth White

Heather Canterbury

My name is Heather Canterbury. My father Jim and I moved into the community in April 2023. I chose Dreamland because it was important to me that my dad had activities available to keep him busy and to make friends since he moved from Georgia for me. I have moved 11 times between 2014 and 2022, so I did not expect to find a community here for myself as well. This has become a home, not just a residence for me.

As a general manager in the movie theatre industry, I have extensive experience in events, food & beverage,

and financials. My education is in political science and psychology. Don't worry, I will try not to get in your head! I have 3 children, 2 grandchildren, 3 kitties, and a giant German Shepherd child.

I decided to run for a position after talking to some residents and hearing some of the issues they were seeing. As a "fixer", I am hoping to lend my skill set to continue to make our community the best it can be. While I have the utmost respect for anyone wanting and willing to give their time and energy, I feel that having a different mindset is just what Dreamland needs.

Dave Warren

My name is Dave Warren, I am originally from Millbury Massachusetts. I worked for Intel Corporation for 43 years. In 2014, my wife Debbie and I transferred here because Intel closed in Massachusetts. I have a background in electronics and management, and I was a Team Leader for most of my career. We have lived here in Dreamland for 3 years. Before DVRC we lived at the Highland of Brentwood on Val Vista Ave. I was President of the community for 4 of the 5 years we lived there. Deb was the activity lady and just about every-

thing else to make everybody happy. I am running for the board to help keep DVRC 55+. I would like to get more activities scheduled in Dreamland and see more residents getting involved. I want to make this a fun and great Community to live in. I want to be involved in all decisions made in Dreamland Villa. I want to make sure all decisions are made with full Board approval.

Beth White

Hello neighbors, I am Elizabeth (Beth) White and I have lived in the Dreamland Villa Retirement Community since 2004 as a renter and owner. I retired for the first time in 2009 and again in 2014. I have experience with scheduling maintenance for a large factory. I was part owner of a small family business. I was the treasurer for my HOA in New Mexico from 2001 to 2007. My education includes course studies in accounting, computers, and physical education. Later, I received an AAS in Occupational Health and Safety, an AAS in Hazardous Material Management, and a BAS in Environmental Studies. I taught Occupational Health and Safety and Overview of Hazardous Materials for Workers for two years for the Back to Work Program in Washington State.

★ VOTE!! ★

Citizen Delivery

By Judy Goodroe

Hi Dreamland, we are asking for volunteers to deliver the Citizen newspaper.

We need a captain for route #10. Duties include receiving 210 papers you would deliver to 4 of your carriers and a small route of 37 papers you would deliver on 61st Way and 61st Place.

We also need carriers for University-52nd to 55th Place, and the west side of 54th-University to Main- which is about 65 papers.

Also needed is a carrier for 52nd to 54th on Boise & Baltimore- about 55 papers.

If anyone is interested in taking over becoming the main distributor, please let me know.

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AROUND THE VILLA

Welcome to Dreamland Villa

Are you new to Dreamland Villa as a homeowner or renter? We would like to help you become acquainted with your community. More than likely, you chose Dreamland Villa for its 55-plus Community that is safe, quiet, and the homes are well maintained. The residents of Dreamland Villa are pleased that you have selected our community for your new home.

To help you become acquainted and participate in our community activities and amenities, we would like to provide you with Kee Card(s) to access our facilities and activities for the current year.

Within the first several months of your residency in Dreamland, you will

be contacted by a Dreamland team member from our welcoming volunteers to present you with your Kee Card(s) and show our appreciation for becoming a resident in the Dreamland Villa community. This Dreamland team member will be able to answer your questions, provide you with a tour of our facilities, and encourage you to participate in our many social activities.

We know that many of our new residents are still working, so we are trying to have events and activities that take place during the evening hours or weekends. We are looking forward to helping you become an active member of the Dreamland Villa community.

We have several ways of communi-

cating with our residents. We have a newspaper called the "Citizen" which is delivered to your door, a weekly email blast providing you with all the activities taking place in the upcoming weeks, a website (<https://www.dreamlandvilla.org>), and two Facebook pages dedicated to Dreamland Villa residents. All events and activities are posted on our bulletin board at our office at 320 North 55th Place.

A great way to get acquainted is to come to the coffee socials on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month, beginning at 7:30 a.m., in Read Hall. Hope to see you soon!

Year-Round Worker's Corner

Megan Tackett

December was full of many fun events and blessings around DVRC. While

engaging some of our residents at these events, there were questions that I hope to answer here for you, and of course, if one person has the question, a lot of us have the same question and may not know what to do.

As we are a community, you do have the option to contact Maricopa County for any compliance issues you have in your neighborhood. Any homeowner in

Dreamland Villa can use this website to report violations.

<https://www.maricopa.gov/FormCenter/Regulatory-Planning-Development-15/Report-a-Code-Violation-81>

As we are aging and physical labor is difficult, if you need free labor help, the Latter-Day Saints gave me a wonderful website to request help with clearing our houses, gardening, clear-cutting

backyards, etc.

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No project is too big or too small.

Music bingo is in 20 days. There is a 100-person limit and a \$10.00 charge at the door, which opens at 3:30 pm, January 20th, at Read Hall. There will be 8 Prizes of \$40 each.

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AROUND THE VILLA



by Lew Hooser

I'm going to start this newsletter out with a heads-up to all the new and old folks in Velda Rose Estates and Dreamland Villa. There may be a misconception regarding Help Services. Help Services is not connected to either Velda Rose Estates or Dreamland Villa. We are a separate entity. What that means to you is, that anybody in either one of these communities can borrow medical devices on a loan-free basis. All that is required to borrow medical equipment is to have proof of your residency in either one of these communities. Hopefully, this will answer any of your questions regarding Help Services' operating policy.

On a personal note, there is a growing number of our friends and family members who have problems with incontinence and are unable to afford the products that help to control it. We understand this at Help Services and are ready to answer the call. We have a small inventory of incontinence products that we freely give to folks who are in need. If you are in need and can't afford this product, we can help.

This next comment is for you folks who are on the fence about becoming a monitor. We just had our annual Help Services luncheon; it was fun and outstanding! You may already know this, great monitors are our specialty!

I'm sorry I'm so redundant in the following statement. As always, we are financed solely by your generous donations, and for you, it is a tax deduction as well, it just doesn't get much better! For people who have no beneficiaries, we would love to walk you through the procedure to take you through a bequest. For more information about this or any other questions, please stop in at the Help Services office. Our hours of operation are Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, and we're now open on Saturday, 9 a.m. to Noon. Check us out on our webpage at www.HelpServicesInc.org. By the way, Gene Miller does a great job helping us with the website.

And finally, just one more thing from this newsboy, our president Patty Thorpe, and all the board members, we want to wish you folks a great New Year!

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES

by Ward Jennings, Director and Treasurer

Capital expenditures are repairs, replacements, or remodels costing more than \$2,500 with a useful life estimated to be one or more years.

From January 2015 to March 31, 2018 (39 months), an average of \$63,000 of capital expenditures each year was invested in keeping DVRC's facilities and equipment operational and in good working order.

From April 1, 2018 to July 16, 2022 (50 plus months) DVRC spent less than \$28,000 in total for capital expenditures still in use today, deferring to the second half of 2022 new investments in capital expenditures.

A list of the last 18 months of repairs, replacements, or remodeling costing \$220,000 is attached to the December 31, 2023 financial statements, Digital Library, DreamlandVilla.org. As a result of these capital improvements, money market funds have decreased to \$137,000. (Note: \$205,000 of the money market funds was from non-recurring sources: \$62,000 from the estate of a former member and \$143,000 (after taxes) from the sale of the former library.)

In addition to funding capital expenditures, the money market (capital reserve) funds may be needed to supplement recurring operating revenue if the 2024 annual fee income is not sufficient

to cover DVRC's recurring operating expenses.

The maintenance staff estimates that DVRC will need to spend an additional \$216,000 for capital expenditures over the next five years. (See 2024 Budgets in the Digital Library, DreamlandVilla.org.)

However, DVRC only has \$137,000 available in its money market account. Therefore, the Board of Directors is being proactive by asking the membership to approve the sale of a residential Butte Street lot, with proceeds to be deposited into the money market account. (See page 1. September 2023 Citizen to view the "South lot" off of Butte Street.)

BOOK REVIEW

By Anita Thompson

Sins of the Fathers by J.A. Jance

This book is about J.P. Beaumont, a former Seattle homicide cop who has retired but then got his private investigator's license. It was his wife's idea, she knew someday someone would need his help and she was right. A long-ago acquaintance Alan Dale shows up on their doorstep with his infant granddaughter. His drug-addicted daughter has walked out of the hospital after giving birth, abandoning the baby. Alan wants to take the baby back home to Texas but can't until the daughter relinquishes her parental rights. She has to be found. Alan also has no money and no place to live in Seattle!

In an interesting twist, it is discovered that the daughter Alan thought was his is not his biological child. Also intriguing, the baby's dad disappeared and was then found dead. How to solve all these issues is a very interesting read. It's a page-turner that I couldn't put down. Once again Jance has done a great job of holding my attention and keeping me wondering what the next page will reveal. No matter how fast you run, you can't get away from your past and what you have done.



Book Club

By Anita Thompson

Our next book club meeting is January 11th at 3 pm at Anita's. If you want more information, please give her a call at 612-819-1112. We will be discussing the books "The Rosie Project" by Graeme C Simsion, and "Crocodile on the Sandbank", by Elizabeth Peters.

We meet outside on the patio, so if it's cool remember to bring a jacket, and also your own water or whatever you want to drink. It's usually a great discussion, plus visiting and catching up with what's going on with each other. Everyone is welcome.

BUNCO

By Linda Herreman

We play Bunco on the 2nd Wednesday of the month in Read Hall from 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm.

We have moved Friday night Bunco to an earlier start time to finish earlier.

Starting Friday, December 29th, we will meet from 6:00 pm to 8:30. We

will meet in Read Hall the last Friday of each month for the winter season of 2023/2024.

Come join us, the cost is \$3 to play. Please bring your Kee card. You must be a member or a guest of your household or a guest from outside the Dreamland community boundaries to participate. The funds go into the prizes. Everyone goes home a winner.

We have 2 new leaders this sea-

son. Please support Sharon & Florence as they lead this fun activity, and help them grow our BUNCO. Please spread the word.

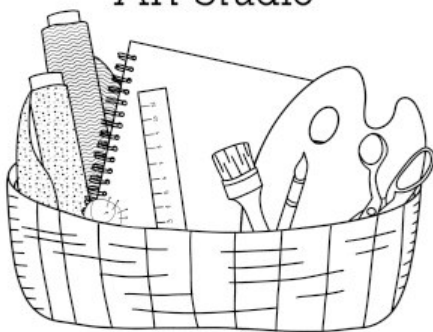
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AROUND THE VILLA

Desert Walkers

By Pat Dinsmore

The Desert Walkers gathered on December 1st to plan for the 2023-2024 winter season. We added a few new members to our group. The tentative walking schedule for the season is as follows:

- December 15th** - Riparian Preserve at Water Ranch on Guadalupe off Greenfield
- January 5th** - Hawes Trail, East side, Andrea leader, we plan to go to a restaurant
- January 19th** - Kiwanis Park, Mill Road & Baseline, Jean and Pat leaders, picnic lunch
- February 2nd** - Veterans Oasis at Lindsey & Chandler Heights Rd, Andrea leader, picnic lunch
- February 16th** - Chaparral Park, 5401 Hayden Rd Scottsdale, Anita leader, lunch at a restaurant
- March 1st** - Coon Bluff to the River, Andrea leader, lunch at a restaurant
- March 15th** - Tempe Town Lake, Marilyn leader, lunch at Perfect Pear Bistro
- March 22nd** - Boyce Thompson Arboretum, Cathy, Bonnie & Janet, leaders, picnic lunch



Our walks are not too strenuous, typically 2-3 miles, stopping to enjoy the scenery and to socialize. We meet at the west end of the Farnsworth Hall parking lot at 9:00 a.m. to carpool. Be prepared to pay your driver \$2-\$4 depending on distance and an entrance fee if applicable. Wear comfortable shoes and a hat; you might want a walking stick, water, a snack, and your lunch if we picnic. I will typically send out an email a few days before each walk as a reminder. We always welcome new members and ideas. Feel free to contact me at pedinsmore@hotmail.com if you have any questions or concerns.

NATURE TRAIL

By Mel Brown

The hot summer is over and cooler weather is here, it's the perfect time to enjoy the nature trail. During the summer one of the benches was rebuilt and painted. The DVRC wood shop made all new slats and put the bench back together, so big thanks go out to those guys. There is now an email for the nature trail, it is DLVnaturetrail@gmail.com. I would like to get your ideas for improving the trail and if any places could be a safety issue. This will help to plan some work days and determine the priority of the work, The ideas will also help explain to the grant writers what to identify and what to ask for in the grants.

Winter is here, and with cooler days come morning dew and some rain. That means the stinknet seeds that are not killed by the pre-emergent will start to sprout. To control this invasive weed we are going to need to hoe, pull, or cut the plant off before it starts to flower. First, it needs to grow enough to be identified from the desert plants. Volunteers will be needed when the time comes to work on controlling stinknet on the nature trail. Watch for information in the Citizen and on the DVRC news blast about what help will be needed when and where. If you would like to help on the nature trail, you can send your name and phone number to the nature trail email at DLVnaturetrail@gmail.com.



Holiday Craft Fair

By Lu Wald

Another big Craft Fair is behind us and wasn't it amazing! The beautiful variety of canopies and colorful tables just made you stop and take a look. We had over 50 vendors eager to sell their wares in the outdoor sunshine and indoor spaces that took on such a holiday feel. So many shoppers walked away with delicious baked goods, ideal Christmas gifts, and probably some very useful things for themselves. We thank all of the shoppers!

Most of all, we thank the vendors, the volunteers, and everyone who made it such a festive and fun day. Our volunteers were there to create and post signs, help park cars, check in vendors, and provide help where needed. Some hardworking volunteers made hotdogs and provided drinks for all and many of us walked away with a bag of kettle corn to enjoy later. I want to thank Jeff and his crew, plus volunteers, who set up those tables around the campus and then had to take them down again! Just know that we really, really appreciate you! So many wonderful volunteers! That's what our community is all about, and it makes me so proud

to be a part of it!!

The volunteer musicians also added so much to make it festive and spirited, putting us in a Christmas mood. Maybe somehow, we can come up with a way to direct that music into the inside as well as the canopy areas.

Julie Rickli and Rural Metro provided us with cases of water which helped us out so we could provide vendors with water and was also sold at the food and beverage booth. All of the proceeds from that booth were donated to the nature trail to help eradicate the dreaded stinknet weed that is infringing on the desert plants.

Because I feel 3 years of doing this is enough and we need some new ideas, I hope we can find folks to step up and coordinate another Holiday Craft Fair in 2024. You don't need to be a crafter to chair this committee, just a computer and a desire to work with a large variety of vendors and volunteers who are so kind and so accommodating! Again, thank you to all who worked with our committee this year to make it a great event! Hurray for Dreamland!!

Minnesota Potluck

by Andrea Hill

Happy New Year Minnesotans, already? What are your resolutions? To come to more of our potlucks I hope. Make that one of them! There are only three left this winter.

Our potlucks are held at Read Hall on the second Thursday of each month. The January potluck will be at Read Hall on Thursday, January 11. Doors open at 5:15 pm and we eat at 5:30 pm. Bring a dish (with food in it) to serve eight to ten people, your plate, and eating utensils. You may bring your own drink if you like but coffee and tea will be provided. There are some soft drinks in the kitchen fridge for a dollar donation. There is even an icemaker. Wow. Talk about "uptown."



POSSE CORNER

By Joseph Favazzo

Happy New Year...and let's make it a safe year! It's important to follow parking rules and take precautions to protect your vehicle and belongings. Here are some tips:

Parking Close to the Curb: When parking on the street, always ensure that your vehicle is parked within 18 inches of the curb and right wheels to the curb. This is a legal requirement to allow for the smooth flow of traffic and to prevent obstruction.

Avoid Street Parking: If possible, park in a driveway or a designated parking area. Street parking can expose your vehicle to higher risks of damage, theft, and accidents.

Lock Your Vehicle: Lock your vehicle when you leave it, even if you're only stepping away for a short time. This basic security measure can deter potential thieves.

Hide Valuables: Avoid leaving valuable items in plain sight inside your vehicle. Items like electronics, bags, loose change, bills, or other personal belongings can be tempting to thieves. Stow them in the trunk or out of sight.

Secure Tailgate: If you have a pickup truck, lock the tailgate. Tailgates are high theft items, locking them can prevent this.

Use Additional Security Measures: Consider using additional security measures, such as steering wheel locks or alarm systems to make your vehicle less attractive to thieves.

By following these guidelines, you can reduce the risk of theft and ensure that you comply with parking regulations. It's important to be a responsible and considerate driver to contribute to the safety and orderliness of your community.



Attention Pickleball Enthusiasts!

Calling all men to join Dreamland Villa Pickleball starting in January, Tuesday evenings from 6:00 - 8:00 pm at the Read Hall campus Pickleball courts.

Get ready for some exciting Pickleball action exclusively for men! Whether you are a seasoned player, or a beginner, come and enjoy a fun filled time on the court. Bring your A-game and make new friends in the Pickleball community.

Don't miss out on the fun! For more information contact Peter at 480 229-0180. See you on the courts!

Dreamland Villa Golf League

By Lu Wald

Our golf league is happily up and running at our new location! Although not all of our members have found their way back to the area, there has been a fairly large group meeting each week. We generally tee off around 2:30 pm, and we do welcome newcomers. However, you must contact our t-time coordinator at koeniglana@yahoo.com in advance if you plan to play. We mix it up a bit with a different scramble once each month. For most of February, we conduct the tournament for which prizes are awarded at our final gathering in March. On January 19th, we will be hosting our mid-winter luncheon at Fat Willy's, starting at noon. If you plan to come and haven't signed up at the golf course, please text 862-485-1335 to let us know.



Acts of Kindness Card Program

DVRC Social Committee would like your help in reaching out to those who have suffered a loss, are dealing with an illness, or recovering from a surgery.

There is a fill-out slip in the office where you can add a name and address of someone to whom we can send a card. Then place the slip of paper in the Acts of Kindness box. We promise to send a card if you let us know the need! Lastly, if you have any of the *Get Well* and *Sympathy* greeting cards that you're not using, we would gladly take them off your hands and put them to good use.

Thank you for your support.



FROM THE BOARD

Dreamland Villa Retirement Community Board of Directors Meeting MINUTES

December 12, 2023, 9:30 AM, Read Hall

Welcome: Steve Malone, President

General Announcements: Steve mentioned the Mingle Jingle was successful, Barleen's dinner show 12/16, the Annual Membership Meeting 1/20/24, a Neighborhood Watch meeting and Ice Cream Social 2/4/24 and Sock Hop 3/16/24.

Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order: Steve Malone, President

Roll Call: Joyce Canino, Secretary. Directors: Steve Malone, Ward Jennings, Dan Martens, Kevin Brueback, Wendell (Sonny) Allison and Joyce Canino. All Directors were present with the exception of Betty Mazza, excused absence.

Ratification of Minutes: The Directors ratified the November 14, 2023, Board of Director's meeting minutes and December 5, 2023, Study Session minutes.

Treasurer's Report: Ward stated since November, more Transfer and Disclosures fees have been received than any other year. Without those fees and T2's income we would

have a negative cash flow. Discussion on a CD ending 12/24/2023 and it will be rolled over into a six-month CD.

Office Manager and Standing Committee Reports: Reports are available in the office upon request.

OLD BUSINESS:

Membership Renewal: Reviewed the option of a payment plan for dues and discussed the fees associated with it. No revisions to Policy & Procedures as this is an Office SOP.

Nominating Committee: Jeff Clapham stated there are 4 candidates running for 2 Board positions with a deadline of December 29 if anyone would like to add their name. Bios and pictures have been submitted to the Citizen for January publication and will also be in the February edition. Election day is Tuesday, February 13, 2024, 8am-7pm. Absentee Ballots will be available in the office beginning February 5th through 4pm on the 12th. (After the meeting it was learned that one of the four candidates has dropped out.)

2024 Budget: Ward made a motion to approve the proposed 2024 budget; Kevin seconded, and it passed unanimously.

Music Bingo: Ward made a motion to approve the proposed budget for Music Bingo on January 20, 2024; Dan second and passed unanimously.

Nature Trail: Ward presented the Board and Mel Brown with a transaction report detailing donations and expenses as of today. Mel stated they have researched grants and will be applying for grants to help with the maintenance of the eradication of the Stinknet weed. In the next couple of months, there will be a need for volunteers to help remove the dead weeds and general clean up the trail. Mel has set up an email for the trail to report overgrowth, repair of benches, etc. ~ dlvnaturetrail@gmail.com

NEW BUSINESS:

Policy and Procedures: The directors provided their unanimous advice and consent for Steve to appoint Kevin Brueback as the new Chairperson and Amy Foster as the Vice Chairperson for the Policy & Procedure Committee.

Summer Board Meetings: Steve moved to forward a motion for the Members to vote at the Annual Membership Meeting, an amendment to Article V, BOARD OF DIRECTORS, Section 5: A member of the Board must be available for all Board Meetings from October-May and Article VII, MEETINGS, Section 4: Board Meetings shall be held in the second week of each month (except June, July, August and September); Dan seconded and it passed unanimously.

Taxes and IRS: Sonny made a motion to not pay and wait until the IRS additional 60 days extension review of our request for abatement of the \$11,837.37; Dan seconded and passed unanimously.

(Board of Directors takes this action based on advice of the CPA who prepared the tax return in question.)

Butte Street Property: Dan made a motion to move the sale of the vacant Butte Street lot for a vote of the Members at the January 20, 2024, Annual Meeting; Sonny seconded and passed unanimously. Ward stated the property will be listed and sold for the maximum possible and no low ball offers will be considered.

Members Annual Meeting: A summary of items being presented for voting, January 20, 2024, will be on the website for review.

Adjourn: 11:07

Submitted by: Joyce Canino, Secretary
Open Forum

Dreamland Villa Retirement Community Profit and Loss YTD Comparison November 2023

	Nov 2023	Jan - Nov, 2023 (YTD)
Income		
4000 Annual Fee Revenue	741.77	303,912.54
4001 55+ Donation Income	2,050.00	10,840.60
4003 Donations - Unrestricted	1,760.00	3,535.29
4101 Read Hall Event/Kitchen Income	37.00	778.71
4102 Special Events Revenue	2,590.00	21,267.91
4208 Entertainment-TAD	5,162.94	56,609.43
4300 Administrative Related Income	7,708.50	98,659.65
4400 Restricted Accounts Income	601.00	1,506.00
4502 Interest Earned	331.39	2,922.46
4503 Crown Castle Lease Income	1,200.00	13,200.00
Services		0.00
Total Income	\$ 22,182.60	\$ 513,232.59
Gross Profit	\$ 22,182.60	\$ 513,232.59
Expenses		
5001 55+ Compliance Expense	131.02	1,822.49
5300 Admin & Office Expenses	3,323.97	41,526.67
5350 Membership Marketing Expense	4,234.72	8,008.85
5400 Restricted Accounts Expense	1,410.00	2,292.84
5501.5 Income Tax Expense	60.44	11,052.66
5900 Insurance		53,703.40
5950 Read Hall Expenses	2,058.39	9,828.26
6201 Bldg & Grounds Maintenance	687.92	19,020.81
6300 Swimming Pools Expenses	4,112.87	70,470.18
6400 Utilities	5,335.80	54,189.13
7000 Payroll & Related Expenses	14,312.16	183,259.05
Total Expenses	\$ 35,667.29	\$ 455,174.34
Net Operating Income	-\$ 13,484.69	\$ 58,058.25
Other Income		
1255 Loss on Retirement of Assets		-7,524.00
Total Other Income	\$ 0.00	-\$ 7,524.00
Net Other Income	\$ 0.00	-\$ 7,524.00
Net Income	-\$ 13,484.69	\$ 50,534.25

OCTOBER 2023 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The detailed November 2023 monthly and YTD Profit and Loss Statement, Balance Sheet, and supplemental schedules for money market activity and changes in fixed assets are shown on the website, DreamlandVilla.org, Digital Library, Financial Reports.

NOTE: the financial statement footnotes are an integral part of the monthly financial statements. Financial statements are prepared under the supervision of Ward Jennings, Director and Treasurer

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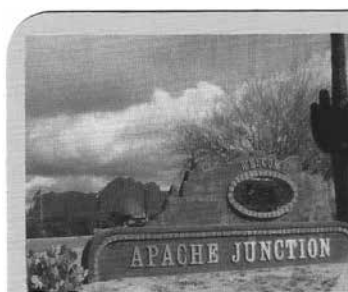


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Veterans Coffee Hour

Every second Monday of the Month
January 8, 2024, 9:00 am Read Hall

Please join us for some time of fellowship and friendship with other sister and brother Veterans. Spouses are also invited.

Our guest will be Rick Kreiberg, Founder and Executive Director of the nonprofit Veterans Affinity. Rick is a Command Sergeant Major US Army (Retired). He is very well regarded in the community and Arizona as committed and compassionate for Veterans and their Families. This event is open to all residents, members, and nonmembers.

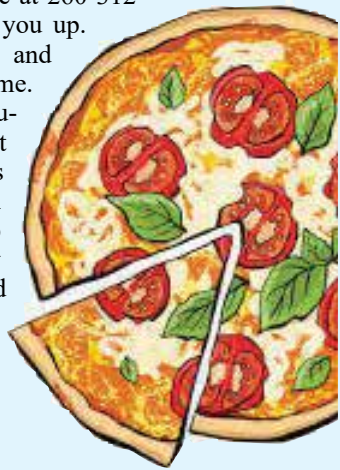
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Organ Stop Update

Lynda Leix

The annual outing to Organ Stop Pizza will be on Thursday, Feb. 29. We will meet in the Organ Stop parking lot at 10:30 am. Doors will open at 10:45, and the musical program will start at 11:00 am. The price this year is \$10 and includes a prepared salad, a pizza buffet, and the music program. Drinks and dessert are on your own. The music program includes a virtual tour of the organ. There will be a sign-up sheet in the office, or you can call me at 260-312-0882 and I will sign you up. Dreamland members and their guests are welcome. We will pay at the restaurant. We do need at least 100 people to enjoy this special program. Organ Stop uses the sign-up sheet to figure out how much food to fix and how much staff to have present. So- if you sign up, please show up.




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Ceramics In The Villa

By Barb Shelton

HAPPY NEW YEAR! My name is Barb Shelton and I'm the new Ceramic teacher for CERAMICS IN THE VILLA. Ceramics have been my past time for the last 10 years. As a member of IADCCT dba IAC (INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION of CERAMICISTS) I have been a certified ceramic teacher for over 6 years. It has been a pleasure taking classes every month via Zoom with renowned ceramicist David Hoff who has been in the ceramic industry for over 60 years. In the meantime, my mom and I do ceramics in our home as we have our kiln to fire our pieces.

Enough about me, I am anxious to meet everyone who is an active member of ceramics and anyone interested in learning all about ceramics and how to paint and glaze pieces. We have many bisque pieces in the classroom for sale.

You may have noticed I have changed the name of our ceramics club to "CERAMICS IN THE VILLA". As I am a new teacher to DVRC with a fresh start I thought a new name was in order.

Ceramics in the Villa classes will be held on Tuesdays, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, and again on Thursdays from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm. If there is enough interest, hopefully, we will add a Sunday afternoon class to the agenda soon, so continue to follow my article in the Citizen.

So, if Ceramics is your thing, I look forward to seeing you at Ceramics in the Villa, at the Read Hall Complex in Room R-8. If Ceramics isn't your thing, stop by anyhow, I love meeting all my "friends and neighbors" in the Villa.

FUSED GLASS

by David Senke

Happy New Year. Well, one more year and we are still here. Fused Glass has been a great art form for older adults to get out and try something different. We have taught many people over the years. If you are not sure what Fused Glass is, it is cutting and shaping glass and then melting it in a kiln.

Someone is in Fused Glass teaching others the process any hour the shop is open. You are welcome to come in to learn the process or just to check out the latest Dreamland gossip.

Hours of operation are Monday and Wednesday from 9:30 am to 12:00 noon and 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. Monday nights we are open from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Additional hours may be posted in the studio window.



by Kay Hawbaker

The next General Meeting will be held at 10:00 am on January 17, 2024, in Read Hall. This will be an informal meeting to share updated information about cell phones and phone security. Hopefully, you will come and share information about what works with your device.

Please join us.

DREAMLAND VILLA SINGLES CLUB

By: Lu Wald

Happy New Year to one and all! We kicked off the month with a busy schedule. We enjoyed lunch at Jason's Deli in Gilbert on the 1st, followed by many members stepping up to help at the Craft Fair on the 2nd, and a relaxing concert by the Chandler Symphony on the 3rd. On December 5th we gathered at Read Hall for our annual Christmas party, and I do believe we all had a great evening. On the 9th, some of us went to the Hale Theater in Gilbert for a beautiful play called The Christmas Carol while the rest of us had fun at the Mingle Jingle at Read Hall. On the 13th, we enjoyed a nice dinner at Cracker Barrel and a nice social evening.

January will start us off with a potluck on the 2nd, lunch at JJ Madison on the 12th and a day of sightseeing at Western Spirit, and probably lunch, on the 17th. We'll be carpooling so meet up at the parking lot behind the pool

at 9:00 am. This month's Hale Theater event will be See How They Run on the 20th. We're carpooling to the Golden Gate Chinese restaurant on the 22nd for dinner; remember to sign up beforehand so we can make appropriate reservations. Some of us will attend a Neil Diamond Tribute at the Chandler Symphony on the 28th; we're carpooling at 1:45 and the cost will be \$40. At our meeting on the 10th at 9:30, we will be installing new officers, so plan to attend. If you have any questions or suggestions for improvement, please contact us via email at singles@dreamlandvilla.org, or come to a meeting on either the 2nd or 4th Wednesday of the month. You certainly can join us at a potluck to learn more about our club as well. The Dreamland Singles Club has been around since 1991 and has changed in many ways, so changing to include more working singles is certainly open for discussion.



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DREAMLAND BOWLING LEAGUE

By Andrea Hill

Winter Bowling League is in full swing. Get it? Come and join us at 2:30 pm at East Mesa Lanes on Broadway just east of Ellsworth. The cost is \$13 and we'd love to have you.

Folks in our league can live in other communities so if you have friends who want to bowl but don't live in Dreamland, tell them to give Cyndy Munday a call at 425-218-1105.

She is full of information and can answer nearly every question. However, she has no clue as to why some of us can bowl one terrific in one game then the next one is awful. It's just the way the ball rolls.

TOP MEN bowlers for November

- (Scores over 170)
- Jack Cregar 170
- Dan Jenkins 194, 177, 175, 266, 247, 186
- Dan Griffiths 170
- Wayne Herriman 189
- Ted Modjeski 187
- Dave Cutler 174
- Steve Pena 194, 175, 172, 188, 223, 214
- Kevin Todd 207, 220
- Jerry Cole 171, 197, 180
- Roger Kaufman 177, 190, 179, 190
- Dave Nelson 210, 236, 220
- Brian Wheeler 174
- Said Yaffar 184, 200, 178, 189, 191

TOP WOMEN bowlers for November

- (Scores over 150)
- Cyn Munday 155, 157,

- Tess Debonis 202, 179, 182, 176, 157
- Judy Schulster 166, 178, 165, 173, 151, 156
- Jennifer Roberts 172
- Andrea Hill 182, 179, 168
- Denise Johnson 173, 170, 160, 156, 154
- Cindy Marking 158
- Sara Kempke 159, 173, 160, 167
- Darlene Poynter 156
- Cindy Pena 175, 167, 184, 159, 216
- Anne Griffiths 168

November split-hitters: Jerry Cole, 3-6-7-10, 3-10; Jack Cregar, 5-7, 3-10, 3-10; Cindy Pena, 6-8-10, 6-10; Lois DeLong, 3-10, 3-9-10; Jan Sahler 5-8-10; Roger Kaufman 3-10; Kevin Todd 3-10, 5-7; Nancy Cole 5-10; Dan Jenkins 6-7, 2-7, 9-10; Denise Johnson 2-10; Dave Cutler 4-7-9; Said Yaffar 3-10, 4-5, 4-7-9; Judy Schulster 3-10, 3-10, 5-10



Dreamland Quilting Club

by Becky Lamson

Our photo is a quilt made by member Jonnelle Bitterman. It will be donated to one of our charities this year.

On December 2nd our club participated in the Craft Fair.

It was a productive year for the quilters. We donated 9 quilts to St Vincent for needy families at Christmas, 38 quilts to Helen's Hope Chest for Foster Children, and 32 quilts to the Veterans.

We will NOT meet on January 4th, so our first meeting in January will be on the 11th. We will continue our winter schedule of meeting weekly on Thursdays from 1:00 to 4:00 pm at Read Hall through May.

At our Jan 11th meeting we will have an election of officers. On the third Thursday of each month is our special project meeting with a different member in charge that day. The project is usually something that can be finished during that meeting. At the other meetings, you're welcome to work piecing or binding on a club quilt or you can work on one of your unfinished projects. We always welcome your show-and-tell items.

New members are always welcome. If you have questions, please give me a call at 480-202-7003, or email me at beckyNleslie@gmail.com.

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WET PAINT

By Alicia Short

COMING SOON...CRAFT CLASSES

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Friday, January 12	Cork Magnets	9:30 am	Kay Nordberg
Saturday, January 12	Air Dry Clay	9:30 am	Alicia Short
Saturday, January 20	Painted Paper Paintings	9:00 am-4:00 pm	Alicia Short
Saturday, January 27	Needle Felting Picture	9:30 am	Kay Nordberg
Saturday, February 3	Paper Napkin collage	9:30 am	Alicia Short
Saturday, February 10	Cork Magnets	9:30 am	Kay Nordberg
Friday, February 16	Sip and Craft – painted pots	6:00 pm- 8:00 pm	Kay Nordberg & Alicia Short

Look in the upcoming events email blast and on the DVRC website for details.

ANY MEDIA – TUESDAY AFTER-NOONS, 1:00 pm -3:30 pm. Beginning JANUARY 9th.

Any media, acrylics, watercolor, pastels... whatever medium you wish to paint in. Alicia will help you with your work. Sorry, no oils in this class due to allergies to odors. This class runs for 5 weeks. A fee of \$30 will be charged. Contact info below.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS – OPEN PAINTING. Open painting beginning JANUARY 10TH. Paint on your own, no instructions, no cost. 1:00 pm – 3:30 pm

SATURDAY, JAN 12 - CORK MAGNETS BY KAY NORDBERG Join us in making Cork Magnets!!!!!! Imagine a 1-1/2-hour class to just relax and enjoy starting at 9:30 am till 11:00 am. Everyone will be able to make 5 magnets, and designs/suggestions will be available.....So join in the fun, make them to keep or give as stocking stuffers. All supplies will be provided...The cost for this crafty-time is only \$25. Contact Alicia at aliciamshort01@gmail.com

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17- SILK FLOWER ARRANGING – Part 1 – 10:00

am- CINDY MILLER In the first class, you will receive the basics of silk arrangements. The different types, the equipment needed, and the containers. In the second class, you will construct the arrangement. By the end of the class, you will have the basic knowledge of how to select florals, prepare the florals and the container, and how to construct a floral arrangement. Cost is \$20

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20TH – PAINTED PAPER PAINTINGS WORKSHOP – 9:00 am till about 4:00 pm. \$30 for materials. For information on supplies, please contact Alicia. This is a fun way to create a unique piece of art.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27- NEEDLE FELTING BY KAY NORDBERG This beginner's class is a 2-½ hour needle-felting class. So, join us for some fun, the cost is \$35... All supplies are included.

JANUARY CLASS SCHEDULE – REGISTRATION ON JANUARY 5 – 9:00 am -11:30 am.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31 (December)	1	2 Board Study Session 9:30AM - Poker 5:30PM -	3 Senior Tech Computer Class 10:00AM - 12:00AM	4	5	6
7 Private Event 12:00PM - 4:00PM	8 Veterans Coffee Hour 9:00AM -	9 Board Meeting 9:30AM - Poker 5:30PM -	10 Singles Meetings 9:30AM - Senior Tech Computer Class 10:00AM - 12:00AM Bunco 1:00PM -	11 Quilting Club 1:00PM - 4:00PM Minnesota Potluck 5:00PM -	12	13 Coffee Social 7:30AM - 9:00AM
14 Private Event 12:00PM - 3:00PM	15	16 Poker 5:30PM -	17 Senior Tech Computer Class 10:00AM - 12:00PM	18 Quilting Club 1:00PM - 4:00PM Community Potluck 5:00PM -	19	20 Membership Meeting 9:00 am Farnsworth Hall Musical Bingo 4:00 pm
21	22	23 Casino Trip 8:30AM - 3:00PM Poker 5:30PM -	24 Singles Meetings 9:30AM - Senior Tech Computer Class 10:00AM - 12:00AM	25 Quilting Club 1:00PM - 4:00PM	26 Bunco 6:00PM -	27 Coffee Social 7:30AM - 9:00AM
28	29	30 Poker 5:30PM -	31 Senior Tech Computer Class 10:00AM - 12:00AM	1 (February) Quilting Club 1:00PM - 4:00PM	2	3

January Weekly Activities

DAILY EVENTS	MONDAY AM	TUESDAY AM	WEDNESDAY AM	THURSDAY AM	FRIDAY AM	SATURDAY AM
	Lapidary 8:00 - 11:30 R-6 Pickleball 8:00 R-O Help Services 9:00 - Noon HS Wood Shop 9:00 - 11:30 R-10 Fused Glass 9:30 - Noon R-7	Aquacise Class 8:00 - 8:45 R-O Lapidary 9:00 - 11:30 R-6 Bocce Ball 9:00 - 11:00 F-O Fun Time Ceramics 9:00 - 3:00 R-7 Wood Shop 9:00 - 11:30 R-10	Lapidary 8:00 - 11:30 R-6 Pickleball 8:00 R-O Help Services 9:00 - Noon HS Wood Shop 9:00 - 11:30 R-10 Fused Glass 9:30 - Noon R-7	Aquacise Class 8:00 - 8:45 R-O Lapidary 8:00 - 11:30 R-6 Bocce Ball 9:00 F-O Fun Time Ceramics 9:00 - Noon R-7 Wood Shop 9:00 - 11:30 R-10 Card Bingo 10:30 - Noon R	Aquacise Class 8:00 - 8:45 R-O Lapidary 8:00 - 11:30 R-6 Pickleball 8:00 R-O Help Services 9:00 - Noon HS Wood Shop 9:00 - 11:30 R-10 Nickel Poker 10:00 - 2:00 R-8	Bocce Ball 9:00 F-O Wood Shop 9:00 - 11:30 R-10
	MONDAY PM	TUESDAY PM	WEDNESDAY PM	THURSDAY PM	FRIDAY PM	SATURDAY PM
	Cards Hand, Foot and Toe 1:00 - 4:00 R-A Fused Glass 1:00 - 3:30 R-7 Wood Shop 6:00 R-10 Fused Glass 6:00 R-A Pinochle	Cards Bridge 1:00 - 4:00 R-A Cards Hand, Foot and Toe 1:00 - 4:00 R-A Singles Cards 1:00 - 3:30 R-10 Woodshop 6:00 R-8 Texas Hold' Em	Cards - Euchre 1:00 - 4:00 R-A Cards - Whist 1:00 - 4:00 R-8 Fused Glass 1:00 - 3:00 R-7 Open Painting 1:00 R-5 Woodshop 1:00 - 3:30 R-10 Card Bingo 6:00 R	Cards 500 1:00 R-A Quilting Club 1:00 - 4:00 R Woodshop 1:00 - 3:30 R-10 Ladies Golf 2:00 O Cards Hand, Foot and Toe 6:00 - 8:00 R-O Pickleball	Cards - Cribbage 1:00 R-B Woodshop 1:00 - 3:30 R-10 Bowling 3:00 O Cards Hand, Foot and Toe 6:00 - 8:00 R-A	Cards - Pinochle 1:00 R-B

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