



BRIEFS

Singles Club Christmas Party

Tuesday, December 5th
4:00 pm

Singles Club Meeting

Wednesday, December 13th and 27th
9:30 am
Read Hall

Holiday Mingle and Jingle

Saturday, December 9th
5:30 pm
Read Hall

Read Hall Pool Closed for Maintenance

Wednesday, December 13th
All Day

Farnsworth Hall Pool Closed for Maintenance

Wednesday, December 20th
All Day



Membership

By the time of this publication, you should have received the 2024 membership letter and affidavit form. These were hand-delivered by volunteers during the last weeks of November and early December. The affidavit forms need to be completed and returned to the office by every resident in order to maintain the 55+ status. Your dues may be paid in cash, check, or credit card. The office will be open during its regular hours, Monday through Friday, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. To assist the office staff, the marketing committee will be available in the former Posse office from 9:00 am-1:00 pm Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday through December 22nd, and from January 3rd through the 31st to receive cash or check payments. In ad-

dition, they will be at the December 2nd Craft Fair. Only office staff can accept credit card payments. You can give your card number over the phone or pay with a credit card in person. (It is important to note that the 3% fee Dreamland Villa is charged for credit will be added to your fee.) To make the dues easier to pay, Dreamland Villa is now allowing monthly, quarterly, and semi-annual payments in addition to the annual payment. If you prefer to break down your payments, simply go to the office and register your bank with the staff. The fees will automatically be withdrawn at the times you specify.

The Marketing Committee wants to thank you for paying your fee and give some incentive to those people who haven't been paying. Therefore, each resident who pays their annual fee will receive a coupon book. The total value

of the approximately 40 coupons is easily over \$200. They come from a large variety of high-quality, local small businesses, including restaurants, retail, entertainment, and personal services. We think you will enjoy using the coupons to support small businesses in our area AND support Dreamland Villa Retirement Community too. As you use the coupons, be sure to say thank you to our merchants. If you pay in person, you can collect your coupon book at the time of payment. If you pay by mail, you will need to go to the office to collect your coupon book(s).

But wait! There's more! The name of every resident who pays their dues before the annual meeting on January 20th will be entered into a drawing for several gift card prizes, to be awarded at the meeting.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Steve Malone

Saturday, November 4th a Special Membership meeting was attended by over 226 members of our community and both items received support from the membership. The annual membership fee was increased to \$250 with a vote of 179 to 43. The amendment to the bylaws relating to the transfer fees was approved with a vote of 198 to 20.

The approval of the fee increase will allow the Board of Directors to provide financial security for the fiscal year 2024. In addition, it will allow for the replenishment of the capital reserve fund used to maintain our facilities.

It is understandable that many may not be able to make such a large payment all at once. The Board has provided for semiannu-

al, quarterly, or monthly payments by use of auto-pay from your bank. The office has a form you can take to your banking institution and authorize them to make the payments from your account to Dreamland Villa on the payment plan you desire.

As the President of Dreamland Villa Retirement Community, I believe this session made it perfectly clear that all residents of Dreamland Villa should contribute to support the continuing effort to maintain our 55-plus age-restricted status. The consensus of the attendees was that all residents of Dreamland Villa value the fact that our community is 55-plus, our streets are clean and safe, and our community is friendly.

To maintain this value, we must

ensure that realtors, brokers, and title companies are aware of the declarations of restrictions of each of our 18 sections of Dreamland Villa. To verify this, it requires that we have age affidavits renewed on a biennial basis to present to the Maricopa County Department of Planning and Development. These efforts require financial resources and today those finances have come from the members who pay the membership fee. Those fees not only retain the 55-plus but also the other activities and amenities that Dreamland Villa offers.

The members of Dreamland Villa incorporated would like to see those residents of Dreamland who are not members of the corporation contribute to the maintenance of the 55-plus age restriction ex-

pense. One possible way to achieve this could be the establishment of a multi-tier membership. The initial level would represent all residents of the community supporting the funding for the 55-plus program being the standard membership, and an increased level of membership would access the amenities and facilities of the corporation.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I want to thank everyone for their participation in the Saturday, November 4th Special Membership meeting. I remind you that Dreamland Villa is our community, and each resident must play an active role in its success. The success of Dreamland Villa is dependent upon each of us.

THE IRS AND DREAMLAND VILLA

by Ward Jennings, Treasurer

When Dreamland Villa was initially chartered, the IRS designated it as a 501(c)(7) nonprofit corporation. Until December 2021, its revenue has been tax-exempt since the revenue was from its members.

Two events in December 2021 changed DVRC's relationship with the IRS.

First, DVRC leased Farnsworth Hall to T2 Presents, LLC. The lease payments are considered by the IRS to be unrelated business income, therefore taxable rev-

enue received from sources other than DVRC's members.

Secondly, DVRC incurred a tax liability when the former library building was sold for \$175,000.

What changed?

First, DVRC is now required to pay QUARTERLY estimated taxes on the taxable income, not later than the 15th of the month following the end of the quarter.

Second, DVRC is now required to file an additional tax return, IRS Form 990-T.

Third, the IRS allows DVRC to deduct legitimate expenses incurred to generate the unrelated business income, resulting in a lower tax liability.

DVRC has another challenge: Governing documents need to be revised to meet the IRS 501(c)(7) nonprofit requirements demonstrating that the corporation is organized for the social and recreational benefit of its members and is not providing prohibited services and benefits. This issue shall be addressed at the 2024 annual

membership meeting.

Dreamland Villa's financial statements are posted in detail at dreamlandvilla.org, Digital Library, Financial Reports. Please take a few moments each month and read the FOOTNOTES.

1 The State of Arizona chartered the corporation named Dreamland Villa Community Club in 1961. In January 2017 the members overwhelmingly changed the name to Dreamland Villa Retirement Community, (DVRC).

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AROUND THE VILLA

Welcome New Residents

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 communicating 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!

The Christmas Stocking Project

I want to thank everyone for their support over the years. Your generosity and donations are much appreciated and have brought smiles to lots of deserving children who would otherwise not have anything for Christmas. Carol, the woman who has been running this project for years, became sick and sadly is no longer with us. Unfortunately, the group does not know who her contacts were for bulk stuffing items, nor do we know all the organizations that received the stockings. The group is still passionate about the project and will continue to cut, sew, and paint the stockings, and some of the organizations we are aware of will have to stuff and deliver the stockings themselves.
Thank You, Betty Canino

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

Hello neighbors. I'm looking for any cat lovers who would be available to help with feeding a small colony of homeless/feral cats once a week. I need just a few loving people that have compassion and love for cats. There is a small colony that I've been caring for almost 10 years. It's located near Brown Road and 64th Street. If you can spare a little of your time and some canned cat food please won't you join us with the feeding of these precious kitties. Please text or call Teresa at 480-735-8399. I look forward to hearing from you.
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AROUND THE VILLA



by Lewis (Lew) Hooser

Ho, Ho, Christmas already! Because we are so close to Christmas and the New Year in this newsletter, the president and board members want to wish every-

one a wonderful and joyous Christmas and a Happy New Year! Boy does time fly when you're having fun! All kidding aside, time does fly as everyone in Dreamland Villa and Velda Rose Estates knows. The reason I commented that time flies by is because Help Services has not failed to keep its promises and the doors open since 1973 when we started helping folks out of a two-car garage. We wouldn't have made it past 1974 if it would not have been for all your generous contributions; whether it's from our donation box in our office, from our yearly donation letter, or all of the generous bequests throughout the years as well. It also goes with-out saying that we have always had very good leadership to steer Help Services in the right direction, which includes all past and present board members.

Debra Traskos has asked me to mention to all of you good folks that we are always in need of adult incontinence products. As our monitor guru, she has asked me to please keep adding her request to our monthly newsletter for anyone who might be interested; an open invitation to join up and be a monitor. You can do this by stopping in at our office or just giving her a call.

Oh, by the way, at our last meeting, the board was wondering if it would be possible for you good folks in Velda Rose Estates to sign up as monitors and possibly help us out by being on the board of directors as well. We are truly in need of younger folks to lead the way into the future of Help Services. We need new people with new ideas to make Help Services even better.

With Christmas and all the upcoming holidays heading our way, I wanted to remind you that we now have fold-up tables and chairs to loan out.

Good news, we are now open on Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday, 9 a.m. to Noon. Visit our new webpage at www.HelpServicesInc.org. Stay warm, and of course from our President Patty Thorpe and all the board members, have a joyous and memorable Christmas!

Book Club

Anita Thompson

We will meet on December 14th at 3:00 pm at Anita's home. The book we will be discussing is "To Kill a Mockingbird" by Harper Lee. I know it's a classic, but to be honest I have never read it and I am looking forward to doing so now. I read her second book, "Go

Set a Watchman" this summer and I really enjoyed it. In this book, Scout returns to her home to visit her elderly father, Atticus. I really enjoyed it and it made me want to read "To Kill a Mockingbird". I hope you can join us. Remember, we meet outside on the patio and you need to bring your own drink if you want something. I am looking forward to seeing more of you back by then.

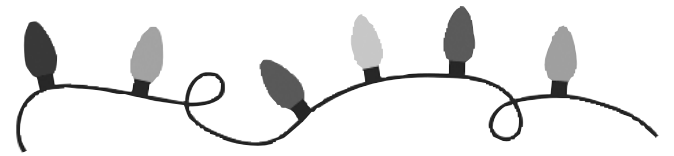
Acts of Kindness Card Program

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.

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Holiday Decorating Contest

Calling all Holiday decorating enthusiasts

If you'd love to share your festively decorated home during the holiday season, we would love to see it. Please help us light up Dreamland Villa and share the holiday spirit with our community.

This year we will have prizes for the three best-decorated homes and one prize for the most decorated block in Dreamland Villa. The criteria for the best-decorated block will be the largest number of homes decorated outside and inside visible from the street. To achieve this, neighbors will have to get together and organize and put their best foot forward for the community.

This holiday season there will be no need to register your home as a contestant, we will leave that up to the residents who venture out to view the lights. They will be requested to provide the office with their top three picks along with the street of their choice. Residents may e-mail their choices to dreamlandvilla.org or call the office at 480 832-3461 and provide the staff with their choices.

The deadline for voting will be December 31st; prizes will be awarded at the January 20, 2024, Annual Membership Meeting and published in the February edition of the Citizen newspaper.



Book Review

Anita Thompson

Christmas Jars by Jason F. Wright
I don't know if anyone has noticed, but for several years in the December Citizen, I have written a book review that has to do with Christmas. They have all been good books, but maybe, just maybe, this one is the very best yet!!

It's a small book so a quick read. I know how busy the Christmas season is so that's a good thing. It starts with Louise sitting alone in

a booth in a restaurant on Christmas Eve. She hears something in the next booth, and there is, all alone, a tiny baby girl. There is also a note explaining why she has been left there. She searches for the mother with no luck and ends up adopting the baby and raising her alone, naming the baby Hope. The baby grows up wanting to be a journalist. The Christmas Eve after Louise dies, Hope's apartment is broken into and she is sitting on the steps outside in the cold crying. When she gets up to go in, there is a paper bag and in it, a jar with money in it, labeled "Christ-

mas Jar". Hope works for a newspaper, and there have been letters from others who have gotten Christmas jars as well. Hope sets out to find out who is sending them. She meets a wonderful family and spends a lot of time with them. She has misled them as to why she is questioning them, and when an article about her is in the paper she feels guilty about the lie. The head of the family dies and she finally goes to confess. It's a story filled with hope and people who pass that hope on to others. Great book, I read it in one day and I highly recommend it.

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Newspaper Carriers Needed

Hello Dreamland Villa it's Judy Goodroe. It's that time of year again to start delivering the newspaper. I am looking for captains for a delivery route. You would have carriers under you, and one small walking route of your own. We also need carriers and subs. If you're interested, it's a great way to meet new people and get a little exercise. You can text my cell phone at 480-297-6059. I also have a landline with an answering machine 480-699-6397. I am looking forward to hearing from you! Thank you, Judy.

Minnesota Potluck

by Andrea Hill

Minnesota Potlucks are now happening, folks. If you have lived in Minnesota, been there on vacation, fought off hoards of mosquitoes, worked, or gone to school in our great state, then our potluck nights are for you. Shoot, if you've eaten Lutefisk at Christmas, you don't get any more Minnesotan than that.

We meet at Read Hall on the second Thursday of each month. The next one is on December 14th. Doors open at 5:15 pm and we will eat at 5:30 pm. Bring a dish (with food in it) to serve eight to ten people, your own plate, and eating utensils. You may bring your own drink if you like, but coffee and tea will be provided.

RING IN THE NEW YEAR



The Softones will be playing at a New Year's Eve party at Read Hall on Dec. 31 from 8:00 pm to midnight. The price will be \$20 and will include a light lunch at 10:00 pm. Coffee, water, and ice will be available, BYOB. The Softones are a variety band, playing a little of everything: old-time, big band, country, 50's/60's, and some more current tunes. Whatever kind of music you enjoy, the Softones probably play something in that category. 80 tickets will be available and will be sold strictly in Dreamland until December 15th. Ticket sales should begin the week of Thanksgiving. We will be selling in the old posse room across from the office and at whatever events are going on. You can also call 260-312-0882 to arrange for tickets or to get more information.

"Holiday Safety Tips: Protect Your Home and Gifts"

Joseph Favazzo- DVRC Posse

The holiday season is a time for celebration and spreading joy, but it's also a time to be extra cautious when it comes to the safety of your home and cherished gifts. Here are some essential tips to help safeguard your property during this festive time.

Watch for Delivered Packages: Online shopping has become a popular way to purchase holiday gifts, but it can also attract the attention of porch pirates. Keep an eye on your tracking information and be on the lookout for delivery notifications. Try to retrieve your packages as soon as they're delivered, or have a trusted neighbor collect them if you're away.

Consider a Wireless Camera System: Investing in a wireless camera system, such as Blink or other similar brands, can provide an extra layer of security for your home. These systems allow you to monitor your property remotely and receive alerts when motion is detected, helping you keep an eye on any potential intruders.

Keep Your Porch Well-Lit: A well-lit porch can deter would-be thieves and provide a sense of security. Install outdoor lighting, including motion-activated lights, and consider keeping a porch light on during the evening and nighttime hours. Adequate lighting can make your home a less appealing target for burglars.

Conceal Gifts from Prying Eyes: While it's tempting to display your beautifully wrapped gifts under the Christmas tree, avoid placing them near windows or in plain view. Make sure your curtains or blinds are drawn when you're not home, and store gifts in a more discreet location. This prevents potential burglars from seeing enticing valuables through your windows.

By following these simple yet effective safety tips, you can enjoy the holiday season with peace of mind, knowing that your home and cherished gifts are well-protected. Remember, taking proactive measures to secure your property can go a long way in ensuring a safe and happy holiday for you and your loved ones.

Veterans Coffee Hour at Dreamland Villa-Read Hall

By Nan Molina - Veteran Advocate for Veterans Affinity and Dreamland Villa Resident

Calling all Veterans and their spouses who are residents of Dreamland Villa (no membership required)!!

Our next veteran coffee and donut hour will be December 11, 2023, from 9:00-10:00 am in Read Hall. This coffee hour will be held on the 2nd Monday of every month. Come join fellow veterans to share coffee and donuts, connect, and share stories. Also, information on veteran resources will be available. Please contact Nan Molina at 602-615-2460, or email nanettecmolina@gmail.com, to let me know if you are coming, or if you have any further questions. We look forward to seeing you there!

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Chris Mortimer

We started the Neighborhood Watch late in 2019, and unfortunately due to covid it was derailed. We're happy to report that we will be organizing it again soon. We will need volunteers called Captains to be responsible for a specific street or streets. Captains will help recruit neighbors to be part of the watch.

With the current state of crime and related issues in Mesa, we feel it's more important than ever to have a good system of communication in our community. We

also want to protect our more vulnerable neighbors. This group will help keep Dreamland Villa more connected, which is the best way to help keep us all safe.

I am stepping up to be a Captain of my street. Won't you volunteer to help Dreamland stay a safe community to live in?

Please email us at neighborhoodwatch@dreamlandvilla.org if you would like more information. You may also call the office at 480-832-3461 and request a call-back if you do not use a computer.

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Year- Round Worker's Corner

2023 is on its way out, and for a lot of us full-time workers there are many things to get ready for. I have learned over many years that if you do not take care of yourself, you cannot properly take care of your family. Having said this, here are some tips and tricks that are available in Mesa that I do every month.

Hire a housekeeper who does 4 hours for \$100 and she is very thorough, her name is Kylene.

Get a full-hour body massage, in Arizona a good therapist runs from \$40 to \$70 an hour.

Get a manicure and/or pedicure or both. My husband loves his pedicures.

Get a full-hour fantastic facial.

In the near future, I will be arranging for an aesthetician to come to Read Hall to do facials.

Please call or text me and I can give you my recommendations for all of the above.

Megan Tackett 480-297-1877. I work Monday through Friday 5:00 am to 2:30 pm.

DESERT WALKERS

We had our first gathering on Friday, December 1st at Jean and Larry Neuman's home. We will walk on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month through March. Our next walk will be on December 15th at the Gilbert Riparian Preserve on Guadalupe Rd., please look for an email with the details of that walk. Sometime this winter we plan to walk the Veteran's Oasis on Lindsay and Chandler Heights Road. There are other suggestions that we are considering, and I plan to have a tentative schedule for the winter included in the January Citizen. We are always open to new ideas, we welcome new members, and we appreciate your input to make these walks interesting.

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

Dreamland Villa Retirement Community

Profit and Loss YTD Comparison

October 2023

	TOTAL	
	OCT 2023	JAN - OCT, 2023 (YTD)
Income		
4000 Annual Fee Revenue	1,297.85	303,171.77
4001 55+ Donation Income	910.00	8,789.60
4003 Donations - Unrestricted	565.29	1,775.29
4101 Read Hall Event/Kitchen Income	65.00	741.71
4102 Special Events Revenue	1,074.00	18,677.91
4208 Entertainment-TAD	5,803.36	51,446.49
4300 Administrative Related Income	5,952.50	90,951.15
4400 Restricted Accounts Income	500.00	905.00
4502 Interest Earned	351.15	2,591.07
4503 Crown Castle Lease Income	1,200.00	12,000.00
Services		0.00
Total Income	\$17,719.15	\$491,049.99
GROSS PROFIT	\$17,719.15	\$491,049.99
Expenses		
5001 55+ Compliance Expense	224.16	1,691.47
5300 Admin & Office Expenses	5,077.84	38,202.70
5350 Membership Marketing Expense	482.43	3,774.13
5400 Restricted Accounts Expense		882.84
5501.5 Income Tax Expense		10,992.22
5900 Insurance	10,662.00	53,703.40
5950 Read Hall Expenses	650.00	7,769.87
6201 Bldg & Grounds Maintenance	2,163.02	18,332.89
6300 Swimming Pools Expenses	4,631.68	66,357.31
6400 Utilities	5,280.00	48,853.33
7000 Payroll & Related Expenses	14,526.90	168,946.89
Total Expenses	\$43,698.03	\$419,507.05
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$-25,978.88	\$71,542.94
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	\$-25,978.88	\$64,018.94

OCTOBER 2023 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The detailed October 2023 monthly and YTD Profit and Loss statement, Balance Sheet, footnotes, and supplemental schedules for money market activity and the 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.

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You are welcome bring your own Drinks/Cocktails. Appetizers and Desserts are welcome too!
 Please put on your **Ugliest Christmas Sweater** (you might win a prize!)

Lots of **Christmas Music** to get you in the spirit. This year we will have Katie on the Piano playing Christmas tunes and doing Sing-A-Longs.

Ticket Price is \$7.00 for Members & \$12.00 for Non-members. Hurry and get your tickets, only 100 will be sold!

50/50 Raffle tickets will be sold the night of party.

What's not to like? Let's celebrate the season and our community, *Together!*

*Tickets will be sold on Monday nights in the Paved Glass Room 11/13, 11/20, 11/27 & 12/4 from 5 pm - 8pm at the Thanksgiving Dinner, and Craft Fair. More times will be listed.

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Dreamland Villa Holiday Decorating Contest
 Calling ALL Holiday decorating enthusiasts!

If you just love to share your festively decorated home during the holiday season, we'd love to see it. Please help us light up Dreamland Villa and share our Holiday Spirit with our community.

This year we will have prizes for the three best decorated homes and one prize for the most decorated block in Dreamland Villa. The criteria for the best decorated block will be the largest number of homes decorated outside and inside visible from the street. To achieve this neighbors will have to get together and organize and put their best foot forward for the community.

This holiday season there will be no need to register your home as a contestant, we will leave that up to the residents who venture out to view the lights. They will be requested to provide the office with their top three picks along with the street of their choice. Residents may e-mail their choice to dreamlandvilla.org or call the office at 480 832-3461 and provide the staff with your choices.

The deadline for voting will be December 31st and prizes will be awarded at the January 20, 2024, Annual Membership Meeting and published in the February edition of the Citizen newspaper.

Thank you in advance for helping us to light up Dreamland Villa. Let's have fun and

Happy Holidays!

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Organ Stop Pizza Outing
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We will be having our annual outing at Organ Stop Pizza on February 29, 2024. We will meet in the parking lot of Organ Stop Pizza, and the doors will open at 10:45. They will serve salads and an all-you-care-to-eat pizza buffet. Drinks and dessert are on your own. We will have more information when we get our confirmation from Organ Stop Pizza in December. A sign-up sheet should be available in the office after the first of the year. Mark your calendars!



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Dreamland Bowling League

By Cyndy Munday

Our last day of the summer league was a lot of fun. We did 9-pin no tap and had some great scores. Steve Pena had a perfect 300-game. Congrats Steve! We are sorry to see our summer visitors go for the rest of the year. We plan to see them again in the spring.



Winter League began Oct 27th at 3 pm. It is always fun to get everyone together again and begin a new season. We will be having a 2-week break in December. This is our opportunity to have a little holiday potluck, so please plan on bringing a snack to share.

TOP BOWLERS

Week of Oct 3

Eula Dobbins 164; Steve Pena 203, 179, 188; Said Yaffar 196; Roger Kaufman 188, 204, 209; Cyn Munday 176; Jack Cregar 174; Dan Jenkins 177; Larry Reesa 181, 170, 172; Judy Schulster 194; Jerry Cole 170, 178

Week of Oct 10

Frank Smith 177; John Henderson 181, Larry Ressa 178, 223; Brian Wheeler 210; Jack Cregar 180; Judy Schulster 189; Dan Jenkins 178, 203; Said Yaffar 182, 204; Roger Kaufman 179, 210, 180; Cyn Munday 183

Week of Oct 17 (9 pin no tap)

Frank Smith 265, 236, 263; Cyndy Munday 231, 219; Harry Cole 196, 177, 189; Larry Reesa 278, 187, 280; Ted Modjeski 174, 196; Jane Gilbert 163, 204; Steve Pena 267, 300, 243; Brian Wheeler 224; Jerry Cole 240, 223, 218; Sara Kempke 205, 202, 230; Judy Schulster 167, 201, 207; Dan Jenkins 243, 224, 225

Week of Oct 27 (Winter League began)

Cindy Pena 154; Steve Pena 196; Patti Kaufman 164; Tess Debonis 201;

Jennifer Roberts 182, 192; Said Yaffar 180, 179, 194; Dan Griffiths 174; Jack Cregar 198; Sara Kempke 164

SPLITS PICKED UP – Jack Cregar 3-6-10-7; Jerry Cole 7-3-6-10; Judy Schulster 5-7; Nancy Cole 3-10; Steve Pena 4-7-9; Roger Kaufman 4-5-7, 3-10; Brian Wheeler 5-7; Judy Schulster 5-7; Brian Wheeler 5-8-10, 5-7, 3-6-7-10; Jack Cregar 4-5; Brian Wheeler 3-6-7-10; Jerry Cole 3-10; John Hoppough 3-10; Dan Jenkins 4-1-10; Patty Kaufman 5-7; Jennifer Roberts 5-7; Cinda Pena 3-6-7-10; Nancy Cole 3-10; Lois Delong 2-7

We are always looking for more bowlers. If you are interested in joining or need more information, please call Cyndy Munday at 425-218-1105. Thank you.

FUSED GLASS

by David Senke

Bundle up, winter is here and it looks like it's going to be a cold one. Oh sorry, I thought I was back East. Well, the holidays are upon us and everyone is looking forward to coming to Fused Glass. This class has been a great way to get out of the house and do something very different. Members have brought their visiting friends and relatives over to try out this unique art form. We have even set up so they could make their own glass souvenir.

The Arts and Crafts show is on December 2nd, and we would like to thank people in advance for baking for the bake sale. Some of the money raised will be put back into keeping our machines running and replacing inventory.

Enjoy the holidays and stop in and check out the shop studio. Hours of operation are Monday and Wednesday from 9:30 am to 12:00 noon and 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. Also, Monday nights we are open from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Additional hours may also be available and will be posted in the shop window.



Cork Magnets

DECEMBER 16 – CRAFT CLASS – CORK MAGNETS
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Dreamland Villa Quilting Club

by *Becky Lamson*

Our Photo is a project quilt made by all members of our Quilt Club. It will be on sale at the Dreamland Villa Arts and Crafts Sale on December 2nd.

We will only meet twice in December on the 7th and 14th. Our meeting on Dec 14th will be our Holiday Potluck at noon.

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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Needle Felting

DECEMBER 9 - BEGINNERS NEEDLE FELTED CHRISTMAS TREE. Great decoration possibilities for the holidays. This beginner's class is a 2-½ hour needle-felting class and is being offered on December 9th, from 9:00 - 11:30. Join us for some fun, the cost is \$35... All supplies are included.



Dreamland Villa Golf League

Lu Wald

The 2023-2024 Golf season is well underway. We held a member meeting on November 2nd and 21 membership forms were received. There are 31 ladies who have confirmed for this golf season. Of those, 16 are residents of Dreamland Villa. We are now enjoying playing at Desert Sands Golf Course on Baseline and 74th St., with a t-time of 2:30. We expect to have four to six flights each week. We will have our mid-winter luncheon and member meeting in January, the location will be announced. If you are a golfer and would like to participate, we would be happy to have you join us. Please contact Lana at koeniglana@yahoo.com.



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WET PAINT

By Alicia Short

COMING SOON...CRAFT CLASSES. One craft project at a time will be offered and last from 1 hour to maybe 3 hours...depending on the project offered. There will be some offered on Saturdays. The first class to be offered on December 9th will be needle felting a small Christmas tree, and December 16th will be a cork, magnet, and flowers project. See the article and photo on this. For more details contact Alicia...info below. Classes will be limited to 12 people. Prices will vary depending on the cost of materials. Classes will include all the materials and items needed to go home with something fun. If you need to bring something, that will

be communicated to you in the articles. CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT GOURD CLASS, December 9TH and 16TH, - 9:00 am to noon. The cost will be \$25 and will include all paints, supplies, tools, and gourds. If you wish to participate in the class, but cannot come to the Art Room to register, you must call Lu at 701-527-0146 in advance. WATERCOLOR CLASS - TUESDAY AFTERNOONS, 1:00 pm -3:30 pm. BEGINNING January 9th. Instructions and demos will be given for the wet-in-wet, dry brush, glazing techniques, ink sketches, and watercolor theory. Students will complete a simple watercolor painting after initial instruction is given. This class runs for 5 weeks and a fee of \$30 will be charged. Students will need their own supplies. A list of needed supplies can be obtained from Alicia

Short, contact info below. ACRYLIC MIXED MEDIA - WEDNESDAY MORNINGS - 9:00 am - 11:30 am BEGINNING January 10TH, - 5 weeks - \$30 This class will have instructions and painting projects. You can bring your own reference materials or if new you can follow along with a project I will demo and I will work with you on it. Wednesday afternoon - 1:00 pm beginning January 10- classes will be for any media for those who are somewhat experienced painters. No instruction so this class will not have a charge. WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS - OPEN PAINTING. Open December 6th,13th,20th, and beginning January 10TH. Paint on your own, no instructions, no cost. 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm. THURSDAY AFTERNOONS -1:00 pm

- 3:00 pm- PAINTING ROCKS WORKSHOP- Valerie Vallelunga. She includes paint and 1 rock in her workshop. Class is \$2.00 per class. PAINTED-PAPER PAINTINGS WORKSHOP - Saturday, January 20TH, 9:00 am-about 4:00 pm. \$30 for materials. Contact Alicia to find out what supplies you will need to bring, This is a fun way to create a piece of art. JANUARY CLASS SCHEDULE - REGISTRATION ON JANUARY 5 - 9:00 am -11:30 am. STILL LOOKING FOR TEACHERS... CRAFTS OR ART... Contact Alicia for info on how to apply and scheduling dates and times. CONTACT ALICIA AT ALICIAM-SHORT01@GMAIL.COM with ideas, suggestions, or interest in our classes.



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Dreamland Singles Club

Lu Wald

November welcomed us with beautiful fall weather and allowed us to enjoy a wonderful picnic in the park. Twenty-seven of our members gathered at Red Mountain Park to enjoy the food and lingered to socialize in the cooler evening. Our dine-outs in November found us enjoying lunch at Red, White, & Brew on the 2nd and dinner at Red Devil Pizza on the 17th. Many of our members attended the Special Membership meeting on the 4th, and the beautiful Veterans Day celebration on the 11th. Members carpooled to the Hale Theater in Gilbert for Fiddler on the Roof on the 4th, and to Chandler for the Symphony Concert on the 12th. For many of us, it was so nice to enjoy a great Thanksgiving dinner with neighbors. At our November 8th meeting, we held an election and the new Board for 2024 is: Sydney Clark- President, Kathie Chismar- Vice-president, Karolyn Grafton- Secretary, and Sue Shoemaker-Treasurer. On December 1st we will have lunch at Jason's Deli, and enjoy dinner at Cracker Barrel on Higley on the 13th. Our annual Christmas party will be held on the 5th. As it is a catered event,

reservations needed to be received by the 27th of November. The group will carpool to Chandler for the Christmas Symphony Concert on the 3rd. We will again be traveling to the Hale in Gilbert to enjoy A Christmas Carol on the 9th. For a bit of outdoor activity, we will play Bocce Ball on the 9th at 4:00 pm, and Cornhole on the 16th at 9:00 am. We realize many Dreamland Singles are still working and cannot attend our daytime meetings on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. If you cannot attend our meetings, we encourage you to come to our potluck on the first Tuesday of the month to find out about our activities. The next potluck is on January 2nd at 5:30 pm in Read Hall. We schedule activities throughout the year, including the potlucks. We have a link to our calendar on the email blast, and print copies are available in the office and on our bulletin board in Read Hall. You can also find it on the Dreamland website. We welcome your suggestions for weekend and evening activities. You can reach us at singles@dreamlandvilla.org and we will work with you to include those ideas. Come and check us out!



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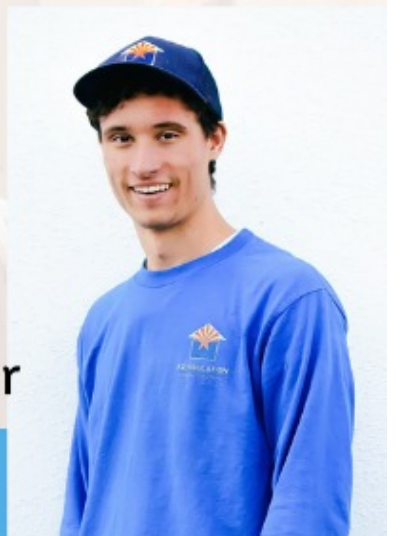
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					1 Set up for Craft Fair 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM	2 Craft Fair 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
3	4	5 Board Study Session 9:30 AM Singles Christmas Party 4:00 - 7:00 PM Poker 6:00 PM	6 Senior Tech Computer Class 10:00 AM	7 Quilting Club 1:00 - 4:00 PM	8	9 Coffee Social 7:30 - 9:00 AM Holiday Mingle & Jingle 5:30PM
10 Private Event 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM	11 Veterans Coffee Hour 9:00 AM	12 Board Meeting 9:30 AM Poker 6:00 PM	13 RH Pool Closed for Cleaning Singles Club 9:30 AM Senior Tech Computer Class 10:00 AM Bunco 1:00 PM	14 Card Bingo 10:30 AM Quilting Club 1:00 - 4:00 PM Minnesota Potluck 5:00 PM	15 Community Garage Sale	16 Community Garage Sale Pancake Breakfast 7:30 - 9:00 AM
17 Private Event 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM	18	19 Poker 6:00 PM	20 Farnsworth Pool Closed for Cleaning Senior Tech Computer Class 10:00 AM - Noon Card Bingo 6:00 PM	21 Community Potluck 5:00 PM	22	23
24 Ring in the New Year 8:00 PM - 12:00 AM 31	25	26 Poker 6:00 PM	27 Singles Club 9:30 AM Senior Tech Computer Class 10:00 AM	28 Card Bingo 10:30 AM	29 Bunco 7:00 PM	30

December Weekly Activities

DAILY EVENTS	MONDAY AM	TUESDAY AM	WEDNESDAY AM	THURSDAY AM	FRIDAY AM	SATURDAY AM
	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 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	Bowling 1:00 O Cards - Cribbage 1:00 R-B Woodshop 1:00 - 3:30 R-10 Cards Hand, Foot and Toe 6:00 - 8:00 R-A	Cards - Pinochle 1:00 R-B

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