# Dreamland Villa Retirement Community CITIES TO SERVING THE SERVIN

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### **BRIEFS**

Singles Club Meeting Wednesday, November 8th and 22nd 9:30 am Read Hall

Singles Club Picnic Tuesday, November 7th

Thanksgiving Dinner Thursday, November 23rd 4:00 pm Read Hall

Read Hall Pool Maintenance Wednesday, November 8th All Day

Farnsworth Hall Pool Maintenance Wednesday, November 15th All Day

# Candidates Needed

Candidates needed to fill two (2) Director positions for Dreamland Villa Retirement Community's Board of Directors.

Do you want to be a director? Contact Earline Parham at earlineparham@gmail.com or the DVRC Office at (480) 832-3461, or stop by the office at 320 N 55th Place, Mesa, Monday through Friday, 9 am to 1 pm. Candidates must submit their application by noon on December 29th, 2023. Candidates will be introduced at the January 2024 Annual Membership Meeting. The elections will be in February 2024.

# NOTICE: Special Membership Meeting

November 4, 2023 Farnsworth Hall 9:00 a.m.

### **Meeting Purpose**

- Request the membership to support increasing the annual membership fee to \$250.00.
- Request the membership approve an amendment to the Bylaws.

The proposed amendment may be found within this edition of the Citizen.

# President's Message

Steve Malone. DVRC President

For my November article, I thought it best to do a recap of what is going on financially within the Dreamland Villa Retirement Community. In my May article, I talked about our financial situation and that we are trying to cut our expenses and looking at increasing our revenue to cover the cost of inflation.

In the June edition of the Citizen, I approached the subject of Dreamland Villa possibly having to sell off assets specifically at the Farnsworth Hall complex. I also stated that no one on the Board of Directors relishes this idea nor do they want to have to increase fees. In doing so, we understand that we may reduce membership as well. It is like being in between a rock and a hard place, there are no good options. We have to maintain DVRC to ensure that it remains a 55-plus, safe, clean, and welcoming community. To achieve this, all residents need to financially support the community. As the community goes so goes your home value.

In my July article, I spoke about how inflation has impacted our financial resources. To il-

lustrate this, I looked at what the Social Security Administration has provided for cost-of-living adjustments from 2017 to 2023. To illustrate this, I created a chart that compares the cost-of-living adjustments provided by Social Security and what Dreamland Villa has done with its dues over the same timeline. Please see the chart below and refer to the July Citizen article which can be found at https://www.dreamlandvilla.org/page.cfm/372. Just a quick reminder, the Social Security Administration's cost of living adjustments do not consider factors like swimming pool chemicals, repairs, maintenance, or natural

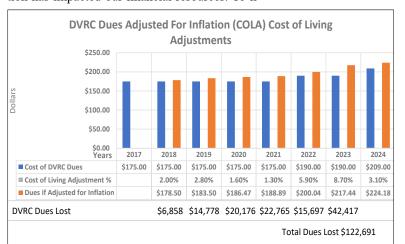
In my August article, I discussed the possibility of having sponsored memberships for individuals who do not live within the 18 sections that make up Dreamland Villa as a means to increase membership. This issue has resulted in a great deal of discussion and controversy.

In the September article, I broached the subject of selling DVRC's assets, the first being the south parking lot at the Farnsworth complex. This property is located between 6116 and 6132 Butte Street. The board is currently in the process of separating this particular section of Farnsworth from the original plat. Should the membership agree to sell this property, the funds will shore up our capital reserve fund. This year the Board

approved over \$207,983.00 to pay for major improvements to the pools at Read, replacing the pool heater at Farnsworth, the west roof and AC unit at Read, and the Kee card system.

The October article announced that a Special Membership Meeting will be held on November 4th, 2023, at Farnsworth Hall beginning at 9:00 a.m., for the purpose of asking the membership to approve an increase to the membership fee to \$250 annually and a Bylaw amendment to clarify Disclosure and Transfer fees. As you can understand, it is necessary to justify such an increase. I put together a chart of comparison membership costs from various other communities in the valley as well as health and fitness organizations; please see the chart below. Dreamland Villa without a doubt provides the biggest value for the dollar. I encourage you to support the increase of our membership dues to \$250 per person. The alternative will be the need to sell assets belonging to Dreamland Villa, most likely those at the Farnsworth campus.

I encourage you to review all my articles since May and come prepared for the November 4th Special Membership Meeting. Should you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact me or stop into the office during normal business hours and you will catch me there. I am always happy to answer your questions.





# A MESSAGE FROM THE DREAMLAND VILLA MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL COMMITTEE

In order to maintain its 55+ status and continue to provide amenities, Dreamland Villa needs each resident to support their community financially. We must continue to protect the age restrictions in our community. In addition to funding the work of maintaining our 55+ status, here are some of the many amenities we have access to: Veterans Activities ~ Bingo ~ Variety of Card Games ~

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League ~ Holiday Celebrations ~

Craft Fair ~ Art Show ~ Pickleball

Concerts ~ Singles Club ~

to meet the financial needs of our community. We need to keep the wonderful amenities we currently have. We can do this if we all do our part by contributing financially.

At the November 4th meeting, there will be a vote to determine the exact amount of the annual fee for 2024, but it will be no more than \$250. This is much lower than any of the other 55+ communities in our area. Membership may be paid yearly, quarterly, or monthly. You can pay by cash, check, or credit card. Thank you in advance for your support.

NEWS FLASH: Those who purchase a 2024 membership by January 19, 2024, will be entered into a prize drawing. The prizes will be awarded at the January 20 membership meeting.

If you have any questions, please contact the office at 480-832-3461 or office@dreamlandvilla.org



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# **AROUND THE VILLA**

### PROPOSED BY LAW CHANGES

This By Law Change proposes to delete ARTICLE XI's Section 4 addressing Transfer Fees and Section 9 addressing Age-Restriction Policies and Procedures. Each deletion is restated in a new Article XII.

ARTICLE XI, MEMBERSHIP AND DUES FEES Any fee requested to pay for Dreamland Villa Retire-

ment Community's social or recreational activities shall be is a voluntary contribution. No fee is mandatory.

**Section 1. No Change** 

**Rental Properties: No Change** 

Section 2. No Change

**Section 3. No Change** 

Section 4 to be Deleted and Moved to Article XII. Section 4. New property owners, at the time of escrow closing, shall be requested to pay, in addition to the annual fee, a onetime Transfer Fee. The transfer fee is established to cover the cost of maintaining Dreamland Villa Retirement Community's age-restricted status and may from time to time be modified by the board of directors. Only one transfer fee may be charged for a residence regardless of the number of individuals residing in that residence. The transfer fee is not applicable to transfer of ownership between family members, i.e., spouses, parents, siblings, or children.

Section 54 Change paragraph number only.

Section 65. Change paragraph number only.

Section 76. Change paragraph number only.

Section 87. Change paragraph number only.

Section 9 to be Deleted and Moved to Article XII. Section 9. The Declaration of Restrictions and Amendments thereto, attached to the real property located within one of Dreamland Villa Development's eighteen (18) sections, establishes that Dreamland Villa is a 55+ community, and each dwelling unit shall be occupied by at least one resident aged fifty-five years of age or older, and that no person eighteen (18) years of age or younger shall reside in a dwelling unit for a period longer than 90 days. It shall be the policy of the Dreamland Villa Retirement Community to establish Policies and Procedures to comply with the requirements set forth in the US Department of Housing and Urban Development Housing for Older Persons Act of 1995, Final Rule Effective May 3, 1999, and the Maricopa County Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 10 Overlay Zoning Districts, Section 1006. Senior Citizen Overlay.

**New Article XII** ARTICLE XII, Transfer and Disclosure Fees AND Age-Restrictions.

Section 1. New property owner(s) are required to pay a Transfer Fee and Disclosure Fee at the time of closing. These fees are used for the purpose of covering Dreamland Villa Retirement Community's administrative costs (1) to provide for disclosure documentation to the new property owners as requested by their escrow/title companies and (2) obtain and maintain document that verify the ages of the new property owner(s) and the property's occupant(s). These documents are required to maintain Dreamland Villa Retirement Community's status as a 55 plus age restricted community.

Section 2. The Transfer and Disclosure fees shall be set by the Board of Directors in amounts that do not exceed those authorized by the Arizona Revised Statutes. These fees do not pay for the recreational and social activities offered by Dreamland Villa Retirement Community. These fees do not apply to the purchase or transfer of a membership in Dreamland Villa Retirement Community.

Section 3. At closing, new property owners are required to complete a Verification of Age Affidavit to demonstrate their compliance with their property's Declaration of Restrictions and Maricopa County Senior Citizen Zoning Ordinance requirements, each requiring that at least one occupant be 55 years of age or older. Verification of Age Affidavits must be completed not less than every two years, thereafter. At closing, authorized documents to verify age are set forth in the Maricopa County Senior Citizen Zoning Ordinance stating that Dreamland Villa is a 55+ years of age-restricted subdivision.

Section 4. The Declaration of Restrictions and Amendment thereto, attached to the real property (lots), run with the land and are binding on all persons owning a lot in Dreamland Villa eighteen (18) sections. The Declarations state that each dwelling unit shall be occupied by at least one resident aged fifty-five years of age or older, and that no person eighteen (18) years of age or younger shall reside in a dwelling unit for a period longer than 90 consecutive or non-consecutive days per calendar year. The Declarations also state the Declarations may be enforced by Dreamland Villa Retirement Community acting alone or by the Community together with any of its officers or members.

## WANTED: **Auditors**

Steve Malone, President

The By-Laws, Article V, Board of Directors, Section 4 states: The board of directors shall appoint, at the be-

ginning of each fiscal year, a committee of three (3) qualified voting members in good standing to perform the audit and review of the Dreamland Villa Retirement Community's financial records and procedures.

Please contact the office at 480-832-3461 or email bookkeeper@ dreamlandvilla.org if you are interested in being appointed to the

committee to audit the calendar year 2023's financial statements.

The audit work may commence on or after Saturday, January 6, 2024, with a final audit report completed Tuesday, January 16, 2024.

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# **AROUND THE VILLA**

by Lewis (Lew) Hooser

I want to start this newsletter off this time around with a big thank you to all of you good folks who have supported Help Services throughout the years. At a recent meeting with all the members of the board, we would like to take this opportunity to invite you to become a member of the board of directors. All of our board members

have come to the conclusion that we need new people to be a part of Help Services in our continuing service to the good folks of Velda Rose Estates and Dreamland Villa community, in keeping our doors open now and beyond.

While Help Services is a separate entity from Dreamland Villa and Velda Rose Estates, we have always said thanks to all our friends for their gracious help and support. So, that being said, we want to take this opportunity to say thanks to the folks who support all our veterans. This is something you may or may not know that Help Services does. We have from time to time sent overstocked medical equipment to a local veteran's outlet located in the Mesa area to help veterans who have no way to purchase new medical equipment. The folks that we send the overstocked equipment to go completely through the equipment again to make sure it is up to their safety standards.

Last month was outstanding because of your generosity, your donations were very gener-

Help Services provides the sick, injured, and convalescing residents of Dreamland Villa and Velda Rose Estates with sick room and other healthcare equipment on a loan-free basis. We will also keep an eye open for those medical devices that can help people recover faster from their hospital stay that we normally don't have, like electric wheelchairs and such.

Here is a small list of things that we can loan out: hospital beds, commodes, toilet risers (with and without handrails), knee-walkers that fold, canes of all different kinds (some quads, some folding, etc.), crutches, C- walkers, Wheelchairs and beds, just to mention a few. This should be a normal winter for our area as well so please remember the items that are available for you when the grandchildren visit; baby beds, playpens, strollers, booster seats, and highchairs.

If this is the first time you have picked up the Citizen and you are wondering what our hours are, we are open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9 am to noon. Help Services is financed solely by your generous donations and by personal bequests, and as always, tax deductible. You can contact us or Debra Traskos if you're interested in becoming a monitor at 480-985-6021. Check us out on our web page www.HelpServicesInc.org

From this newsboy, our President Patty Thorpe, and all the hard-working board members, have a great Thanksgiving Day!

### DESERT WALKERS

The summer flew by and here we are preparing for the Desert Walkers winter 2024 expeditions on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the

We will have our first gathering on Friday, December 1st to do tentative planning for the winter season. We will meet at the home of Larry and Jean Neuman, 6457 East Des Moines Avenue, at 9:30 a.m. Jean and I will provide light morning refreshments. Please come with ideas for

destinations for our walks. We welcome new members and appreciate your input to make these walks in- Hope to see you on December 1st. teresting.

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 pre-

pared to pay your driver \$2-\$4 for gas, depending on the distance, and the entrance fee if applicable. Wear comfortable shoes and a hat; you might want a walking stick, wa-

ter, a snack, and 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@

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# Bake Sale Help Needed

By Patti Hanks- Fused Glass Group

The bake sale at the Craft Fair being held on December 2, 2023, needs your help. This year the Fused Glass group will be holding the bake sale to help the class with supplies. We need volunteers to bake a goodie or two for this event. We need everything from bread to cookies. We appreciate your generosity. We will be in the hall on Friday from 2 pm to 7 pm to accept your gifts. We will be back at the hall on Saturday from 8:30, in Room A (the room in the back by the Kitchen.) Come by to say hello and perhaps sample a goodie or two baked by your friends in Dreamland Villa. If you have questions, please call Patti at 480 461-1110, or stop by the Fused Glass shop Monday or Wednesday from 9:30 am to 3 pm. Again, thank you for your help and generosity.

# Minnesota Potluck

By Andrea Hill

Our Minnesota Potlucks are held on the second Thursday of the month beginning in November and running through March. There are only five opportunities to come and eat great food, meet fellow Minnesnowtans, and have some laughs; some of which you will be called upon to supply. I know that Up-North people have a great sense of humor, how else could they survive living up there? When the snow covers the mailbox, you gotta laugh. Or the dog goes out and disappears in a snow bank. Fun times, right?

Bring a yummy dish to share, your own plate, eating utensils, and also a drink if you like. Hot tea and coffee will be provided. Doors open at 5:15 pm at Read Hall and we try to eat at 5:30 pm. You will be home by 7 pm, so no excuses about missing a football game or some such nonsense.

Mark your calendars for this winter. November 9, December 14, January 11, February 8, March 14.

### **BOOK REVIEW**

Anita Thompson

Eyes of Prey by John Sandford

This book starts out with Carlo Druze, an actor who was horribly scarred on his face as a child, killing a woman. The woman, Stephanie, is supposed to be home alone, but her lover is there with her. Her lover comes down the stairs and sees the murderer's face. Her husband, who arranged the murder, is in California so he has an alibi. Now what? The husband is a doctor and a pathologist at the University of Minnesota. Yes, part of the reason I like his books is that they take place in my home state and the places are familiar. Lucas Davenport is a Minneapolis cop who has been in a deep depression since a previous murder case; his woman left him and took their daughter with her. Dr. Bekker is the husband of the dead woman, and he is using a lot of illegal drugs and is fascinated with death. He is also extremely handsome and obsessed with his "beauty". Who actually did the killing, and Lucas finally realizing he needs to get back to solving cases is the whole focus of the rest of the book. Several more people are killed. The eerie part of the story is that their eyes are cut out. Why? Who was the lover that was at the house with Stephanie? It's a page-turner and the very ending is an absolute and complete surprise!!! A Wow!! I really recommend this and his other books, they are all excellent and he is one of my favorite authors.



## **Book Club**

Anita Thompson

Where has the summer gone? It's time to restart our book club. We will meet on November 9th at 3 pm at Anita's house. Come prepared to share what books you especially enjoyed reading over the summer. Mary read a book that she really enjoyed and checked and found that it is available in the library and also on Amazon. It is called "The Seedkeeper" by Diane Wilson. If you would consider reading it before the 9th, she thinks you would enjoy discussing it. I'm looking forward to seeing you all again and catching up on each other's lives. Hope all is well with all of you.



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# **AROUND THE VILLA**

### SEPTEMBER POTLUCK AND SWIMMING

Dreamland Villa residents enjoyed a potluck cookout and swimming at the Farnsworth Pool on September 30, 2023. Money was collected to contribute to the purchase of the new pool heater. A special thanks to Dreamland Villa for providing the gas grill.







### **Bunco Returns**

**DAYTIME Play begins:** 

November 8, 2023, at 1:00 pm Read Hall Room A \$3 for prize funds & a current DVRC membership card

**EVENING Play begins:** 

November 24, 2023, at 7:00 pm Read Hall Rooms B & A

\$3 for prize funds & a current DVRC membership card

We have new game play leadership this year! Please support these ladies and let's continue to have fun!

Invite new players & let's grow this activity.

Questions or need more information: Contact: Linda Herreman Llpplan642@gmail.com 605-341-5249

We will continue to meet on the 2nd Wednesday of each month for daytime play. We will continue to meet on the last Friday of each month for evening play.

### Posse Corner

**Self-Protection and Awareness for Our Community Members** 

Submitted by DLV Posse member Joseph Favazzo

As we age, staying safe becomes a top priority. Here are some useful ideas to help our community members enhance their safety and security.

- Stay Informed: Knowledge is power. Keep up to date with the latest safety tips and local news. Understanding potential risks is the first step towards self-protection.
- Home Safety: Ensure your home is a safe haven. Install handrails, non-slip flooring, and proper lighting to prevent accidents. Consider a medical alert system that allows you to call for help in emergencies.
- Stay Connected: Maintain strong

social connections. Loneliness can lead to vulnerability. Join clubs, and senior centers, or engage in community activities to stay socially active and reduce isolation.

- Scam Awareness: Be cautious of unsolicited phone calls, emails, or visitors. Scammers often target older adults. Never share personal or financial information with strangers and verify the identity of anyone claiming to be from an official organization.
- Financial Security: Safeguard your finances. Keep an eye on bank statements and credit reports for any unusual activity. Consult a trusted financial advisor to help protect your assets.
- Technology Savvy: Embrace technology for safety. Use mobile apps that provide location sharing with family members and consider smart home security systems that

offer peace of mind.

- Trust Your Instincts: If something doesn't feel right, trust your gut feeling. It's okay to say no, hang up the phone, or walk away from any situation that raises suspicion.
- Stay Informed About New Technologies: Keep an eye on the latest safety devices and technologies, such as wearable emergency buttons and smart home security systems that can provide added protection.

In conclusion, aging doesn't mean you have to compromise on safety and security. By staying informed, maintaining physical health, and embracing technology, we can enhance our self-protection and awareness, leading to a safer and more enjoyable life journey. Be safe, be kind, and may our life journeys remain graceful and prosperous.

# Year-Round Worker's Corner - Membership has its benefits...

Whether you are a member resident or a non-member resident, we still have to work up to 40 hours a week for our families. Please take advantage of the events we have scheduled for all our community members and residents. I stress you cannot buy groceries, cook the meal, and clean up as easy as driving to Read Hall and enjoying one of our dinners. One of our wise Members Lynda Leix, who hosted the Oktoberfest told me, "Honey, we all, at one time or another, had to work. If people want to come, they will make time to attend."

The social club hosted another 1st Friday of the month pool dinner at the two Read Hall pools, and all we had to bring was a side dish or dessert. The pulled pork sandwiches, coleslaw, and pink lemonade were gratis to kee card holders. There are also times for kids/grandkids to use Farnsworth pool daily, 11 am to 1 pm and 5 pm to 6 pm. Contact the Office for details on how to get your Club Kee Cards.

The Payson Casino bus trip was another fun-filled day. Five dollars for the bus ride and discounted breakfast and lunch prices for the trip attendees. We don't like to brag, but there were some big winners.

The Oktoberfest tickets were \$15 a person, and the dinner and entertainment were fantastic.

Who doesn't love brats, sauerkraut, and dessert? The beer was not gratis, but we brought our own.





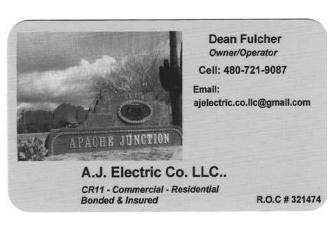
### Acts of Kindness Card Program

**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.





# 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)!!

We had our first veteran coffee and donut hour on Monday, October 9, 2023. It was a great time discussing military experiences, available resources, and being proactive regarding personal healthcare and overall wellbeing. Our next veteran coffee and donut hour will be November 13, 2023, at 9-10

am in Read Hall. This coffee hour will be held on the 2nd Monday of every month! Come join fellow veterans, share coffee and donuts, and 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. Look forward to seeing you there!

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# **AROUND THE VILLA / BOARD**

# MINUTES: Dreamland Villa Retirement Community Board of Directors for the October 10, 2023, 9:30 a.m. Meeting

Welcome: Steve Malone, President

General Announcements: Steve mentioned Policy & Procedures definition of a guest for use of our facilities, mentioned the pools have specific hours for kids, and members cannot bring nonmember residents as a guest to the amenities. Town Hall Meeting 10/14 at 9 AM, Oktoberfest 10/21, November 11 Veteran's Day Celebration

Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order: Steve Malone, President

Roll Call: Joyce Canino, Secretary. Directors: Steve Malone, Ward Jennings, Dan Martens,

Betty Mazza, Wendell (Sonny) Allison and Joyce Canino. Kevin Brueback has an excused absence.

Ratification of Minutes: The Directors ratified the September 12, 2023, Board of Directors meeting minutes and, after corrections, the October 3, 2023, Study Session.

Treasurer's Report: Ward stated the financial report in the Citizen is a condensed version and that the full report is on the website. With the numerous repairs done this year, the Capital Reserves are down significantly and there is currently not enough to pay for any big expenses. Ideally, there should be over \$300K in "savings".

Office Manager and Standing Committee Reports: No change since last week's report, which is available in the office upon request.

**OLD BUSINESS:** 

Farnsworth and Butte Street: A special warranty deed has been issued. We are waiting on one new deed and one revised deed as well as a new APN for the separated property. The appraisal came in at \$1,120,000 Farnsworth Hall/pool; \$425,000 Parking Lot; \$145,000 Butte Street lot. Members may request a copy of the appraisal ~ free digital (email) or printed at a cost of \$40-50 due to being almost 170 pages including color photos.

A member asked if Butte Street were sold how long would the profits last, Ward estimated 'maybe' 2 years with the current cashflow; if members stepped up, it would go further provided no big expenses arise (FH roof, AC units, re-oiling parking lot, etc.).

Platinum Pool/Spa: Dan stated Cody from Platinum Pools will hire an engineer to evaluate why the concrete decking is lifting and would know more later.

Policy and Procedure: Amy reported the committee met with the Board on 10/9 and prioritized the work needed done for By Laws and Policies.

Membership Marketing: Beth White, Chairperson, stated the committee is still working out details for the Membership Marketing, advertising, other details and would have something to present to the Board October 20th with distribution to begin around November 16th. The committee decided to stuff the envelopes themselves to save money and will ask for volunteers to help and hand deliver any that are returned;

a signup sheet was put out with several people volunteering.

Website Credit Card: Gene Miller, Webmaster, is out of town but has been working on getting the system to accept PayPal and Venmo for those paying dues online and/or donations for the Stinknet.

Kee Cards: Sonny's motion to charge \$20 for a lost or stolen kee card did not receive a second, therefore it was not voted on. Dan countered at \$30 (most cards state this on them already, a few newer issued cards say \$50), Joyce seconded. Five approved, 1 opposed. The Board asked P&P to amend the policy to reflect the vote.

(\*\* There is no current policy with regards to Kee Cards other than a reference to Farnsworth Kee Cards).

**NEW BUSINESS:** 

Article XI, Membership and Fees: Ward made a motion to amend the title, Dan seconded and passed.

By-Law Article IV, Treasurer: Ward made a motion for Policy and Procedures to move these changes forward for voting at the January 20, 2024, General Membership Meeting. Dan second and passed.

By-Laws Article V, Board of Directors: The directors unanimously approved a motion to rescind this proposed By Law change.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM with a brief intermission before Open Forum.

TOTAL

Submitted by: Joyce Canino, Secretary.

# **NEW TO DREAMLAND?**

Are you new to Dreamland Villa as a homeowner or renter? We would like to

To help you become acquainted and participate in our community activities

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.

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

and fourth Saturdays of each month, beginning at 7:30 a.m., in Read Hall. Hope to see you soon!

# **WELCOME!**

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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

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

For Community News and Updates

Visit Our Website: www.dreamlandvilla.org

### Dreamland Villa Retirement Community

Profit and Loss YTD Comparison

September 2023

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	SEP 2023	JAN - SEP, 2023 (YTD)
Income		
4000 Annual Fee Revenue	499.35	301,873.92
4001 55+ Donation Income		7,879.60
4003 Donations - Unrestricted		1,210.00
4101 Read Hall Event/Kitchen Income	38.95	676.71
4102 Special Events Revenue		17,603.91
4208 Entertainment-TAD	5,487.25	45,643.13
4300 Administrative Related Income	4,510.60	84,998.65
4400 Restricted Accounts Income	80.00	405.00
4502 Interest Earned	226.71	2,239.92
4503 Crown Castle Lease Income	1,200.00	10,800.00
Services		0.00
Total Income	\$12,042.86	\$473,330.84
GROSS PROFIT	\$12,042.86	\$473,330.84
Expenses		
5001 55+ Compliance Expense		1,467.31
5300 Admin & Office Expenses	1,765.26	86,978.48
5350 Membership Marketing Expense		3,291.70
5400 Restricted Accounts Expense		882.84
5950 Read Hall Expenses		7,119.87
6201 Bldg & Grounds Maintenance	533.71	16,169.87
6300 Swimming Pools Expenses	2,250.27	61,725.63
6400 Utilities 7000 Payroll & Related Expenses	5,935.76	43,573.33
7000 Payroll & Related Expenses	14,470.94	154,599.99
Total Expenses	\$24,955.94	\$375,809.02
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$-12,913.08	\$97,521.82
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	\$-12,913.08	\$89,997.82

### SEPTEMBER 2023 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The detailed September 2023 monthly and YTD Profit and Loss statement, Balance Sheet, footnotes, and supplemental schedules for money market activity and the changes in fixed assets n on the website, Dreamlandvilla.org, Digital L NOTE: The financial statement footnotes are an integral part of the monthly financial statements.





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# **EVENTS**

# Old Timers **Aquacise Reunion**

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Thursday, November 16th at 1:15 pm, Read Hall





# Dreamland Villa Community Thanksgiving Dinner

Where: READ HALL When: Thanksgiving Day November 23, 2023 Time: 4 pm to 7 pm Dinner about 4:30 pm Sponsored by the Dreamland Villa Community

All are welcome (you do not need a kee card to participate) 10 per person = Sorry inflation is hitting us all. Water, coffee, and tea are provided. Need Volunteers to

help – Call 480 461-1110- Patti or email Phanks@live.con VISIT WITH Neighbors AND FRIENDS



JOIN THE FUN! Join our Community Events!

## What Will I Do With These Leftovers!

Thanksgiving is coming up and that always leaves us with the question of what to do with the leftovers! The day after Thanksgiving we will have a leftover party at Read Hall. Join us in time to be ready to eat at 5 pm with whatever you need to get rid of! Looks like we are having a Thanksgiving dinner at Read Hall, so any leftover turkey from that will probably show up. Green bean casserole always seems to multiply and is always left over! That's something that tastes better on the second day anyway! Whatever you have, we'll be glad to help you clean it up. Table service, coffee, tea, and water will be provided. If you want something else to drink, feel free to bring it. And if you don't have any



leftovers, feel free to make a little something to bring. It's always fun to get together to share a meal.







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# Dreamland Villa Quilting Club



by Becky Lamson

Our Photo is of a beautiful quilt made by our oldest club member Betty Sharpy. She did an outstanding job on this one and it will make some child very happy.

We have caught up on our quilt binding, so now we can get back into piecing quilt tops and work on a special project for sale at the Arts and Crafts Fair on December 2nd. The third Thursday meeting of each month is the day we work on special projects.

We're back on our winter schedule of meeting every week on Thursday from 1:00 to 4:00 pm at Read Hall. We will not meet on November 23rd, Thanksgiving Day. 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.

We will have quilt tops to bind and projects to sew. If you desire, bring

along an item to work on or for show and tell.

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### WET PAINT



By Alicia Short

### FLOWER ARRANGING CLASS

I'm so excited to announce that we have finally scheduled a flower-arranging class. It's a one-day class to be held on Thursday, November 16, starting at 10 am.

### BLOOMING MASTERPIECES: THE ART OF FLORAL DESIGN, \$40

Whether you dream of becoming a professional floral designer, want to enhance your home with beautiful arrangements, or simply seek a creative outlet, this floral design class is perfect for you. Join us as we unlock the secrets of floral artistry and let your imagination bloom as you create breathtaking arrangements that will leave a lasting impression. All flowers and materials are included.

About the Instructor: Krista Hampton is a respected local designer known nationwide in the floral industry. With 20-plus years of experience, she travels the country sharing her wealth of floral knowledge with professionals and novices alike.

Continuing in the fall will be:

### REGISTRATION DAY IS MONDAY, OCTOBER 30, 9:00-11:30 am

THURSDAY - 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

CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT GOURD CLASS- the first three Tuesdays in November, 9:00 am to Noon. The cost will be \$25 and includes all paints, supplies, tools, and gourds. Registration will be in the Art Room on October 30th. 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.

### **BEGINNING WATERCOLOR CLASS**

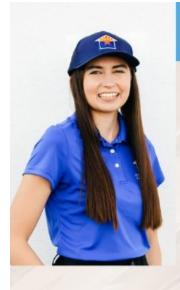
This class will be only for those who wish to learn beginning watercolor. Instructions and demos will be given for the wet in wet, the dry brush, glazing techniques, ink sketches, and watercolor. Students will complete simple watercolor painting after initial instruction is given.

This class will be on Tuesday afternoons from 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm starting November 7 and will run for 5 weeks. A fee of \$30 will be charged to cover some expenses but students will need their own supplies. A list of needed supplies can be obtained from Alicia Short, Contact info is below.

### ANY OTHER MEDIA AND MIXED MEDIA CLASSES

Wednesday morning – 9:00 am – 11:30 am beginning November 1, Acrylic Mixed Media – 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 November 1, classes will be for any media for those who are somewhat experienced painters. No instruction so this class will not have a charge. This will be offered starting the first week of November for 5 weeks.

Contact Alicia at aliciamshort01@gmail. com with ideas, suggestions, or interest in our classes.





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# Dreamland Villa Golf League



By Lu Wald

Our first game of the 2023-2024 golf season will be November 3rd at Desert Sands Golf Course, 74th Street and Baseline. Prior to the game, we will be meeting at noon at Fat Willy's restaurant, which is by the Viewpoint Golf Clubhouse, 650 N Hawes Rd, Mesa. If you have not already responded to the email sent to all members, or are new to the group, you may not be able to golf on the 3rd. However, please come to the meeting to learn all about our new location and pick up your copy of the rules and schedules. If you have any questions or concerns, please send an e-mail to koeniglana@yahoo.com.

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### **FUSED GLASS**

by David Senke

The great weather is back and we are seeing more members coming to Fused Glass. One Monday night we had 11 members show up to the shop. For some, it was their first time to try out this unique art form.

With the holidays right around the corner, many members are making pieces for gifts for friends and family. Members are always welcome to stop in to learn how to do Fused Glass during shop hours. It only takes about one-half hour to learn the basics.

Shop hours are Monday and Wednesday 9:30 am to 12:00 noon, 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm., and Monday nights from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Additional hours may become available and will be posted in the window of the shop.











See You at the Fused Glass Studio!



# Dreamland Villa Singles Club

By Lu Wald

Hope you all had a great October!!! We're so happy to see many of our winter visitors again. We kicked off our events in October with a great potluck, and then the following day 10 members were off for our 3-day trip to Flagstaff and the fall foliage drive through Oak Creek Canyon. Our dine-outs included lunch at Crackers, and dinner at Seafood Market. Several of us carpooled to a free concert at the Chandler Symphony and also Steele Magnolias at the Hale. We also drove up to Fountain Hills to spend a bit of time at the River of Time Museum. Our usual monthly gatherings included our meetings on the second and fourth Wednesdays, card

playing on each Tuesday afternoon, and Dominos on the fourth Wednesday evening. We have started playing Bocce ball and Cornhole.

November has us kicking off the month with a dine-out for lunch at Red White and Brew on the 2nd. Then our fall picnic takes place on the 7th (which will replace our monthly potluck). Since the event will be catered, we must have an exact count, so the deadline for signing up has passed. Speaking of eating, our dinner out will be at the Red Devil Pizza in Tempe on the 17th. Be sure to sign up for all dineouts in advance as the coordinators need time to schedule reservations and carpooling. The group will be heading to Gilbert for the monthly Hale Theater play on the 4th to see Fiddler On The Roof. Several will carpool to Chandler for the Symphony Concert on the 12th. On the 27th we'll head to the movie theater for our monthly movie, and on the 29th we head to Southern and Dobson to walk through the Mesa Rose Garden. Since the heat is leaving us, we will be playing

Bocce Ball on the 11th at 4:00 pm, and Cornhole on the 18th at 9:00 am. Feel free to come and join us.

We will hold elections at our first meeting this month. Please make it a point to attend. Nominees are Sydney Clark for President, Kathie Chismar for Vice President, Karolyn Grafton for Secretary, and Sue Shoemaker for Treasurer. Also, since our Christmas Party is on the 10th of December, be sure to come to a meeting or contact us to sign up, as there will be a deadline for that as well. Please refer to our calendars that are posted on the DVRC website, at Read Hall on our bulletin board, and at the office; or attend a meeting each 2nd and 4th Wednesday morning at 9:30 am. If you cannot attend a meeting, please come to a potluck to sign up and learn what is happening.

We hope to see everyone at the Special Board Meeting on the 4th at 9:00 am in Farnsworth Hall. HAPPY THANKS-GIVING EVERYONE!

# Dreamland Bowling League

By Cyndy Munday



Summer bowling ended Tuesday, Oct 24th. Winter League began Oct 27th at 3

Come on down if you are interested in subbing for our league. We need subs and would appreciate having you join us. East Mesa Bowling Alley is on Broadway just east of Ellsworth.

TOP BOWLERS

Week of Sep 5

Ted Modjeski 170, 175; Cindy Pena 191, 167; Steve Pena 19, 195, 181; Said Yaffar 187, 178; Jim Seamandel 180, 170; Jack Cregar 186, 178; Judy Sehulster 156; Jerry Cole 181, 208; Dan Jenkins 180

Week of Sep 12

Michelle Trentor 174; Sue Guinan 169; Said Yaffar 174; Sara Kempke 191; Cyn Munday 187; Jerry Cole 172, 202; Dan Jenkins 227, 190, 190; Eula Dobbins 168; Darlene Poynter 153; Steve Pena 168

Week of Sep 19

Jack Cregar 208, 180; Larry Reesa 189, 199, 196; Jerry Cole 193, Dan Griffiths 192, 183, 194; Jane Gilbert 157; Steve Pena 160, 187, 203; Dan Griffiths 172, 181; Darlene Poynter 164, 158; Said Yaffar 198, 172, 202; Nancy Cole 159

Week of Sep 26 (9 pin no tap)

Ted Modjeski 206, 191; Jane Gilbert 163, 185, 193; Eula Dobbins 158, 156; Jennifer Roberts 158; Dan Griffiths 176,

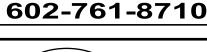
210; Steve Pena 207, 187, 193; Darlene Poynter 168, 186, 179; Cyn Munday 189, 194; Said Yaffar 217, 207, 205; Dave Cutler 166, 179; Roger Kaufman 188, 229; Marc Thompson 184; Dan Jenkins 203, 255, 221; Jerry Cole 201, 243, 182

SPLITS PICKED UP – Jack Cregar 3-10; Linda Busch 4-7-10; Eula Dobbins 3-10; Cyn Munday 3-10; Sara Kempke 5-7; Jerry Cole 3-10; Cyn Munday 5-10; Jerry Cole 3-10; Eula Dobbins 6-7-10; Jerry Cole 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.

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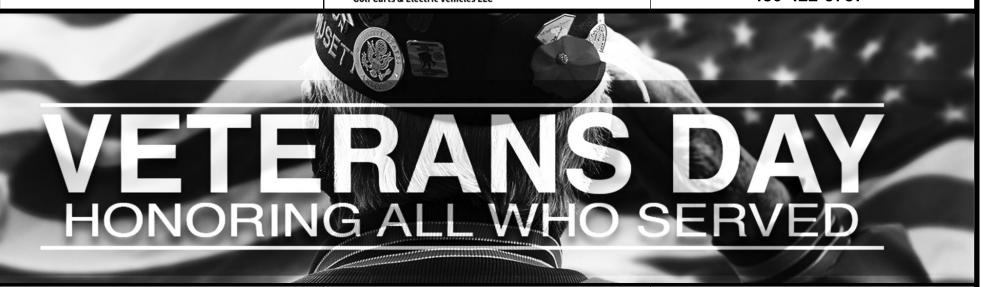
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### 2023

# **NOVEMBER MONTHLY EVENTS**

2023

### **LEGEND**

R - Read Hall

R-A - Read Hall Fellowship Room R-B - Read Hall Fellowship Room R -"\_\_" Read Hall Activity Room
R-O - Outdoor Activity
F - Farnsworth Hall
F-O - Farnsworth Outdoor Activity

For an up-to-date listing of current events and activities, please go to our website calendar: www.dreamlandvilla.org

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	<b>Q</b> C 1:00 - 4:00 PM	3	4
5	6	<b>7</b> Board Study Session 9:30 AM Singles Club Picnic	RH Pool Closed for Cleaning All Day Night Card Bingo 6:00 PM Singles Club Meeting 9:30 AM	9 Card Bingo 10:30 AM QC 1:00 - 4:00 PM	10	11 Coffee Social 7:30 - 9:00 AM Read Hall
12	13	<b>14</b> Board Meeting 9:30 AM	Senior Tech Computer Class 10:00 - 12:00 PM Farnsworth Hall Pool Closed for Cleaning All Day	Community Garage Sale QC 1:00 - 4:00 PM Old Timers Aquacise Reunion 1:15 PM Community Potluck 5:00 PM	17 Community Garage Sale	18 Community Garage Sale Pancake Breakfast 7:30 - 9:00 AM
19	20	21	22 Singles Club Meeting 9:30 AM	<b>23</b> Thanksgiving Dinner 4:00 - 7:00 PM	<b>24</b> Left Over Party 5:00 - 7:00 PM	<b>25</b> Coffee Social 7:30 - 9:00 AM
26	27	28	29	30	1	2 Craft Fair 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

November 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	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	
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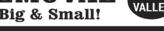
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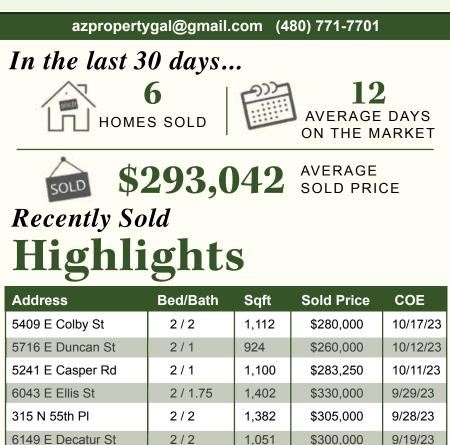
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