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IN BRIEFS

Singles Club Meetings
Wednesday, November
12th and 26th
9:30 am • Read Hall

**Holiday Craft Fair and
Bake Sale**
Saturday, November
22nd
9:00 am • Farnsworth
Hall

**Read Hall Pool
Maintenance**
Wednesday, November
12th • All Day

**Farnsworth Hall Pool
Maintenance**
Wednesday, November
19th • All Day

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER

By Lynda Leix

We will be having an all-community Thanksgiving dinner again this year. It will be on Thanksgiving Day, with serving starting about 4:00 pm. Doors will open at 3:30 pm. That should get the folks who don't drive after dark home in plenty of time. We will be charging \$5 again this year. It covered expenses last year, and, hopefully, prices will not have risen too much. Turkey and gravy will be provided, and guests will be asked to bring a dish to pass.

There will be a sign-up sheet available on the first of November with a space to sign up for what you would like to bring. There will also be some designated times when people will be available to accept your donation. So, please, watch the Facebook page, the Blast, and posters for further information.

Some of our fondest memories of family Thanksgivings were the games we played together after dinner. My family was heavy into pinochle and euchre. My husband's family

played Crazy Eights back when it was played with a regular deck of cards. All the women and kids old enough to follow the game played, and then, when they got the milking done, the men joined in. Can we try to recreate that fun feeling? I am sure the Hand, Foot, and Toe folks will be at it as soon as the dishes are cleared. Bring whatever your group likes to play and see if you can get some of the other attendees interested. Let's make it a Thanksgiving to remember.



President's Message

By Pat Clark

Hello everyone. Wow, it's November already, where did the Summer go? As I write this, I just conducted the first study session of the season. It was well attended, and there were some spirited discussions among the attendees on just about every item that was on the agenda. I hope to see this much member participation for the rest of the season at the study sessions. The board meetings are more formal and do not allow anywhere near as much audience input. This is your community club, and the members have a say in how it is operated. The Winter season at DVRC is starting. The Build Your Own Potato Bar was the last event for the summer, and was so popular that we had to cut off the attendance list at 100. It was a new record for an event at Read Hall.

Now that the Winter visitors are coming back, it's their turn to put on some events. We are looking forward to what they have planned.

November is the start of the annual nominations for the board season. Hopefully, by the time you

read this, we will have the nominating committee in place. There will be at least 3 openings on the board this year. If you are a member of DVRC, you are encouraged to think about running for a position on the board of directors.

We currently have 2 open seats on the board that need to be filled on an interim basis until the end of March. If you are a member of DVRC and are interested in serving for a few months, getting a feel for what it is to be a board member, please email me at president@dreamlandvilla.org.

We are going to be starting the annual membership renewal season very soon, so look for those annual payment forms to hit your mailboxes soon.

You are going to hear me say this for the rest of the renewal season and into the new year: Dreamland Villa is a federal government and Maricopa County-authorized 55+ community. It is governed by the HUD Housing for Older People Act (HOPA) and the Maricopa County senior overlay. The Dreamland Villa subdivision has a 501 C7 non-profit, private social club in which membership is available to those who reside in Dreamland Villa. The club is called the Dreamland Villa Retirement Community Inc. LLC,

or DVRC for short. As a 501 C7 the IRS dictates that we must provide activities and hobbies for its members, and has been deemed the entity responsible for maintaining the records that we have to prove to HUD and Maricopa County that we are in compliance with our 55+ senior overlay. In order to remain in compliance, at least 80% of the residences in Dreamland Villa must have a qualifying aged person residing in it. That requires us to get a senior affidavit from every single resident. So, if you are asked to, please fill one out for us. We aren't being nosy or want your personal info. It is mandated that we have one from you, the residents. DVRC also needs your continued financial support in order to keep the club alive and open. I don't wish to scare folks, but if DVRC closes its doors, there will be no other entity allowed to take over those record-keeping tasks that keep your neighborhood 55+. We will lose that status. We run off of membership revenue, and every year it goes down. Please, even if you don't use the amenities, but you moved here because of the 55+ status, we need your support, or the very reason you moved here will be lost.

That's it for this month. See you around the Villa!

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AROUND THE VILLA

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

By Megan Tackett

We're thrilled to announce the formation of the new Membership Committee, dedicated to supporting our vibrant community. Leading the charge is our Chairperson, Anne Tammaro, joined by a fantastic team of committee members:

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This committee will focus on the 2026 Membership Drive and Age Affidavit Verifications. Plus, we're rolling out new forms this November through the mail — keep an eye out for them in our email blast, the Citizen Newspaper, and on our Facebook Page!

If you have any questions or need assistance, feel free to reach out to any of us. We're here to help and look forward to making this year smooth and successful for everyone!



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2025 NOVEMBER MONTHLY EVENTS 2025						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26 (October)	27	28	29	30	31	1
2	3 <u>Singles Potluck</u> <u>5:30PM -</u>	4 <u>Board Study Session</u> <u>5:30pm</u>	5 <u>Night Card Bingo</u> <u>6:00PM -</u>	6	7	8 <u>Coffee Social</u> <u>7:30AM - 9:00AM</u>
9	10	11 <u>Board Meeting</u> <u>9:30AM - Bunco</u> <u>6:00PM -</u>	12 Read Hall Pool Maintenance	13	14	15
16	17	18	19 <u>Night Card Bingo</u> <u>6:00PM –</u> Farnsworth Pool Maintenance	20	21	22 <u>Coffee Social</u> <u>7:30AM - 9:00AM</u> <u>Holiday Craft Fair and Bake Sale</u> <u>9:00AM - 2:00PM</u>
23	24	25	26	27	28 <u>Bunco</u> <u>6:00PM -</u>	29
30	1 (December) <u>Singles Potluck</u> <u>5:30PM -</u>	2 <u>Board Study Session</u> <u>5:30pm</u>	3 <u>Night Card Bingo</u> <u>6:00PM -</u>	4	5	6

November 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 O Help Services 9:00 - Noon HS Wood Shop 9:00 - 11:30 R-10 Fused Glass 9:30 - Noon R-7	Aquacise 8:00 - 8:45 R-O Lapidary 8:00 - 11:30 R-6 Bocce Ball 9:00 - 11:00 F-O Fun Time Ceramics 9:00 - 1:00 R-7 Wood Shop 9:00 - 11:30 R-10	Aquacise 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 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 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 - 3:00 R-7 Wood Shop 1:00 - 3:30 R-10 Fused Glass 5:00 - 8:00 R-7 Pinochle 6:00 R-A	Cards - Bridge 12:30 R-B Cards-Hand, Foot and Toe 1:00 - 4:00 R-B Singles Cards 1:00 - 4:00 R-B Wood Shop 1:30 - 3:30 R-10 Men's Pickleball 6:00 - 8:00 R-O Texas Hold 'Em 6:00 R-8	Cards - Euchre 1:00 - 4:00 R-A Cards - Whist 1:00 - 4:00 R-B Fused Glass 1:00 - 3:00 R-7 Open Painting 1:00 R-5 Wood Shop 1:00 - 3:30 R-10 Senior Techies 4:00 R-9	Cards - 500 1:00 R-A Fiber Arts 1:00 - 3:00 R-5 Quilting Club 1:00 - 4:00 R Wood Shop 1:00 - 3:30 R-10 Ladies Golf 2:00 O Cards - Hand, Foot and Toe 6:00 - 8:00 R-A	Cards - Cribbage 1:00 R-B Wood Shop 1:00 - 3:30 R-10 Cards - Hand, Foot and Toe 6:00 - 8:00 R-A	Cards - Pinochle 1:00 R-B

AROUND THE VILLA



By Lewis (Lew) Hooser

We are back, and so is our president, Patty Thorpe. We are both in the swing of things, catching up with friends and getting things done to meet our obligation to all our returning winter visitors here in Dreamland Villa and our neighbors, Velda Rose Estates. We have a mission statement that I always read. It reads as follows: to provide the sick, injured, and convalescing residents of Dreamland Villa and Velda Rose Estates with sickroom and other health care equipment on a totally loan-free basis. This statement has been on the wall in our office since the day Help Services opened its doors. It reminds me why we are here and lets the newbies know what Help Services is all about. Remember, we have incontinence products when available.

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, beds, and tables and chairs, 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.

Remember, Help Services is financed solely by your donations and, as always, tax deductible. By the way, to declare your donation as tax-deductible, you will need to get a donation slip. Please ask us for one for your records. Our winter hours have started; Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday, 9:00 am to noon. Check us out on our web page www.HelpServicesInc.org. From our president, Patty Thorpe, and all the board members, and a big shoutout from all our great monitors, have a great Thanksgiving!

POSSE CORNER



By Joe Favazzo

Keeping Dreamland Villa Safe, Clean, and Bright

Dreamland Villa is a unique place—quiet streets, friendly neighbors, and a strong sense of pride in our community. But keeping it that way takes all of us doing our part. Here are a few important reminders to help us keep Dreamland Villa safe, clean, and well-lit.

Parking Codes

According to Maricopa County Code 10.20.030,

parking on public streets, rights-of-way, or publicly owned property is prohibited for more than 72 consecutive hours. Vehicles must also display current registration, and no one may park within 15 feet of a fire hydrant. These rules keep traffic moving smoothly and, most importantly, ensure emergency services can do their jobs when seconds count. Full details can be found at <https://maricopa.municipal.codes/MCC/10.20>

Junk and Debris

The Maricopa County Abatement Ordinance is designed to keep our neighborhoods safe and welcoming. That means properties should be maintained, free of junk, debris, or hazards that could create blight or health concerns. A tidy yard not only looks great but also preserves property values and keeps our neighborhood inviting for everyone.

Streetlight Outages

A working streetlight does more than guide your way home—it's a key part of neighborhood safety. If you notice a light out, take a moment to report it. Many of our lights are owned by SRP, and identifying them is simple: look for a number posted about 6–8 feet up on the pole. You can report outages online through the SRP "Report a Streetlight Outage" form, or by calling 602-236-8888 (available 24/7). Make sure to provide the exact location, including the nearest intersection and pole number if available.

By being mindful about parking, keeping properties neat, and reporting streetlight outages, we can all contribute to a safer, cleaner, and brighter Dreamland Villa. Let's continue working together to make our neighborhood a place we're proud to call home!

Year-Round Worker's Corner

By Megan Tackett

Whether you're crafting a routine for yourself or someone else, a senior working routine can blend productivity, comfort, and purpose beautifully. Here's a mix of practical and imaginative ideas tailored to different lifestyles and energy levels.

Morning Kickstart – Gentle activation, mental clarity, and physical comfort

- Stretch & Sip- 10-15 minutes of light stretching or chair yoga followed by a warm drink
- Mindful Moment – Journaling, gratitude list, or a short meditation
- Tech Check-In – Review calendar, emails, or family messages
- Brain Boost- A crossword, genealogy research, or a short article on a favorite topic

Midday Productivity Block

- Creative Projects- Photo enhancement, fantasy-themed crafts, or writing family stories
- Genealogy Deep Dive- Organize records, annotate photos, or explore archives
- Tech Tasks- Tweak device settings, optimize workspace ergonomics, or troubleshoot something new
- Volunteer or Consulting- Remote mentoring, historical society contributions, or community outreach – we need volunteers for this at Dreamland
- Culinary Play- Prep a simple lunch with a twist -like a themed recipe or nostalgic dish

Afternoon Ease & Engagement – Light activity, social connection, or sensory enjoyment. Read Hall has activities in the afternoons and evenings

- Playlist Time – Curate or enjoy upbeat, nostalgic music -maybe themed by decade or mood
- Video Chat or Calls- Connect with family or friends, share updates or stories
- Mini Projects-Organize a drawer, scan old photos, or label keepsakes with stories

Evening Wind-Down-Comfort, reflection, and rest

- Gentle Movement-Tai chi, slow dancing to music, or guided stretching
- Entertainment-Watch a favorite show, listen to a podcast, or read aloud
- Reflection Ritual-Light a candle, review the day, or add a note to a memory journal
- Comfort Prep-Adjust lighting, prep devices for sleep mode, and set up for tomorrow

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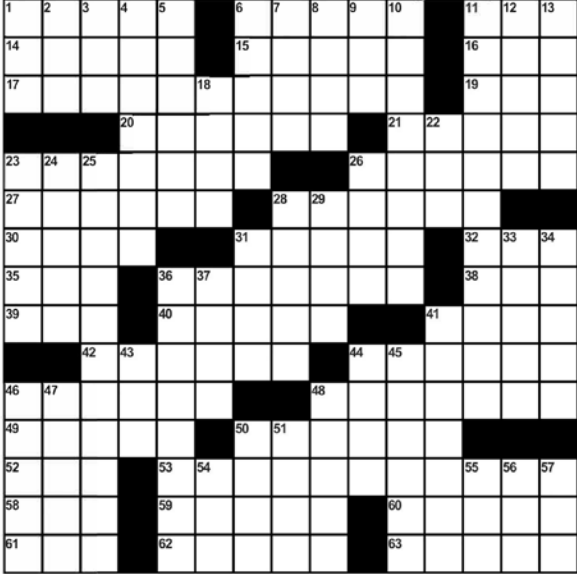
ACROSS

- 1) It's good if you don't strike
- 6) In spite of the fact that, briefly
- 11) Fox rival
- 14) Brown, Yale, etc.
- 15) Cylindrical fastener
- 16) Statute
- 17) Quick winnings provider, sometimes
- 19) Cinnabar, for one
- 20) Exuberant-sounding mackerels?
- 21) Small sample
- 23) What hiring your son is
- 26) NYPD descriptor
- 27) React to an effective alarm
- 28) Barnard College grad, for one
- 30) Monopoly requirement
- 31) Whimsical garden figurine
- 32) One-customer link
- 35) Squid's weapon
- 36) Smaller and rounder, as eyes
- 38) Infamous horde member
- 39) Title of respect, abroad
- 40) Air freshener targets
- 41) Breathe rapidly
- 42) Fountain sound
- 44) Quick look
- 46) Not sympathetic
- 48) Hopped on, as a train
- 49) Battlefield healer
- 50) Forty winks, in Mexico
- 52) "We ___ not amused"
- 53) Heeds "heads up!"
- 58) William McKinley's wife
- 59) Blue eyes or baldness, e.g.
- 60) ___ date (makes wedding plans)
- 61) Zero, in soccer
- 62) Have a funny feeling
- 63) Halloween trick alternative

DOWN

- 1) Bro's sib
- 2) Plumber's pipe material (Abbr.)
- 3) Expose to public view
- 4) Did 27-Across again?
- 5) Landed property
- 6) Committee type
- 7) Plumb crazy
- 8) "Jabberwocky" beginning
- 9) Female pronoun
- 10) Veteran
- 11) Nearby
- 12) Conner and Starr
- 13) Sugary
- 18) Face part
- 22) Landers who offers advice
- 23) Comaneci of Olympics fame
- 24) "Dallas" family name
- 25) Flight, hotel and rental car together, e.g.
- 26) Act incensed
- 28) "The Giant" of wrestling fame
- 29) Superman's Lane
- 31) London hoosegow
- 33) 1/16 of a pound
- 34) Helped a pot, in a way
- 36) Russian soups
- 37) Borderline
- 41) St. Patrick's Day celebrant
- 43) William Tell's canton
- 44) "Gee whillikers!"
- 45) Most recent
- 46) With masts fully extended
- 47) "Rigoletto" composer
- 48) Midler or Davis
- 50) Laurel or Musial
- 51) Wife of Osiris
- 54) Great fury
- 55) Summer on the Riviera
- 56) Jefferson Davis' gov.
- 57) Kit ___ (candy bar brand)

SHUFFLE OFF



Answers on page 12

Book Review

By Anita Thompson

A Council of Dolls by Mona Susan Power

This book is historical fiction about 3 Indian girls: one in the 1960s, one in the 1930s, and one in 1900. They are actually Grandmother, daughter, and granddaughter. They each have a doll that becomes very important to them and to the story. Sissy, born in 1961, has a doll named Ethel who whispers advice and kindness, and at one point, maybe even saves Sissy's life. Lillian, born in the 1920s, was raised on the reservation, but she was sent far away to an Indian Boarding school where terrible things were happening, and her doll, Mae, finds a way to defend the girls. Cora was born in 1888, just after the genocidal Indian Wars. She is taken away from her family to be "civilized". Teachers take away her beloved buckskin doll, Winona, but Cora discovers the spirit of Winona is not lost. Later in life, Sissy changes her name to Jesse, becomes a writer, and ties it all together in a beautiful story. Made me sad at the terrible injustices we did to the American Indians, but it was a really interesting book. A quote that stuck with me is "Racism follows you wherever you go, into your future, into your soul."

BOOK CLUB

By Anita Thompson

It's time for us winter residents to think about heading south, so it's time for the book club to start again. For me, the summer went by really quickly. I hope you have all had a good summer, and I am looking forward to seeing everyone again. The first meeting will be as usual, the second Thursday of the month, November 13th. It will be at Anita's home, 6634 E El Paso, at 3:00 pm. We will discuss books we read over the summer and would recommend to others. The second meeting will be on December 11, same time, same place. Everyone is welcome.

Minnesota Potluck

By Andrea Hill

Hello, all you smart Minnesotans who know that spending winters up north is unhealthy for living things and old people. Welcome back to Dreamland Villa! Looking forward to seeing you all again and eating your wonderful dishes. Not the paper or plastic ones, the ones that are food.

Our potlucks are held at Read Hall on the second Thursday of each month. The first one lands on November 13. Doors open at 5:15 pm, and we eat at 5:30 pm. Bring your best contribution to serve eight to ten people, your own plate, and eating utensils. You may bring your own drink if you like, and coffee and tea will be provided. There are some canned and bottled drinks in the kitchen for a small fee. Dump your cash in the box marked "PAY HERE". Really, I don't recall what the box says.

Mark your calendars for our potlucks this winter: November 13, December 11, January 8, February 12, and March 12.



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.

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EVENTS

Mingle & Jingle

By Deb Warren

Our 4th Annual Mingle & Ugly Sweater Contest will be on Friday, December 19th. Doors open at 5:30 pm.

There will be Music and Karaoke, Lots of food, fun and games, Gift baskets, a 50/50 raffle, and Door Prizes! You don't want to miss out!

Ticket donations will be \$5 for Members and \$10 for Guests. There will be plenty of food, but your favorite appetizers and desserts are welcome. Please call Dave or Deb Warren at 508- 615-4123 if you would like to volunteer to help.

This is a BYOB Event.

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Friday, Dec. 19, 2025

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A sign-up sheet for a side dish to share will be in the office after November 1!

All are welcome (you do not need a kee card to participate).

Enjoy dinner, games, cards, and friends!

All for a nominal fee of \$5!

Times to accept your donation will be announced soon!

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This season is starting on Monday, November 10, 2025 with our first tee time 12:15 pm!

- Meet every Monday at 11:45 am
- November through April
- Sunland Springs Golf Course, 11061 E Medina Ave, Mesa

Great News!! We have a new location for our 2025-2026 season: Sunland Springs Golf Course. They have 3 beautiful 9 holes, and the league will be playing all three courses on a rotation. The course fee will be fairly similar to our previous cost and the 3 courses are all beautifully maintained courses.

On November 10th we will be holding a league meeting and breakfast at Fat Willy's at View Point at 9:30 am to go through all of the information for the new golf season. If you want to join the Golf League or have any question, please call or text Lana Koenig at 602-363-0347.



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Dreamland Villa Quilting Club



By Becky Lamson

This month's quilt photo is a quilt that was started by a member of Dreamland Villa and donated to our club. We finished piecing and quilting it as a group project. It will be donated to one of our charity groups

We are on our winter schedule, meeting each week on Thursdays, 1:00 to 4:00 pm, at Read Hall. We continue to work on special projects, piecing quilt tops, stitching borders onto the quilts, and we do a lot of socializing. On November 20, we will be meeting from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm to work on a pillowcase project that will be donated to Helen's Hope Chest, going to foster children of the Valley.

You are always welcome to bring one of your projects to finish, or an item for Show and Tell.

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

Quilter's quote: "The best antidepressant is a sewing machine and a room full of fabric."

Desert Walkers

By Pat Dinsmore

The summer months of 2025 flew by in Minnesota. Many areas had significant rain throughout the summer, and the last week of September and 1st week of October had record-breaking heat. Overall, it was a great summer for enjoying the lakes. The Canadian Geese and the Common Loons (the birds, not the residents!) have left our cold waters and have migrated south and east, so it's a sure sign that we Snowbirds should head south as well.

Last spring, as we had a picnic at Red Mountain Park, we had a discussion about changing the day of our walks to the mornings on the first and third Thursdays of each month. We will start our season on the 1st Thursday of November, which is November 6th. Per usual, we will meet at the west end of the Farnsworth Hall parking lot at 9:00 am to carpool to the Riparian Preserve at Water Ranch at 2757 E. Guadalupe Rd, Gilbert. We will have a picnic lunch and plan the 2025-2026 winter season. We'll be looking for new ideas and suggestions for some of our old favorite places to walk. Bring your own picnic lunch and beverage, wear appropriate clothing and shoes. Bring a walking stick if you desire, although the trails at this park are very flat and several are paved. New members are welcome. Hope to see many of you on Thursday, November 6th.

Sudoku Puzzle

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Fused Glass

By David Senke

The weather is changing, and so is the atmosphere in Fused Glass. It looks like a lot of projects were completed this past summer thanks to the guidance of Cyn Munday. Many different items can be created in our Fused Glass classes, and it is not too difficult to learn. Stop by the shop/studio and look at all the projects displayed in the windows.

Fused Glass is a unique art form and is easy to learn. A monitor is on duty when the shop/studio is open to show you around and explain the process.

The studio/shop is open: Monday and Wednesday – 9:30 am to Noon and 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. It is also open Monday night from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Pictures are items made in Fused Glass by DVRC members.



BRIDGE CLUB

By Donna Espey

The Bridge Club is looking for new players. We play on Tuesdays at 1:00 pm. We play social bridge and are friendly. If you are interested in playing bridge but haven't played for a while, or think you would like to learn how to play, please contact Donna Espey at 480-218-7330. You can text or leave a message. I'm looking forward to hearing from you!



Dreamland Bowling League

By Cyndy Munday

Summer is over, and we are beginning our Winter League play on Friday, Nov 7, at 3:00 pm. It is always nice to have our snowbirds back with us; they are missed over the summer months. We are located on Broadway just east of Ellsworth on the north side of the road at East Mesa Bowl.



Congrats to all our bowlers who did so well on the 9-pin day. Dan Griffiths (98 years old) made a 278 and had 7 strikes in a row. He was not the only one, but it was fun to see.

We are always in need of subs, so if you are interested in being a sub, please give me a call.

Top Bowlers for Week of 9-2:

Said Yaffar 630; Darlene Poynter 582; Dan Jenkins 584; Vicky Hopkins 594; Cyndy Munday 578; Wayne Herreman 659; Brian Wheeler 598

Week of 9-9:

Said Yaffar 580; Vicki Hopkins 667; Jon Hopkins 646; Dan Jenkins 575; Dan Griffiths 574; Patty Kaufman 561; Sara Kempke 590

Week of 9-16:

Vicky Hopkins 571; Jon Hopkins 578; Dan Griffiths 605; Brian Wheeler 599; Wayne Herreman 611; Jeff Wallace 599; Cindy Pena 568

Week 9-23:

Dan Griffiths 590; Sara Kempke 606; Darlene Poynter 568; Vicky Hopkins 594; Cindy Pena 613; Roger Kaufman 559; Steve Pena 598

Week: 9-30 (9 pin no tap)

Dan Griffiths 776; Sara Kempke 711; Dan Jenkins 179; Roger Kaufman 761; Jon Hopkins 767; John Henderson 855; Larry Ressa 769

Splits picked up:

Steve Pena 2-7-8; Patty Kaufman 4-5-7; Larry Ressa 3-10; Nancy Cole 3-10; Steve Pena 2-7-9; Dan Griffiths 5-7; Brian Wheeler 5-10; Wayne Herreman 5-6 & 2-7; Larry Ressa 5-6-10; Patty Kaufman 3-10; Sara Kempke 3-10

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DREAMLAND SINGLES CLUB

By Lu Wald

With Halloween now behind us, it's time to look forward to our winter events that everyone enjoys! The annual fall picnic is first on the list and is happening on the 3rd. Although we can't accept any more for this event, please know that the Christmas Party is also catered and will take place on December 6th, so make sure to reserve your meal soon! Our dine-outs for this month include lunch at 4 Peaks Co. Brewery in Tempe on the 7th and dinner at Cheddar's in Chandler on the 18th. Remember to notify the coordinator before you come, as we need to make reservations. We'll be heading to the Hale Theater in Gilbert on the 1st for the play *Singing in the Rain* and to Chandler for the Symphony concert on the 9th. A group of us will be carpooling to the Cottonwood area to enjoy the Out of Africa Zoo on the 14th. If interested, contact us now. With so many

community events happening that are noted on our calendar this month, we're allowing time for our members to attend these, which include: Pie Festival, sponsored by Archwell on the 4th, a trip to Mazatzal casino on the 8th, the Pancake Breakfast on the 15th; plus weekly card bingo and cornhole at Read Hall. We will also enjoy the Holiday Craft Fair and Bake Sale at Farnsworth on the 22nd and the Thanksgiving Dinner at Read Hall on the 27th. We need volunteers for both. Please sign up or call us. There are contacts listed on the second page (back page) of our calendars. Our nominating committee presented a roster of candidates at the first October meeting as follows: President: Anita Brown, Vice-president: Debra Bunten, Treasurer: Audrey Hayes, Secretary: Karolyn Grafton.

December looks a bit busy, as well. There will be no potluck dinner on the first Monday in December because

on the 6th, we'll be having our annual Christmas Party with a wonderful catered dinner, games, and prizes for everyone. On the 13th, we'll join the community and head to Barleen's for lunch and a show, and on the 14th, we'll be heading to Chandler for the Spirit of Christmas concert.

Come join us; annual dues are only \$15, but you do have to be a Kee cardholder to join. The winter months always have many activities on the calendar, so instead of sitting home alone, come and enjoy life with us. To learn more, come to one of our potluck dinners on the first Monday of the month at 5:30 pm, or our meetings on the second and fourth Wednesdays at 9:30 am. Check our calendars found as a link on the e-mail blast and the Dreamland web page, and also at the office and on the bulletin board in Read Hall.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO ALL!!

Poker Returns

By Jeff Clapham

The Poker Players of Dreamland Villa have resumed play. We play Texas Hold 'em on Tuesday evenings starting at 6:00 pm sharp (even better to be 5 or 10 minutes early). We play Nickel poker on Fridays at 10:00 am and like to play up until 2:00 pm.

We're not high stakes, we're just out to have fun. Stop by the poker room (B-8) at Read Hall and check it out.



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ART ROOM SCHEDULE –NOVEMBER

Welcome home, winter visitors.

The art room is a great place to hold a craft program, an art class, or a special project event. I would like to welcome ideas for using this room more often. All mornings are open and some afternoons. Saturday is available for something fun too.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS – OPEN PAINTING- NO COST.

1:00 pm – 3:30 pm Continuing Wednesdays.

No instructions, just paint or work on a craft project, and join the fellowship of others who like to be creative. You will need all your own supplies. Please let me know in advance if you plan to attend. Alicia at aliciamshort01@gmail.com.

TUESDAY AFTERNOONS – NEEDLE WORKERS- NO COST.

1:00 pm – 3:30 pm For those who enjoy knitting, crocheting, and embroidery work, and would like to “play” together. No instructions will be given, but it is a time to get inspired, meet new people, and enjoy your projects. Contact Cathy Kane with questions and to indicate your interest. Cathykane57@gmail.com.

POTENTIAL SATURDAY MORNING CRAFT WORKSHOPS

10:00 am – noon. I would be interested to see if anyone would like to meet on Saturday mornings for a craft project using papers, air-dry clay, or doing a collage painting with papers, perhaps other things. Please contact me at the email address below with your interest and possible ideas. The cost of materials would be needed.

We are looking for leaders for more crafts and art classes or get-togethers in the art room. For open days and times, contact Alicia. Contact Alicia at aliciamshort01@gmail.com with ideas, suggestions, or interest in our classes.

Sr. Techies Computer Club

By Megan Tackett

This month’s article is about the Microsoft Casual Games: A legacy of Leisure and Logic, keeping our minds sharp and in focus as we age. Here are the cognitive benefits of games for Seniors.

Memory Boost

Sharper Thinking * Processing Speed
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The best Microsoft casual gaming suite includes beloved titles like:

Microsoft Solitaire Collection – Featuring five card games like Klondike, Spider, FreeCell, Pyramid, and TriPeaks, this collection is still one of the most played computer, tablet, and phone games of all time.

Minesweeper – The legendary logic puzzle includes an Adventure mode.

Mahjong – A visually rich tile-matching game with intuitive controls.

Jigsaw – Offers downloadable puzzle packs and the ability to create custom puzzles.

Sudoku – With multiple difficulty levels and fresh daily challenges, it’s a brain workout for all ages.

Ultimate Word Games and Wordament – Perfect for vocabulary buffs and competitive wordplay.

Microsoft Casual Games aren’t just about passing time-they’re about engagement, challenge, and even community. Daily challenges and leaderboards keep players coming back, while intuitive controls make them accessible to all seniors.

Whether you’re unwinding after a long day or flexing mental muscles, these games offer a timeless blend of fun and focus. My husband, Mike, has been doing crossword puzzles for 24 years, and I have had solitaire and Minesweeper on my PCs since March of 1990, then the Microsoft Casual Games since 2012 when they came out.

Here is the November Class Schedule for the Sr. Techie Club. We meet at 4:00 pm in room 9.

November 5- Bring your phones or tablets to learn about games

November 12- How to create templates

November 19- Guest Speaker Chris Tucker, Genealogy class

November 26- Happy Thanksgiving. No class this week



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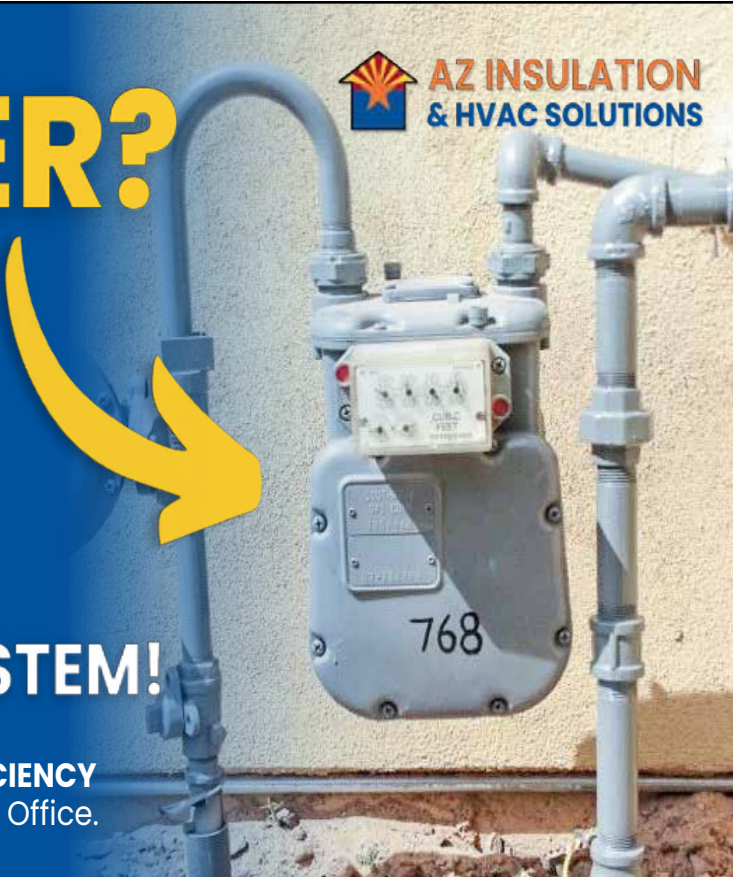
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