

**DESERT HARBOR
NEWSLETTER
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HAVE A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!

SPECIAL INVITATION: SPAGHETTI DINNER WITH ENTERTAINMENT ON JANUARY 27TH AT 6:pm. TICKETS WILL BE SOLD BY ALL BOARD MEMBERS FOR \$6.00 EACH, OR \$7.00 AT THE DOOR - SO GET YOUR TICKETS EARLY! Don't miss this special event!

DESERT HARBOR ACTIVITY OFFICERS:

President: Joe Schnier # 146

Vice-President: Dave Blomeyer # 58

Treasurer: Dick Smith # 74

Secretary: Jackie Bowman # 102

Board Member: Mary Lou Croyle # 120

Board Member: Esther Lough # 123

Board Member: Bob Mueller # 108

CONGRATUATIONS TO OUR NEW PRESIDENT, JOE SCHNIER, OUR NEW VICE-PRESIDENT, DAVE BLOWMEYER. AND OUR NEWEST BOARD MEMBER, MARY LOU CROYLE.

COMMUNITY REMINDERS: PLEASE READ

- **HOSTS NEEDED FOR COFFEE AND DONUTS:** A sign up sheet to host coffee and donuts on Saturday mornings is posted in the clubhouse. The hosts are responsible for setting up the coffee and for picking up the donuts. You will be reimbursed by the Activity Organization for the price of the donuts. The donuts are to be ordered by Thursday at Basha's. Be sure to mention you are ordering for Desert Harbor for a discount.
- **WE NEED** at least two volunteer couples each month to host the potluck. This involves making the coffee, washing the tables down after dinner, cleaning the kitchen as needed, and taking the soiled linens home to wash and return to the clubhouse. Sign up in the clubhouse
- **DON'T FORGET THE APACHE JUNTION ANIMAL SHELTER** needs our help all year long. They need cleaning supplies, bedding materials, toys etc. Let's help take care of those who cannot take care of themselves. You can give any of these items to Harry and Barbie Davis, Lot 94, and they will deliver them to the shelter.
- **RESPECT THE 15 MPH** speed limit and remind your guests.
- **RECYCLE YOUR NEWSPAPERS.** We deposit this money into our activity fund. Remember to break down boxes prior to placing them in the recycle bin.
- **THIS IS OUR NEWSLETTER.** Do you have something to sell, something to celebrate, or something you want to share with the community? Your contributions are what make our newsletter different from all the others.
- **GET YOUR DESERT HARBOR PHONE BOOK** from Hank Hilliard, Lot # 101, or call him at 480-671-1330. They are \$.50 each - to help with the costs of printing.

- **DON'T FORGET** the food barrel and used clothing barrel in the clubhouse. Especially this time of year, we must remember those who need our help. Please donate as much as you can and it will be delivered to charitable organizations in Apache Junction.
- **SPECIAL REMINDER TO PET OWNERS:** Please do not walk your pets in, on, or around the community golf course. This area is specifically off-limits to animals. Animals are to be walked in the **MIDDLE** of the streets, not along the sides where they can smell and/or urinate on other people's property lines. There is a \$50. fine for not cleaning up after your pet. Grab the leash - grab a bag.
- **CHECK YOUR CALENDARS** for all the activities offered in the community.
- **SPECIAL MEMO:** When entering the community after the front gate is closed, please be cautious about opening the gate for other cars that are not Desert Harbor residents. The gate is closed to keep our community safe.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Pat Estes 5
 Esther Lough 12
 Elaine Kereluk 12
 Reni Dieball 17
 Margaret Poshka 17
 Dean Johnson 19
 Ed Croyle 23
 James Campbell 27
 Dorothy Bowles 31

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Ronnie and Pat Estes 1
 Earl and Alice Shively 11
 Gene and Mary Pat Summers 22
 Steve and Peggy Ziegele 25

WINNERS OF THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DECORATING CONTEST:

- First Place: Don and Barbara Boyer # 135 \$75.00**
Second Place: Harry and Barbie Davies # 94 \$50.00
Third place: Richard and Janis Whitemarsh # 49 \$25.00

Our community always looks so beautiful at Christmas. Thanks to all the spirited residents who decorated their homes for this special time of year. And a big "thank you" to all the volunteers who decorated the clubhouse for all of us to enjoy.

DESERT HARBOR NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

On December 31st, we will be ringing in the New Year in our very own clubhouse. Come join the party beginning at 8: PM, refreshments will be served. Sign up in the clubhouse if you plan to attend.

NOTE TO NEW RESIDENTS:

DO I HAVE YOUR birthday and anniversary information? Call Sandy Carmon at 480-671-1444, or email me at sandracarmon@yahoo.com so I can include you in this monthly recognition. Also, we would like to have your email addresses and phone numbers. There are times we need to send out unexpected news or information and this will help us to bring these to you more quickly. Please send your email information to Jackie Watts at jwatts4759@msn.com, or call her at 480-361-4759. Your phone numbers may be sent to Hank Hilliard at hankjh101@yahoo.com. or call him at 480-671-1330. Thanks to all of you who have given us your information.

WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS: We are so glad to have you here and part of our Desert Harbor family. Please come join the many activities offered in the community so everyone can meet you.

NOVEMBER: DECEMBER:

Greg and Lois Hoffman # 138

Clyde and Joan Preston # 167

Robert and Betty Grafitti # 159

Cletus and Mary Walsh # 137

Theodore and Dorothy Mueller # 155

Robert and Francis LeVeque # 162

Jose Lanuza # 132

Larry and Judith Oeltjenbruns # 157

RESIDENT NAME BADGES: To order your personal Name Badge, see Ron Ruetz, Lot # 73, or call him at 480-983-6151. These badges are \$3.25 each and are so nice to have at our community activities. They really help the new residents learn everyone's name and feel part of the Desert Harbor family

MONTHLY EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING: Saturday, January 27th, at 9:00 AM. This meeting is for the officers and board members unless a resident has something they wish to bring before the board.

MONTHLY RESIDENT MEETING: Saturday, January 6th, at 9: AM. Plan to attend the monthly meeting and be involved and informed with your community. All residents are encouraged to attend.

JANUARY LADIES LUNCH: Tuesday, January 16th. Sign up in the clubhouse if you plan to attend.

JANUARY PANCAKE BREAKFAST: Saturday, January 13th at 7:30 AM Sign up in the clubhouse if you plan to attend.

ICE CREAM/CAKE SOCIAL AND BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION: Saturday, January 13th, at 6:PM. The birthday people for the month will receive their cake and ice cream free. A donation of \$.50 cents for ice cream and \$1.50 for a sundae is requested. Bring your own bowl and spoon. We need volunteers to bake the cakes for this celebration.

JANUARY CASINO TRIP: On Wednesday, the 17th we will be going to Harrah's. Check in time is 8:45 AM. Note on the sign up sheet if you have a Player's Card, or let Celine know if you need a card so you can get your \$10.00. on arrival. Bingo starts at approximately NOON. Please sign up in the clubhouse if you plan to go. If you have any questions, call Celine at 480-982-1618.

OTHER TOURS: Celine posted several tours coming up in the future. Check the bulletin board and TARA Travel Book. Let Celine know if you are interested in any of these tours. If we can get 10 or more people from our community, the bus may pick up here at Desert Harbor. See book for more.

Examples:

Starts On Ice January 26th - Phoenix Coyotes January 15th - Tubac Festival of the Arts February 9th

SHUFFLEBOARD: Thursday mornings at 10:AM. If you've never played before come anyway and we'll teach you. It's all about having fun.

WATER EXERCISES: Monday thru Friday at 10: AM. Thank you to Jackie Watts for volunteering her time to lead this exercise class.

TAI CHI: Monday and Thursday mornings at 9: AM. Come on down to the clubhouse and enjoy this gentle and beneficial exercise. Thanks to Dick Smith for volunteering his time and talent to teach this class.

LINE DANCING: Wednesday mornings at 9: AM. Thanks again to Mary Pat for her supreme patience and teaching skills. It's a whole lot of fun - and great exercise.

STITCH, CRAFT, AND CHAT: Wednesday evenings at 6:30 PM. Just bring your favorite craft or hobby and come join us for a great evening of crafting and chatting.

GENEALOGY CLASSES: Friday's at 1: PM in the clubhouse. If you are interested in learning more about your ancestors, come on down and join this group.

CARD BINGO: January 6th at 7: PM. Everyone is welcome. Come and bring a friend! If you are going to play, you need to bring 20 dimes and 2 quarters with you. See you there!

N.D.Q. POKER: Tuesday evenings at 6:30 PM. This is nickel, dime, and quarter poker open to **both men and women.**

FREE SENIOR DAY AT THE MOVIES: Be sure to check the dry erase board at the clubhouse or go online at seniordayatthemovies.com for the day and time of the monthly movie. Be sure to take advantage of this! They have raffles and contests where participants can win great prizes. The movie is at the Harkins Theater on Superstition Springs Blvd. in Mesa. The secret word here is **FREE**, and it's always one of the good movies.

MONTHLY RAFFLE: \$50. CASH ! The drawing will take place at the monthly **Resident Meeting**. You will have one month to purchase your tickets from Esther Lough, Lot 123. The tickets will be sold for \$1.00 each or 6 tickets for \$5.00. If the winner is not present, the winning ticket number will be posted on the dry erase board outside the clubhouse. December's winner was Jane Boudreau, # 179.

SUGGESTION BOX: A Suggestion Box has been placed in the clubhouse. **This is for activity suggestions only.** Joe Schnier, our community President, will be responsible for collecting the suggestions and then presenting them to the board and to the residents for review.

MAP OF RESIDENT'S HOMETOWNS: Jim (Mac) McKersie has graciously volunteered to create a map for the clubhouse that will pinpoint the hometown of every resident in the community. Jim will be placing pins with lot numbers on the map. Please call Jim at 480-288-9531, or email him at kmckersie@msn.com and give him this vital information so we can all be included in this project. A big **THANKS** to Jim for his time and effort.

CRIBBAGE: January 2nd and January 16th at 1: PM. Please sign up in the clubhouse if you are interested in playing. Bring 5 quarters for investment purposes!!

COMMUNITY RECIPE BOOK: Don Walker, Lot # 206, has generously volunteered to undertake this project. Give her as many recipes as you can to help us get this project going again in full force. If you need additional information, you may call Don at 480-288-5686, or email her at desharb206@msn.com. Additional recipe forms are in the craft room for your convenience.

BRIDGE ANYONE? If you would be interested in playing Bridge, please contact Larry Lepic at 480-288-1565. Hopefully we have enough new residents now and can get a Bridge Club going.

READY TO JAM? Call Al Potratz at 480-983-4749. You don't have to be good, you just have to be ready to have some fun. If you play an instrument, keyboard, or strings, bring them on down and do some jamming!

SUPERSTITION MOUNTAIN MENTAL HEALTH CARE FACILITY needs your donations of small bars of soap, shampoo, and other hygiene products like you get in motels/hotels. This facility takes in anyone who needs help. Call Celine at 982-1618, or take them to her at Lot # 106.

NEW OR USED GREETING CARDS NEEDED: Sunshine Acres, a residential home for children, needs your new or used cards. They can use Christmas cards, Birthday cards, any kind at all. The children use only the fronts for several projects. Please put your cards in the basket in the clubhouse.

GET YOUR VIN NUMBER ETCHED ON YOUR VEHICLE WINDOWS FOR FREE: On Wednesday, January 17th, starting at 10: AM until done, the Apache Junction Police Department will be etching VIN

numbers on vehicle windows for **FREE** behind the clubhouse. Be sure to take advantage of this opportunity to protect your vehicle from theft. A sign up sheet is posted in the clubhouse. A huge **THANK YOU** to Joe Patricca for arranging for our community to receive this service.

55 ALIVE, SPONSORED BY AARP: On January 23rd and January 24th from 8: AM to 12: PM, AARP will be providing a Driver Safety course here at the Desert Harbor Clubhouse. The course runs **BOTH** days at a cost of \$10.00 per person. At the end of the course on the second day the participants will receive a voucher to present to their auto insurance companies. Depending on your insurance company, you may save money on your premiums (for a period of 3 years). The course is limited to 35 people. A sign up sheet is posted in the clubhouse for all residents who would like to attend.

THE COMMUNITY EXTENDS ITS DEEPEST CONDOLENCES to Jim and Karen Stephens (# 156) on the loss of Jim's father in early December. May the Lord bless you with His mercy and grace and bring you much comfort with His love. Just know that your friends and neighbors have you deep in their thoughts and prayers.

OUR GET WELL WISHES GO OUT TO: Deanna Fisher (# 78) as she continues chemotherapy treatment. Natalie Martinez (# 199) is now home recovering from heart surgery and we wish her a speedy recovery. Betty Cuevas (#113) is doing much better now and able to get out and about. We also want to send Richard Whitmarsh (# 49) a get well wish for a speedy recovery. Carol Hobson (# 35) had surgery and we hope she'll be doing better very soon. If I have missed anyone that needs our get well wishes, please let me know.

FOR SALE: Kitchen set, table with leaf and 4 chairs, \$30. Call Al Pein (lot 53) at 983-9304.

FOR SALE: Maytag washer and dryer (electric), 7 months old. \$500. firm. Call Al Pein (lot 53) at 983-9304.

LIFE AFTER SIXTY...

As I was watching a couples' ice skating competition on TV, my great-granddaughter, April, came into the room. During a particularly good lift, the crowd applauded wildly, and she asked in her innocence, "Are they clapping because she's showing her underwear?"

DID YOU KNOW...?

The first novel ever written on a typewriter was...Tom Sawyer.

If a statue in the park of a person on a horse has both front legs in the air, the person died in battle. If the horse has one front leg in the air, the person died as a result of wounds received in battle. If the horse has all four legs on the ground, the person died of natural causes.

What do bulletproof vests, fire escapes, windshield wipers, and laser printers all have in common? All were invented by women.

The San Francisco Cable cars are the only mobile National Monument.