

# HARBOR LIGHTS

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newsletter

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Apache Junction, AZ

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## LABOR DAY CELEBRATIONS

By Jan Ginsburg

**Labor Day** will be celebrated on Monday, September 6 this year and when I decided to do the article to cover this holiday, I decided everyone pretty much knows how and when Labor Day began. Besides, I did cover that in last year's September, 2009 Harbor Lights issue and no sense repeating myself.

(If you are interested, that article can be found on our archived issues on our website, [www.desertharboraz.com](http://www.desertharboraz.com). A Labor Day party is a weekend event. Not only do we celebrate Labor Day, we celebrate all weekend before school begins, (although in most school districts now school is already in session!), the weather cools, and the pace of life picks up again.

I recently read on the internet and will quote, "Labor Day is dedicated to the American worker who puts in long hours dedicated to preserving a way of life by selflessly endeavoring to promote the prosperity and growth of a nation proudly, through their efforts. In recognition of this dedicated way of life, a Labor Day Party is a fitting tribute to workers from all walks of life." Here at Desert Harbor most of the residents, have the privilege of already being retired, or are continuing to work towards that goal. That is why we as Americans, no matter what point in our lives we are, are willing to celebrate Labor Day Weekend if not for the opportunity to get together for a long weekend with our families and friends but a good excuse to just kick back & enjoy ourselves.

We will have our own Labor Day Picnic here in the park on Labor Day starting at 4:30 pm with Happy Hour (of course!) then our cook-out/potluck will be served. Others, who are unable to join us that day, hopefully will be gathering with their family for their own celebration.

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### New Neighbors by Kay McKersie (6/1 through 7/31)

Timothy and Rosemarie Chrissis	#34
Lee Hass	#59
Richard and Linda Lewis	#23

**A Big Welcome to our Desert Harbor Community!**

# FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

by Ken Camp



*Enjoy the Summer!!*

Here we are in the month of August and I wonder where the summer is going...We are glad for the rain since it does seem to cool things down a bit.

I hope all of our residents have seen the new pavers that A.L.L installed at both gates and in front of the Clubhouse. I have noticed oil drips on the pavers as well as acid drips and also acid marks from our golf carts. If you look at your Community Guidelines, effective January 1, 2010, Page 5, Section 8, you will see what I am concerned about. This is our Community and I hope we will keep it looking nice. Please check your cars and golf carts to be sure you are not the one leaving the oil and acid drips.

One other item we need to address is the vandalism which is occurring in the Park. We need to remember that all of this will cost us (the residents) in the long run. Here again, we need to be aware of what is going on around us.

Please remember, too, if you have grandchildren visiting you during the day, that there are set rules when they are permitted in the pool -- between 10am and 12 noon and between 2pm and 4 pm. The times are posted at the pool. Please don't make the other residents feel uncomfortable by having to ask you to leave.

As I talk with different people, we have noticed that some residents are putting newspapers and cardboard in the trash instead of taking it to our paper collecting bins. The Activities Club receives the money from this paper bin, as well as it helps the environment. So, please take your cardboard and papers to the bin.

Again, I urge all of you to look at the Bulletin Board for upcoming activities as well as picking up your mail in the cubby holes in the craft room. **Continue to have a GREAT SUMMER!**

## Residents of Desert Harbor offer services:

Name	Lot Number	Services	Phone
Bill Hightower	6	Handyman	480-374-4570
Philicia Hightower	6	Cleaning & Errands	480-374-4570
Richard Nienkark	128	Painting	480-983-1396
Carroll Cooper	198	Installation of small Locks, Woodworking	480-671-3147
Elaine Dupree	54	Notary Public	480-786-1503
Dorothy Mueller	155	Avon Free Cardboard Boxes	480-984-9780

## BIRTHDAYS / ANNIVERSARIES SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

### SEPTEMBER 2010 BIRTHDAYS

DATE	NAME	LOT #
2	Silvia Goodrich	60
3	Tom Hennessy	70
	Bob Wilson	53
6	John Williams	162
13	Don Walker	206
15	Laura Klahr	194
	Terry Peters	58
18	Carol Hobson	35
	Vernita Loveridge	153
25	Mary Pat Summers	189
26	Dorothy Mueller	155
28	Terry Bieder	125
	Dee Goodwin	200

### SEPTEMBER 2010 ANIVERSARIES

5	Doug & Karen Stoesz	174
6	Paul & Terri Bieder	125
8	Gary & Judy Ross	119
23	Ed & Mary Lou Croyle	120
26	Dixk & Cyndi Smith	74

**If you wish to add your birthday and/or anniversary or make any corrections to the list, please call Kay McKersie at 480-288-9531.**

## Elections for Activity Board Will Be Soon

By Bob Mayo

The heat of summer is on us in full bloom and while most of us are certainly enjoying our Arizona weather or perhaps just trying to stay cool; it is worth reminding ourselves that Fall is not too far down the line. This of course means that many residents will be starting to return from their summer homes in the cooler climes to our north. It also means we will be resuming the monthly Residents' meetings here at Desert Harbor with the first meeting scheduled to be held October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Many of the social or recreational activities will be resuming as well. The Activities Organization board will be busy planning events for the upcoming year which will provide recreation and entertainment programs for our enjoyment.

This is also the time to start considering who we wish to elect to the Activities Organization Board of Directors and to this end, we would encourage all of our residents to consider running for positions on the board, or if not, nominating someone they believe would make a strong and effective board member.

The following positions will be open on the Board for the elections scheduled to be held in December. For those wishing to run for any office or to nominate someone for an office the nominations will be held and finalized during the residents' meeting in November. We will be voting for the positions of President, Vice President, and Treasurer, as well as for one board member at large. The basic duties and responsibilities of these positions can be found in the organization By-Laws; a copy of which is posted on the bulletin board in the clubhouse. Jim Stephens is the Chairman of the Nominating Committee and anyone interested in participating or running for any of these offices should contact Jim and let him know of your interest.

We wish to also remind park residents that if there are any changes to the by-laws they feel are necessary and would like to propose, you can contact Bob Mayo the by-laws committee chairman, at any time. All proposed changes to the by-laws will be voted on at the same time that the new board members are elected.

We hope everyone is having a great summer and wish to encourage all of those who may be interested, to volunteer their time and talents to run for office and serve our community.

## Genealogy

Interested in where your ancestors came from. Come join us Fridays at 1PM starting Sept 1, 2010 and we will help find your family. We will help build your family tree. Trips to the genealogy library also.

## Desert Harbor Activities & Coordinators

Activity	Coordinator	Telephone
Applique	Reni Dieball	983-0578
Bible Study	Elaine Kereluk	987-8587
Card Games	TBA	
Casino Trips	Cindi Smith	983-5819
Closet Quilters	Reni Dieball	983-0578
Genealogy	Ester Lough	288-8579
Golf	Don Walker	288-5686
Ladies Luncheon	Helen Rietow	983-6151
Ladies Soup & Salad Luncheon	Joann Hankinson	641-0975
Line Dancing	Mary Pat Summers	983-4227
Mah-Jongg	TBA	
Pinochle	Elaine Kereluk	987-8587
Poker	TBA	
Stitch & Chat	Reni Dieball	983-0578
Tai Chi	Dick Smith	983-5819
Travel	Connie Riter	641-7753

For questions about these activities contact the appropriate coordinator. Your participation is welcomed and very much appreciated. Thank You.

Activities with no specific coordinator:  
Water Aerobics Billiards

Recent Activities cancelled or suspended:  
Dominos Bunco Card Bingo  
Shuffleboard Cribbage Positive Thinking  
Stretching Class Yoga

Won't be long now and the monthly Resident's meetings will start again on Saturday, October 2, 2010

## Soup....Salad....and a Massage!

By Connie Riter



Our monthly Soup'n Salad Luncheon was held at noon in the Clubhouse on Tuesday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Nineteen ladies enjoyed the assortment of soups, salads, and desserts.

Everyone relaxed, shared stories, caught up on neighbors, and relished the variety of luncheon items.

Margo Crawford made a delicious crock-pot vegetable beef soup and Philicia Hightower an equally good broccoli chowder. Many excellent salads were sampled, including tossed salads, Jell-O, and pasta salads. Perhaps the most unique and talked

about salad was a "crushed pretzel salad" made by Reni Dieball (who claimed she made it "wrong.") We all want her "wrong" recipe! Cyndi Smith brought refreshing home-made applesauce which was better than any "store-bought" kind and there were many other salads too numerous to mention. For desserts we had luscious chocolate cake, cupcakes, other pastries, and a weight watcher peach cobbler (which was no longer low in calories when you drizzled peach wine over it and added a dollop of whipped cream.)

But, it was delicious that way! Everyone had a special treat right before we left when Mary Pat Summers gave each of us a shoulder massage. Her healing fingers made the day "just right."

Ladies, If you have not attended any of our soup 'n salad luncheons before, please come next month. We always meet at noon on the first Tuesday of the month....and everyone is welcome! There will be a sign-up sheet in the clubhouse to indicate what you plan to bring. **We always have a fun time!**



## A Restaurant Review

By Connie Riter



If you're "hankerin' for" a delicious steak served in a casual barn-like atmosphere with unlimited buckets of peanuts (and lots of peanut shells on the floor), then you will enjoy visiting **Logan's Roadhouse**. There are four in Arizona, but the one we selected was at 945 N. Dobson Road at the intersection of the 202 and the 101, near Bass Pro Shop and the Cracker Barrel. They have over 50 entrees, steaks hand-cut on the premises, delicious baby-back ribs, seafood (a great tilapia entree) and fresh salads. The restaurant serves a signature dinner roll, deliciously warm with a very slight hint of a sweetened glaze. **These are REALLY good!**

We went on a Saturday evening. The restaurant was busy, but the service was friendly and attentive. Prices are moderate and portion size, for most of us, allows for a take-home box. If you check their website before you go, you can see how extensive their menu is, and you won't be overwhelmed as we were with such a variety. It's a fun

## IT'S THE OLIVE GARDEN, LADIES LUNCHEON IN SEPTEMBER

By Jan Ginsburg

Our ladies luncheon is set for Tuesday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, and we are heading into Mesa to the "Olive Garden". We have eaten here once or twice before. Everyone enjoys their Soup and Salad entree (and the garlic bread sticks), along with their scrumptious pasta dishes.



We will meet at the clubhouse at 11 a.m., where we can arrange to carpool to the restaurant. Anyone who needs a ride to the clubhouse or to the restaurant should contact Agnes Miller at 480-982-6063 or Jan Ginsburg at 480-983-5303.

Ladies, your calendar in the newsletter is already marked for you, so just remember to put your name on the sign-up sheet in the clubhouse, then bring a friend and/or neighbor along. Looking forward to seeing you on the 21<sup>st</sup>!

## JULY LADIES LUNCHEON AT "MIMI'S"

By Sandy Carmon

On Tuesday, July 20<sup>th</sup>, thirteen of our local ladies here in Desert Harbor met for lunch at Mimi's Café in Mesa for their monthly get-together. Mimi's is always a favorite because the prices are reasonable and the lunch specials are superb. If you have never attended the Ladies Luncheon before, be sure to sign up next month and join us.

It's always a great time to visit with friends and catch up on all the community news. This is your chance to develop new friendships and nourish the ones you already have.



### No Bake Graham Cracker Cheesecake

*This is a delicious, light, refreshing dessert. It is lo-cal and sugar free and can be made with the light pie filling in any flavor. Note that this needs to be made the night before to soften the graham crackers. 10 minutes to prepare.*

#### Ingredients:

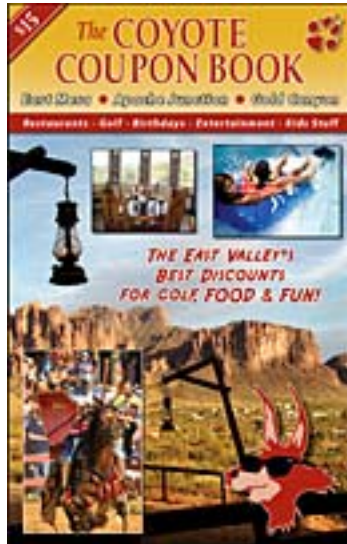
- Low-fat Graham Crackers
- 8 oz. Fat-free Cream Cheese (softened)
- 1 cup cold skim milk
- 2 Tblsp. Lemon Juice
- 1 small box of instant Vanilla pudding (sugar free)
- 8 oz Fat-free Cool Whip
- 1 can of cherry pie filling of any flavor you like

#### Directions:

Line the bottom of a 9 X 13 pan with whole Graham Crackers. Beat the Cream Cheese until smooth. Add milk and lemon juice to the cream cheese and beat until smooth. Stir in the pudding mix, then fold in the Cool Whip. Spread 1/2 of the cream cheese mixture of the Graham Crackers. Repeat with another layer of crackers and cream cheese mixture. Spread the pie filling over the top. Refrigerate overnight for the graham crackers to soften. Enjoy!! Makes about 20 servings.

## Coyote Books Are Coming Back!

By Connie Riter



It's that time of year again when we sell these discount books as a fundraiser for the Activities Organization. The books are \$15 each and a sample will be in the clubhouse as soon as they arrive. With the book you can save over \$1000!

Some new entries this year are Kokopelli Golf Course, Mickey D's Café, Chicago Land Dogs, Jimbo's, Mirage Sports Grill, San Tan Flats, Wild West Golf Carts, Snowbird Trailer.com, and Gold Canyon Computer Repair.

If you want a book as soon as they come in, please sign up at the Clubhouse. They will also be available at our residents' activities meetings, potlucks, etc. If you have a job or own a

business where you might be able to sell some books there to non-residents, we really would appreciate the extra market coverage.

The books also make great gifts! Using just a few of the coupons pays for the cost of the book and the Activities Organization is able to keep 50% of the cost. It is also a good way to help out the local merchants in Mesa, Apache Junction, and Gold Canyon. ***"Get the book that's actually GOOD for the community and save yourself a fortune!"***

A FEW  
LAUGHS  
TO LIVEN  
UP THE  
PAGE



“While strolling through the Park one day, in the Merry, Merry Month of .....”

By Connie Riter



In the Spring when walking was enjoyable and refreshing, we saw many beautiful cacti in bloom, as well as other flowers which are now just trying to survive. Dave and Bev Borchardt were “tooling around the Park” one lovely Spring morning on their golf cart when they spotted some unique cactus blooms. Dave pulled out his trusty camera (which he always carries with him) and proceeded to take pictures for all of us to enjoy later.

Two were at Linda Stephen’s home (#84)-- a brilliant red one with a crown of multiple blossoms and a white one. The magnificent pink one was at Reni Dieball’s house (#85) as well as another white one. If you want to see them in “all their glory,” check them out on the Park website. **Do cactus bloom better when they are “showing off” for their neighbors?**



## Arizona History

By Kay McKersie



Hohokam (pronounced ho-ho-kam) is a modern Pima Indian word that means "all used up" or "those who have vanished". The forgotten Americans of pre-Spanish times cremated their dead which inconveniences today's anthropologists and prevents them from forming a clear picture of their physical appearance. The origins of the Hohokam still remain uncertain. Some believe they were descended from the Cochise, but others believe they moved from Mexico.

The Hohokam settled in the Gila River Valley before the beginning of the Christian era in Europe. Their long habitation in this area can

be divided into four periods: Pioneer, Colonial, Sedentary and Classic.

Knowledge of the Pioneer period from about 300 B.C. to A.D. 500 is based on excavations near the Gila River. The people lived in pithouses that were sunk about a foot beneath the ground with pole walls stuffed with brush and mud chinked into the holes. The roofs had rafters of cottonwood or mesquite covered with brush and mud.

They implemented a system of hand-dug, gravity-fed canals to provide irrigation for their crops of corn which supplemented their diet of cactus fruits, mesquite beans, fish, deer and rabbit.

The Colonial period which covered A.D. 500 to A.D. 900 saw an extension of the canals for a total of almost two hundred miles. With their increased ability to raise and store surplus food, games entered the lifestyle of these people. Ball courts were established and the games sound like a cross between football, soccer and hockey with the "ball" made from guayule bush. No hands or feet were allowed to guide the ball, so hips, knees and elbows were used.

The Sedentary period of A.D. 900 to A.D. 1200 saw further refinement with people beginning to congregate in villages sometimes enclosed by adobe walls built for protection from marauding tribes.

The potters were making larger more decorative jars and bowls, some with a capacity of thirty gallons. It is thought that the pottery was sold or traded to people from the coastal areas as shell ornaments have been found

In the final or Classic period A.D. 1200 to A.D. 1400 the Hohokam lands were invaded by at least two groups of the northern Pueblo Indians.

The first group were the Salado from the Tonto Basin area and probably moved south because of drought. The second group was the Sinaguans from northern Arizona and came south for the same reasons.

These pueblo dwelling Indians merged with the Hohokam and they lived peacefully. They brought their architecture styles with them and soon there were multi-level structures with many rooms. Their ruins at the Pueblo Grande in Phoenix and the Casa Grande north of Coolidge can still be observed.

The Casa Grande was America's first skyscraper with a total of four stories built around A.D. 1300. At forty feet in height it dominated the landscape and served as a watchtower, it was an "apartment house" with eleven large rooms.

Sometime between A.D. 1400 and A.D. 1450 these communities vanished. Where did they go and why? The Hohokam were skilled workers in stone and clay, but most were deliberately destroyed. The few remnants of their architecture and the amazing canals were almost concealed by the desert sands.



## CONEWANGO KAYAK CANOE, LLC

(continued from last month) by Monica Bauschard



*As we mentioned in last month's newsletter, my son, Tom, has an exciting kayak and canoe business in Pennsylvania near Erie. We are very proud of him and his efforts to share his love of the outdoors and the environment with so many other people and his clever ways of keeping and improving the beauty of the area around him.*

*The following was written by him.*

When we pick you up in our 17 passenger van, you can relax on your ride back to the livery and enjoy the local scenery. At KKC, we all take your safety very seriously and we are first aid and CPR qualified. We know the area well enough to call it home; we work and live here because we want to. We also take stewardship of the Conewango Creek seriously and offer trash bags to each guest. In return, they get one dollar returned to them for each full bag of litter returned to us – even if it's their own litter. We also sponsor the Creek clean up each fall and are active members of the Conewango Creek Watershed Association.

We offer over 8 canoe/kayak trips not only at an hourly rate but also at an overnight trip rate. If you don't see the trip you want, we will be happy to help you plan out your trip. Who knows? Journey of a life time!

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### Activities Organization

President	Ken Camp	#178	480-641-0975
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Secretary	Judi Quetschenbach	#141	480-854-7553
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Tom Hennessy		#70	480-671-3696
Midge Drouin		#203	480-982-9425
Dick Smith		#74	480-983-5819

*Newsletter - If you want something to appear in the newsletter, submit a request in writing and place it in the "Bright Ideas Suggestion Box" in the clubhouse or contact a member of the Newsletter Committee...*

*Janet Ginsburg, Connie Riter, Dave Borchardt, Kay McKersie, Bob Mayo, Midge Drouin, Jane Boudreau, Pat Ballock, Margo Crawford, Monica Bauschard, Dick Smith and others.*

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## CONEWANGO KAYAK CANOE, LLC

Just let us know what you have in mind. If you're not sure if kayaking is for you, each Wednesday from noon until 6 we offer free kayak lessons. Don't be shy! Come on down and give it a try. If hiking is more to your liking, you can take a trip to Akeley swamp, which is an easy, popular walk with birders. For someone who wants a hillside adventure, Gardeners Rocks is a popular place for many to explore. It has monster boulders and tower rock sides – a beautiful place to enjoy a hike. Who knows? Maybe Bigfoot lives there. Even if you don't see him, you can enjoy a bottle of award winning Bigfoot wine from Allegheny Cellars Winery of Sheffield, either way this hike is sure to be remembered by all who make the trip.

Our primitive campground goes hand-in-hand with canoe and kayaks. In fact, if you want to bring your own boats, please do! We provide shuttle service at a modest price and will be happy to point out places you might find interesting. At our camp grounds, we have hand cleared tent only sites to minimize impact to the environment and still allow you ample space to relax and enjoy the area. Most of the tent sites have water foot frontage so you can fish or watch the world float past, or you can stare up at the night sky as you listen to the firewood pop and sizzle. Don't forget the first load of wood is always on us!

With Warren and Jamestown nearby, you don't want to forget to visit some of the area shops and sites, such as the Kinzua Dam and the Audubon. If antiques or books are for you, then be sure to stop at Rough Acres and Authors Book store. Maybe there is a treasure waiting for you? There is surely something to door see for every member of your family. Most of all, we want you to have a great experience and look forward to your return in the years to come. So, remember our motto at Conewango Kayak Canoe: "Relax and go with the flow" See you on the water.

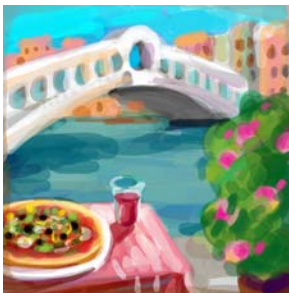
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## Italian Pot-Luck Dinner

By Dave Borchardt



Our annual Italian Pot Luck dinner was held on Saturday, July 17th. Since a lot of the residents are gone for the summer, attendance was down a little. We had four tables and approx. 30 or so people. The assortment of food was fantastic. The various Italian dishes prepared by the residents were simply outstanding and a good time was had by all.

## A Night at Bandera's Bunkhouse by Cyndi Smith



Last winter, a group called “**Saddle Strings**” entertained us here in the park and at Mammoth Steakhouse in Goldfield. Dave and Teresa have a little place in Howard, Colorado in the cool pines overlooking the Arkansas River. While on our recent trip to Colorado, we decided to check it out on our way to our daughter’s house in southern Colorado. After arriving at “Bandera’s Bunkhouse” we decided we had to spend the night. It’s a quaint little place with a 9 room motel, 3 cabins, numerous camp sites and Pat’s Falling Rock Café. It’s very basic, no TV or phone, but cool, clean, comfortable and relaxing. They have a cowboy dinner and show, wagon and buggy rides and fishing on the river. They were preparing for a “BIG” night the following evening so we didn’t get in on the dinner or buggy rides. We certainly did not go hungry though. Pat’s Falling Rock Café was wonderful. If you ate there too often, you would “waddle away.” Pat was a great cook and lots of fun. Dick was teasing her and she threatened to get her stick and beat him.

Don and Debbie were not there, but we got to visit with Dave and Teresa a bit, and meet the horses. Charlie and Chance are huge Belgian draft horses and of course there was Bandera’s. He is a horse Dave saved from going to the glue factory. His previous owner did not think he could be broken and trained. Guess Dave is another horse whisperer.

We enjoyed the cool clean air out on the deck overlooking the river, reading and watching the fishermen taking their boats out of the water. Rafting is also big in the area. Saturday morning we awoke to 41 degree weather (it was 90 in Phoenix). We certainly enjoyed our stay there, and hope to do it again. You can check out their website at [www.banderasbunkhouse.com](http://www.banderasbunkhouse.com)

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## Be Thankful

*Your partner has fallen  
Asleep in the chair  
Not very romantic- but at least they are there,  
Noisy teenagers, full of angst and strife  
They're in the kitchen - not out with a knife.  
The bills keep coming for lighting and heat  
Means we are inside - not out on the street.  
The waist line gets bigger, makes us say  
Something rude  
But how can we grumble we have access to food.  
This country's a mess, it's so clear to see  
But at least we can say so and still remain free.  
Those family troubles can cause us to moan  
Without them I guess - we'd be all alone  
The phone keeps on ringing, it just never ends  
But if it was silent - we wouldn't have friends.  
The streets are all dirty, and so full of litter  
We have eyes to see it - so we can't really be bitter.  
The demands people make can cause us to yell  
They ask us because- we're fit and well.  
So let's count our blessings for all that we've got  
And not bother so much about what we have not.*

Written by Mrs. P. A. Bramble, Leigh-on-Sea, Essex in England who is the sister-in-law of our Desert Harbor resident, Monica Bauschard

# Running

By Monica Bauschard

**Who is on the run? – Art, Connie, Mike and Monica**

**Where are they running? – Laughlin and sightseeing at the Hoover Dam**

**When did they go? – The weekend of July 30-August 1st**

**Did everyone have fun? You bet it was, and another weekend is planned for sometime in the fall.**



It all started when Art and Connie received free nights at the Tropicana Hotel and Casino. Along with the free nights Connie received an invite to participate in the Third Anniversary Slot Machine Tournament. She was able to invite one guest and she chose Art. Mike and I went along to keep them company and to enjoy the casino and the sightseeing.

We left Desert Harbor early Friday morning and arrived in Laughlin mid afternoon after stopping for breakfast/lunch combined at our usual stopping place in Wickenburg. We checked into our rooms around 3 pm and made arrangements to meet at the main entrance for an early supper at the buffet. This is always great with plenty of choices. A lazy supper was enjoyed and we went our separate ways to test our luck and skills at the slot machines. It went fairly well-- nothing too spectacular, but nothing we couldn't live without either. (After all, doesn't money grow on trees – it's a pity ours is not growing too well in this heat)



We met early Saturday morning, had breakfast and Art and Connie were off to try their luck in the tournament. It was late morning before they were done, and we were off and running to the Hoover Dam. A new road goes all the way through, and driving is pleasant. The first view of the dam is breathtaking! It's hard to comprehend that it is made by man and that it is real. After parking (and there is a lot of parking) we walked around taking photos and enjoying the spectacular view of the dam, the Colorado River, the new bridge still incomplete, and Lake Mead. We stayed a couple of hours enjoying so many wonderful, interesting explanations of how the dam started being built and why it was built – one is never too old to learn something new. We headed back to Laughlin a different way from how we came and enjoyed seeing new scenery. We stopped for supper and played the slot machines for a few hours, off to bed and soooooo tired after a busy day of running.



Sunday morning came and we met for breakfast and to wait the notification of the winners. **No luck this time – oh well there is always next time and another time for running.**

August 2010

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# September 2010

October 2010

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30	31					

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>SAVE THE DATES!</b> <b>Tues. Aug 31st</b> —Survival Day Party— Wine & Cheese 4 PM <b>Mon. Sept 6th</b> 4:30 PM —Labor Day Picnic <b>Tues. Sept 7th</b> —Noon Ladies Soup and Salad.			1 9:00a Line Dancing 1:00p Mahjongg 1:00p Quilting 6:30p Quilting	2 6:30p Billiards	3 4:00p Happy Hour 7:00p Cards/ Games	4 8:00a Coffee/ Donuts
7:00a Water Aerobics						
5 1:00p Texas Hold'em Poker	6 1:00p Mahjongg 4:30p Happy Hour 5:00p Labor Day Picnic 6:30p Billiards	7 12:00p Ladies Soup and Salad Lunch 6:30p NDQ Poker 7:00p Cards/ Games	8 9:00a Line Dancing 1:00p Mahjongg 1:00p Men's Poker 6:30p Quilting	9 1:00p Quilting 6:30p Billiards	10 4:00p Happy Hour 7:00p Cards/ Games	11 8:00a Coffee/ Donuts
7:00a Water Aerobics						
12 2:00p Pinochle	13 1:00p Mahjongg 6:30p Billiards	14 6:30p NDQ Poker 7:00p Cards/ Games	15 9:00a Line Dancing 1:00p Mahjongg 1:00p Quilting 6:30p Quilting	16 6:30p Billiards	17 4:00p Happy Hour 7:00p Cards/ Games	18 8:00a Coffee/ Donuts 4:30p Happy Hour 5:00p Apple Harvest Pot Luck
7:00a Water Aerobics						
19 1:00p Texas Hold'em Poker	20 1:00p Mahjongg 6:30p Billiards	21 11:00a Ladies Luncheon Olive Garden 6:30p NDQ Poker 7:00p Cards/ Games	22 9:00a Line Dancing 1:00p Mahjongg 1:00p Men's Poker 6:30p Quilting	23 8:00a Casino Apache Gold 1:00p Quilting 6:30p Billiards	24 4:00p Happy Hour 7:00p Cards/ Games	25 8:00a Coffee/ Donuts
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7:00a Water Aerobics						