

DESERT HARBOR—A 55+ COMMUNITY—APACHE JUNCTION, AZ—FEBRUARY 2016

REMEMBERING A NEIGHBOR by Jane Boudreau

Inadvertently Terry Majur was not included in the January article **REMEMBERING OUR NEIGHBORS**. For those of you who did not have the opportunity to meet Terry he was a very outgoing and friendly individual. He and Karen moved to Desert Harbor in 2007 from Michigan. There he enjoyed the out of doors fishing, boating, hunting and exploring Michigan. His great personality made making friends easy whether it was in Detroit where he was a member of the police department or at the Desert Harbor swimming pool. He enjoyed many of the functions held in the clubhouse. Those of us who were here when Terry experienced some health issues know he was a fighter. We miss his bright smile and the twinkle in his eyes.

February and Thoughts on Leap Year by Connie Riter

This is February and it's Leap Year as well! We have a leap year almost every 4 years because of the "messiness" of our Solar System. One Earth Year (a complete orbit around the Sun) does not take an exact number of whole days (one complete spin of the earth on its axis). In fact, it takes 365.2422 days, give or take a digit or two. Until Julius Caesar came to power, people observed a 355-day calendar – with an extra 22 day month every two years. But this was really confusing and over time created some strange situations. So Caesar ordered his astronomer to simplify things. So this is how the 365 day year was conceived with an extra day every four years.

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From the President's Desk by Ken Camp

With only one month before the election of the new officers, I urge all of you to vote and support the new officers coming on board. Your vote and attendance at the residents meetings are very important.



I am not sure of any dates or time table on the remodel of the hall or kitchen. They, the manager of our park and the higher ups have not told us much. I feel the kitchen should have been the FIRST priority so we could be using it again. The rock fireplace, I feel, has added much to our hall. The moving of the television to a "social corner" AND the addition of an adjustable arm to move it out for our bingo and exercise classes would certainly be an added feature as well.

Again, drive safely and watch for our residents walking and riding their bikes.

ACTIVITIES ORGANIZATION					
President (term 2014-2016)	Ken Camp	Lot #178	480-641-0975		
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Board Member (term 2014-2017)	Joyce Hoopes	Lot #141	505-250-6613		
Board Member (term 2015-2018)	Midge Drouin	Lot #203	602-459-9039		

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Midge Drouin, Margo Crawford, Jane Boudreau

BIRTHDAYS - ANNIVERSARIES

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

DAY	NAME	LOT	DAY	NAME	LOT
2	Philicia Hightower	8	6	Dick & Liz Paprowicz	197
2	John Fitzpatrick	94	10	Jim & Bonnie Harrison	40
2	Wayne Sunderman	71	14	Jerry & Patricia Murphy	205
3	Mickey Kosar	110	14	John & Anne Eubank	169
6	Judy Fischer	96	15	Ron & Connie Farmer	175
10	Bette Roy	130	19	Michael & Monica Bauschard	99
10	Richard Lewis	23	22	Jim & Kathy Gabel	150
11	Barb Schnier	146	23	Jim & Anna Parker	72
11	Sherry Weinert	186	24	Clark & Karen Kroschel	105
14	Jean Hansen	151	24	Doug & Bertha Harris	180
14	Arlene Wicken	37			
16	Carole Garriott	115			
18	Alana Zimmer	41			
20	John Smartt	20			
21	Allen Horning	106			
29	James Almon	9			



If you wish to add your birthday and/or anniversary or make any corrections to the list, please call Dick Smith at 480-983-5819

ITEMS FOR SALE OR ITEMS WANTED

Please let us know if you have something for sale or if you need something

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February and Thoughts on Leap Year

Every fourth year is a leap year – almost – but not completely. A year that is divisible by 100, but not by 400 is not a leap year. So 2000 was a leap year, as was 1600, but 1700, 1800, and 1900 were not leap years. This is because a year is not exactly 365 ¼ days long. It's a little less. So when Pope Gregory XIII and his astronomers introduced the Gregorian calendar in 1582, they decided to **lose** three leap days every 400 years. This will work for a while, but will again have to be revised in about 10,000 years!

It is believed that the tradition of women proposing on February 29th goes back to the time when the leap year day was not recognized by English law. Under this theory, if the day had no legal status, it was acceptable to break with the convention of a man proposing. The chance of being born on Feb. 29th is often said to be one in I,461. Four years is 1,460 days and adding one for the leap year day, you have 1,461. But other factors influence when babies are more likely to be born at certain times during the year. Babies born on Feb. 29th are known as "leapers" or "leaplings."

If you really want to get in the spirit of Leap Year, try this Leap Year Cocktail. Approach it slowly as a cat stalking the only prey it's seen for weeks. Pounce too quickly and you'll be sorry. 2 oz. gin, 1/4 oz. Grand Marnier, ¼ oz. sweet vermouth, ¼ oz. freshly squeezed lemon juice. Combine all ingredients in a shaker with ice. Shake, and pour into a chilled cocktail glass. Garnish with a lemon spiral. Enjoy! Happy Leap Year Everyone!



If you have had a phone number change, please let Dick Smith know. Dick is in lot #74, phone 480-983-5819



PHONE BOOK UPDATES:

The new phone directory should be out by now, so watch for future updates and/or corrections here.

NEW RESIDENTS:

Wallace, James Lot #36

Choir Performance by M. Drouin

On Wednesday, January 13th, there was a special performance given by the Sunshine Acres Choir. The entertainment began at 6:30PM at the clubhouse. The choir was led by Tim Hall and the music was provided by the pastor's wife, Deb Hall. Five gospel songs were presented for our listening enjoyment. The audience participated in a couple of songs. About 50 people attended, listening to 10 children perform. There was a donation of \$170.00 given to the choir. The performance ended around 7:15PM. There was punch, coffee, and cookies for everyone to enjoy. Earlier that evening, Pastor Hall brought out his dummy doll and performed some ventriloquism. Everyone seemed to have had a good time. Thanks Cami for bringing the entertainment to our park and to everyone who helped get this event started.

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Summary of January's Residents Meeting by Connie Riter

Ken Camp began our monthly residents meeting at 9 am by the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by roll call of all the board members. Everyone was present. Around 65 residents were also in attendance. The treasurer's report was approved as written. The secretary's report was approved as corrected. I had made an error in a name.

Committee reports: **Connie** mentioned that she had 7 coyote coupon books left to sell. She also said 20 ladies had signed up for the soup n salad luncheon and 24 for luncheon out at the Spaghetti Factory later in the month. **Midge** mentioned the karaoke here on Jan. 6th, the Dutton Show on the 25th, and the Gospel Jam on Jan. 23.

Cami reported that the Bell Ringers received \$100 from the Club and we collected \$136 more during their performance. She also reported that we had given \$1000 to Sunshine Acres for the holiday. On Jan. 13 the Children's choir from Sunshine Acres will sing for us, and on the 15th, the International Dance Band will be performing here. **Joyce** mentioned that 90 pounds of food were given to the food bank last month.

Ken turned the meeting over to **Angie 2** who began by clarifying when Patio Sales can be held. She said we have only one each year because of our fun days. An estate or moving sale can be held whenever needed, however it must be held in the house, not on the patio. She will be out of town from Feb. 15 – Feb. 23 on business.

Bob Hert spoke on the March fun day, held on March 12. **He, Jane Boudreau**, and **Bruce Weiss** are in charge of it this year. There will be a car show, a cake walk, bingo, horse racing, 50/50 raffles, and a bean bag toss, as well as all the tables of white elephant items, and large furniture. Chair people for each event have already been selected, and by Feb. 1st, sign-up sheets will be available for other residents to help out. **Karen Majur** donated signs and **Bill Boudreau** will be making posters. **Bob** made a motion requesting \$900 to cover expenses and it was approved. We will be selling water, and other refreshments, but food will be available from an outside vendor. **Jane** mentioned that large items will be priced, but small items will be categorized only. **Bill and Sherry** in #129 will go to merchants with a letter, asking for donations.

Carol Rysavy mentioned that the library is back to order and that she has weeded out the books and is waiting for people to donate some of their more recent purchases. A nominating committee was set up for the upcoming election – consisting of **Bonnie Harrison, Bev Borchardt, and Pat Murphy.** St. Patty's Day Dinner is on March 17th. No pot luck on the 19th. A Chili Cook-off will be held on Feb. 23rd from 1 – 3 pm.

Sherry Weinert brought up the problem with New Year's Eve Music. She had hired a band, with an oral agreement to play for \$500. The Board decided not to use them because they sound like a polka band and are advertised that way on their website. Sherry made a motion that we pay them the \$500 even though they did not play because they were not able to find another place to play. The motion was made and approved and the residents agreed that they should be paid. The 50/50 raffle was won by Kathy Leach for \$43. Meeting was adjourned at 10:10 am. See the full notes in the Clubhouse

We received a very nice "Thank You" letter from Sunshine Acres Children's Home. Thanks to everyone who contributed.



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Desert Harbor 3700 S. Ironwood Drive Apache Junction, Arizona 85120

Dear Friends,

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Thank you for your generous gift of \$940.00. With the help of donations from supporters such as you, we can continue to provide these children a stable loving home with Christian house parents to love them. We are also able to take care of their nutritional, mental, physical, and educational well-being through your support. Through these programs we have seen many of our boys' and girls' lives changed for the better. Our commitment is to continue to make a difference in the life of a child.

What a special Christmas this was for our children. This was the 10th year that Kurt Warner, former quarterback for the Arizona Cardinals and his family spent time on Christmas Eve with our children. He always talks to the children about why we celebrate Christmas and says a beautiful prayer. Kurt provided a catered lunch from Carrabbas Restaurant and then his family gave a gift to each child with a hug. He has inflatable jumpers delivered and Kurt throws footballs to the older children for over an hour. What a great family they are. He never brings newspaper reporters or television crews, as they just want to show love and make Christmas very memorable for our children. Then on Christmas morning the children opened the rest of their gifts and had delicious food prepared by their house parents.

We took in 17 new children in 2015 that had suffered from abuse, homelessness, abandonment, failed adoptions or have parents in prison. We have seven homes with 10 children in each home and 10 of our young adults are in our transitional program that are attending college or going to a trade school.

Thank you again for your gift that is changing lives and we wish you a Happy New Year.

Sincerely,

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Office Manager







The General George Patton Museum by Margo Crawford

The General George Patton Museum is situated at Chiriaco Summit along I-10 in CA. There is a gas station and convenience store on the adjacent lot so you can make a really nice stop and enjoy the museum.

There is much to see at the museum and you will want to take your time and browse. We originally thought our stop took about 30-45 minutes. In actuality it was 1 ½ hours! There is so much memorabilia to browse through. Many, many photos of historic events and the daily life of our military members are on display. All branches of the military are represented. In addition to the Two World Wars, The Korean Conflict, and Vietnam it has been updated to include Desert Storm etc. That is the inside of the museum which also has a small gift shop and nice clean restrooms.

Outside there are tanks and various other military vehicles and you must watch out for rattlesnakes! We spent quite a bit of time just looking at all the military vehicles and who doesn't like a big old tank??? To the east side of the museum are Remembrance Walls. I can't remember each section of walls by name or sector but there are several and if you or a loved one served, it is worth looking through the various listings.

A large statue of General Patton stands out front and at his side is his beloved Bull Terrier, Willie. They are posed atop a tank, of course!

We were just about to leave the museum when I decided to traipse across the dusty parking lot to look at some strange looking devices out closer to the roadway. It was well worth the little hike as there were' Leonardo da Vinci Weapons of War and Invention'! That display on its own is worth a stop!

If you haven't been to the George S. Patton Museum it is definitely worth a visit and if you have stopped but it has been some time it is worth stopping again to see how it has grown!

Coyote Coupon Books Sale Winding Down by Connie Riter

We have only 4 more books to sell!! Thanks to all who so generously purchased one – or more. There are over 160 local discounts, over \$1000 in savings, and more than 15 golf offers. The books are still \$20 each and as soon as we sell the last four, our Activities Committee will receive \$500 in cash. We went to JJ Madison's on Power and University last month. There are 3 coupons for this new sports bar in Mesa which serves among other things – broasted chicken. It was delicious and we promised ourselves we would return and use the other two coupons as well. On Fridays they serve fish and on Saturdays they have a pork roast. Their fries, beer, and cole slaw are also excellent. If you haven't tried it, you may want to see what you think. Since it's a sports grill, you can watch one of many tv's, select a beer from the long list they have, and play some pool....and don't forget to try their broasted chicken!

High School Lecture Series by Connie Riter

There's a hidden treasure right on Ironwood and Southern and people come from miles to experience it. It's the Arizona Lecture Series held at the Performing Arts Center each Monday evening at 7 pm during the winter months. The lectures are stimulating, informative, and entertaining and cost only \$5 each evening. All the money earned goes back to the high school for helping the students. Here is a list of the final lectures this year, but you may want to arrive around 6 pm, to insure you get a seat!

- Feb. 1 The Woman Who Shot Cowboys Rodeo Photographer Louise Serpa
- Feb. 8 Desert Dwellers by Phil Rakoci He brings his "pets" to entertain and educate the audiences....and they do!
- Feb. 15 Treasure Hunting, by Jesse Feldman Shares his experiences of treasure hunting, mineral exploration, and co-starring on Animal Planet's reality TV Show, "Ice Cold Gold."
- Feb. 22 The Civil War in Arizona, by Kathy Farretta
- Feb. 29 Riders on the Orphan Train, by Alison Moore. A very interesting event in Arizona History.
- March 7—Charles Poston: Father of Arizona, by Gil Storms. He owned one of the first silver mining companies in Arizona, headquartered in Tubac, and worked to make Arizona a territory.
- March 14 Poncho Villa, by Jim Turner

March 21 – The Gentleman Doc Holliday, by Wyatt Earp – This one-act play depicts how a famous dentist becomes one who kills. He is sent to prison, banters with the other prisoners. You, the audience, are the other prisoners.

Angi Cummins Meeting by Connie Riter

On January 15 at 3 pm we had a meeting with our manager. About 70 people were present. She announced that she had placed a copy of the community policies in the Library for all to read. They are working on new community policies and these should be ready in about 3 months. She said that the clubhouse will be painted shortly. This includes the fitness center, craft room, and everything. She said that the TV will be moved to the corner left of the stage and a "sitting room" area will be placed there.

We will have an accent wall behind the stage and dark brown blinds in the clubhouse. Ken asked if we could have the present blinds because the activities committee had purchased them. She said we could. Someone asked about hang down lights for the billiard room which were supposed to have been ordered. She said she would look into that. She also said that she was going to remove the sign on the golf course which states "no dogs allowed." She said we need a way to take our dogs down there. She will also look into moving the dog area to a section which doesn't flood as much, but is still in the water retention area.

Regarding a kitchen update. The appliances have been ordered and they have submitted permits. But Pinal County seems to be taking a lot of time on approving the permits and they don't want to do anything until they are approved. (They learned from Rancho Mirage.) She said she will have signs made up lowering the speed limit in the park to 10 mph. She will see about finding an area in the retention area for barbecue grills and sit down areas. The horse shoe pits will be removed because it doesn't seem like a lot of residents are using them.

The fireplace in the clubhouse appears to be a wood-burning fireplace. She will see about getting someone to check it out so we could have fires there – don't use it until she does.

Tracy arrived and indicated that the entire Concert Series was canceled because she didn't have enough people buying tickets. If you want to go, buy your tickets at the Chamber of Commerce building. She will be issuing refunds after this meeting. We are having a Johnny Cash tribute at 6:30 pm on the 18th. This is free. On the 26th she will have a Health and Wellness Expo from 8 am to 12 noon at Lost Dutchman. There will be about 40 businesses there taking blood tests and pressure, cholesterol, etc. There will be free coffee and donuts and she will have raffles every I5 minutes. A Texas Hold 'Em Tournament will be held here at Desert Harbor on March 6th. There will be a \$20 buy in. It will be held here because we have the tables. Other parks are invited to attend. We have the poker tables here....No sign-up sheets. Just show up. Once the kitchen is done, we need to find 2 people to be trained as "kitchen managers." They are responsible for the kitchen and the course they need to take costs \$140. (We all agreed that the Activities Committee should pay for their course and that they need to be selected now, so they can start preparing for their test.) We should have one full-time resident and perhaps one winter visitor. We will also need about 6 or 7 food handlers. They are the ones who bring the food to the tables, etc. Their course costs \$7.95. The meeting was adjourned around 4:30 pm.

UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH

5th Saturday Resident Meeting 9:00 am

6th Sunday TRACEY Sun Communities Texas Hold Em Tournament

12th Saturday Community Sale, Car Show, Fun Day

17th Thursday St. Patrick's Day Pot Luck 4:30 HH 5:00 Food

International Band after dinner

26th Saturday Gospel Jam 1:00-3:00 pm Clubhouse

APRIL

2nd Saturday Resident Meeting 9:00 am 16th Saturday Pot Luck 4:30 HH 5:00 Food

21st Thursday TRACEY 4:00 pm Game Happy Hour

MAY

5th Thursday TRACEY Cinco de Mayo 4:00 pm

7th Saturday Resident Meeting 9:00 am 21st Saturday Pot Luck 4:30 HH 5:00 Food

ALL EVENTS, DATES AND TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

UPCOMING ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS

The nominating committee will be taking names up to and including the Feb. 6th resident meeting and at that meeting a final call will be asked for anyone wishing to run for office. If only one person is running for a specific office the residents can take a voice vote to approve him or her. If more than one person is running for a specific office, then ballots will be made and given to all residents. The ballot may contain by laws changes as well. The ballots must be returned by the March 5th meeting and the ballots will be counted at that time.

CHIT CHAT AROUND THE PARK



Ladies Luncheon

by Connie Riter

On March 19, 28 ladies met early at the Clubhouse and traveled by car to Mesa Drive and Main in Mesa to ride the light rail. For some of the ladies this was the first time they had taken a ride on the light rail. Our destination was The Old Spaghetti Factory – for lunch! We arrived at 12:30 and had a special room prepared for us. We each selected our own lunch and enjoyed not only the entre but a special treat of spumoni brought to each of us right before we left. Some of us then travelled to the end of the light rail in Phoenix before riding back to Mesa Drive. We arrived back at the Park around 5 pm – tired but happy!

LADIES GET ACQUAINTED SOUP & SALAD LUNCHEON

by Jane Boudreau

On the first Monday of each month the ladies of Desert Harbor meet in the clubhouse to visit and enjoy a noon meal. Each attendee brings a salad, soup or dessert to share. The January 5, 2016 luncheon was attended by nineteen ladies and guests. Easy conversation took place while they sampled the variety of items provided.

A 50/50 drawing was held with Kathy Gable holding the winning ticket. Seventeen dollars was donated to the Activities Organization Treasury.

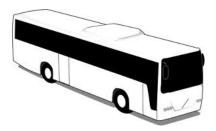
Our February luncheon will be held on the 2nd. We also encourage you to mark your calendar for March 1. Our Spring Fashion Show will be held following the luncheon on that date.

As a reminder please bring your own table service including bowls for sampling soup. We will have coffee available; however, we do not have serving utensils available. Please bring ladles for soup and serving spoons for salads or servers for dessert. We hope to see you on February 2, 2016.

RECYCLED GREETING CARDS WANTED

Do you have used greeting cards? There is a basket in the clubhouse that you can put them in. Only the fronts are used. Connie Riter will be sure the cards are sent to St. Jude's in Nevada. Thank you.

Bus Trips Available by Connie Riter



Want to go to **Rocky Point**? There is a trip on Feb 2-4 (\$299 pp). **Glendale's 24th annual Chocolate Affair** is on Feb 6 (\$59 pp). Prescott and Sedona is available on Feb. 7-8 (\$259 pp)

We have a group of residents going to the 57th annual **Tubac Festival of the Arts** on Feb. 10th – and there still is room if you'd like to go. (\$69pp). The festival of Arts has over 100 vendors from all over the country, plenty of delicious food booths, artist demonstrations and entertainment. This is a fun trip!

We also have a group going to **Turf Paradise** on Feb. 13th for the gold cup races. We have reserved seating in Turf Club Terrace, a hot prime rib lunch, a private terrace to watch the races, a backpack for everyone who goes, and a chance to have a souvenir photo with the winning horse, owner and trainer. This is a fun trip too! (\$99 pp).

Like trains? There is a **Verde Canyon railroad and wine trip** on Feb. 16 – 17. Start with a tour and lunch at the Alcantara Vineyard, a 10 acre winery on the Verde River. Spend time at the Cliff Castle Casino and stay overnight in Cottonwood. The next day take the 4-hour rail journey in First Class. This is indeed a wilderness adventure. Includes 2 meals and hot and cold appetizers on the train. \$379 pp

A trip to **San Antonio, Texas** is planned for Feb. 21-27th. Round trip motor coach, 6 nights lodging, 10 meals, guided tour of San Antonio. Visit the Alamo and tour the LBJ Ranch, visit Institute of Texan Culture and San Antonio Missions. \$599 pp.

Kartchner Caverns Day Trip on Feb. 22nd. \$99 pp Experience a stunning limestone cave in Southeastern Arizona, one of the most pristine living caves in the world. Includes lunch in Benson. Tour either the Rotunda or the "Big Room".

If you'd like to go on any of these, please call me at 315-657-3078 and check the book in the club-house which has other trips available, too.

HEALTH ARTICLE by Midge Drouin

Why Honey Bees Are Essential to a Healthy Life

Healthy food and honey bees are greatly intertwined - they have been for thousands of years. In fact, large-scale honey bee cultivation has been traced back to the 10th century BC in Israel, where beekeepers harvested honey, honeycomb, and beeswax. Of course, taste had a lot to do with it, but honey bee products such as propolis are still used today to treat topical infections. Even bee venom is being investigated for its potential use to relieve the symptoms associated with Parkinson's disease.

Yet when people think of the many health benefits of honey bees, they don't often consider their role when it comes to balanced nutrition. As one of the most prolific pollinators, honey bees are an integral aspect of modern sustainable agriculture, pollinating roughly one-third of the world's crops. In other words, without honey bees, it wouldn't be possible for us to enjoy some of our favorite fruits and vegetables—both of which are important components of a balanced meal.

It's a big responsibility for such tiny creatures. And because we largely rely on honey bees for our collective livelihood, it's important to keep them healthy. That is why Monsanto is proud to be a member of the Honey Bee Health Coalition which is working with beekeepers, farmers, researchers, conservation groups, governmental agencies, and a variety of others to collaboratively implement solutions to improve honey bee health. This coalition—and others like it—are focusing their efforts on finding solutions to address the multiple factors impacting honey bee health and ensure that honey bees can thrive.

Church Article by Barbara Fox

Community Worship of Desert Harbor meets every Sunday at 10:30 am in the Clubhouse. We are continuing our study of Genesis on Tuesdays at 6:30 pm in the library until the craft room is painted. We will soon be starting Book 2 which covers the second half of Genesis. Toiletries and clothing are still being collected for the Genesis Project in Apache Junction. Another gospel jam is scheduled for February 27th. All are welcome to attend.

January Bunco by Becky Gardner

January Bunco is over and looking forward to February . Our January 7th winners were Judy Childers for Most Buncos and last Bunco, Karen Parker for most wins, Arlene Wicken came in second, and Richard Travis took home 3rd. Rose Chrissis took home most losses. January 21st winners were me (Becky Gardner) for most Buncos and last Bunco. Jerry Appelt won most wins with Don Childers coming in second and Carol Lazzari coming in 3rd. Most losses went to Judy Childers.

We did play all 6 sessions on January 21st and we were done and home by 12:30. We got a late start also, but it did work out. I would like to thank all who give a hand in setting up and cleaning up after our games! I won't be putting up signup sheets for Bunco - just come and enjoy! Thank you!

COMMUNITY SALE, CAR SHOW AND FUN DAY 2016 by Jane Boudreau

Preparations are underway for our second annual community sale, car show and fun day. The event is scheduled for Saturday, March 12, 2016. Co-chairmen Bob Hert and Bruce Weiss have solicited residents to head specific functions. Coordinating the community sale is Jane Boudreau. All functions will need additional residents to help prior to and the day of the sale. Volunteers may sign-up beginning Saturday, February 6, 2016 after the Activities Organization monthly meeting.

In addition to the sale and car show residents and visitors may participate in bingo, the horse race game, bean bag toss and a cake walk or bake sale.

Following last year's success they plan to have baskets, grab bags, and 50/50 drawings. Would you like to donate a basket to be raffled? Please see Karen Kroschel for assistance.

We encourage all our residents to join in the fun. Come enjoy lunch with their neighbors A vendor has been contracted to supply the food as we do not have a kitchen available.

You are an integral part of this event. Your support is very important to our success. Thank you for all your help!

"Life is amazing. And then it's awful. And then it's amazing again. And in between the amazing and the awful it's ordinary and mundane and routine. Breathe in the amazing, hold on through the awful, and relax and exhale during the ordinary. That's just living heartbreaking, soul-healing, amazing, awful, ordinary life.

And it's breathtakingly beautiful."

L.R.Knost

Updates to the calendar can always be found on the website www.desertharboraz.net

DESERT HARBOR RESIDENTS OFFER SERVICES

<u>NAME</u>	<u>LOT</u>	<u>SERVICE</u>	<u>PHONE</u>
Midge Drouin	203	Haircuts, Styling, Blow Drying	602-459-9039
Dorothy Mueller	155	Avon Products, Free Boxes	480-984-9780
Esther Lough	123	Puppy Sitting	480-288-8579
Connie Riter	81	Bus Trips	315-657-3078
Renee Spears	57	Reiki Sessions	480-215-8328
Jean Myers	44	Pet & House Sitting, Drive to Store, Doctor's Office, Airport, House Cleaning	480-671-4481
Bob Myers	44	Yard work, odd jobs	480-671-4481
John Williams	162	Handyman	602-561-4562
Liz Pawlowski	6	Odd jobs, anything you can't do yourself	619-508-9402
Karen Majur	173	Sunshine Home Sales	480-250-2219
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