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26th
9:30 am
Read Hall

Singles Club Potluck
Monday, March 3rd
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Town Hall Meeting
Sunday, March 2nd
2:00 pm
Read Hall

Membership Meeting
Saturday, March 8th
10:00 am
Farnsworth Hall

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Wednesday, March 12th
All Day

Farnsworth Hall Pool Closed for Maintenance
Wednesday, March 19th
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SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP VOTE MARCH 8TH, 2025

Keep Dreamland Villa a 55+ Community

By Dick McPherson & Nancy Schnoor

A petition to amend the Bylaws has been submitted by the Dreamland Villa Retirement Community (DVRC) Membership to the Board of Directors. The purpose is to change the Bylaws of DVRC by requiring Board Members, Standing and Ad Hoc Committee's Chairperson to be members 55 years of age or older and be a homeowner within our community.

Dreamland Villa Retirement Community (DVRC) is a 501(c)7 nonprofit social club as designated by the IRS. DVRC has been given the stewardship of complying with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requirements and providing documentation of age verification to Maricopa County.

As the declining membership in the social club continues, DVRC can no longer financially support the facilities and amenities of the social club and will fail. At that point, DVRC could stand to lose the 55+ overlay that is currently in place.

With that in mind, it is imperative that we are forward-looking and have a Board in place whose priority is to protect our 55+ community. Having individuals who are 55+ on the Board and Committee Chairpersons in place will aid in that endeavor.

Furthermore, homeowners residing in DVRC have a substantial financial stake in the community. If the 55+ overlay is removed, we could see our property values go down, property tax-

es go up, and the prospect of living in a multi-generational community. Renters are valuable members of our community, but they do not have the same financial investment at stake and could move on to another 55+ community.

A Town Hall meeting for members has been scheduled for Sunday, March 2 at 2:00 pm at Read Hall to receive accurate information, ask questions, and have an amicable discussion.

A Special Membership Meeting to vote on the Bylaw changes has been scheduled for March 8, at 10:00 am at Farnsworth Hall. You must have your valid Kee Card to attend and vote.

For more information, email keepdreamland55@gmail.com.

President's Message

By Heather Canterbury

In today's complex world, the quote by Gerard K. O'Neill, "Don't regard yourself as a guardian of freedom unless you respect and preserve the rights of people you disagree with," serves as a powerful reminder of the essence of true freedom. In a society that often encourages divisive rhetoric and polarization, it is crucial

to recognize that genuine freedom extends beyond mere tolerance; it demands the active preservation of the rights of all individuals, including those whose beliefs or opinions differ from our own.

The concept of freedom is frequently celebrated, yet it can become distorted when individuals or groups prioritize their views above others. The irony is that such selective advocacy can undermine the very freedoms that they seek to protect. Those who champion freedom must extend the same rights they cherish—like speech, belief,

and assembly—to everyone, irrespective of their positions. This principle is vital for a healthy democracy, where vibrant discourse and differing perspectives can co-exist.

Moreover, respecting the rights of others fosters a more inclusive environment where constructive dialogue can flourish. When we engage with opposing viewpoints, we not only enrich our understanding but also lay the groundwork for empathy and cooperation. It challenges us to grapple with uncomfortable truths and to reflect on our

own beliefs critically.

Ultimately, the strength of a society is measured not just by the freedoms of the majority but also by the protection of the minority. As O'Neill's quote emphasizes, being a true guardian of freedom requires us to uphold the rights of those with whom we disagree. By doing so, we contribute to a more just and equitable world, where everyone can voice their thoughts and exist without fear, enabling the flourishing of democracy and humanity itself.

Amendment Of Dreamland Villa Retirement Community Bylaws

In accordance with Dreamland Villa Retirement Community Bylaws Article I, The President, Section 2. The membership may call a special meeting of the membership for any purpose by obtaining signatures of 100 members. The petitioner's signatures have been verified by the Board of Directors as members in good standing. The membership thus will hold a Special Membership Meeting on March 8, 2025, to present the following Bylaw changes for a vote of the membership. The effective date of these changes will begin upon passage by the Dreamland Villa Retirement Community membership. Elected Board Directors at the time of passage shall retain their position until their elected term expires.

Article VI, Standing Committees Section 1.

Section 1. Standing and ad hoc committee chairs as well as coordinators shall be **a Dreamland Villa homeowner as defined in the Dreamland Villa Declaration of Restrictions Article I Definition Section 12. Owner and reside in Dreamland.**, appointed by the president, with the advice and consent of the board.

Article V, Board of Directors Section 7.

Section 7. To the extent any vacancy is created on the board, for whatever reason, such vacancy shall be filled by a vote of a quorum of the remaining members of the board, and the person so elected to fill the vacancy shall be **a Dreamland Villa homeowner as defined in the Dreamland Villa Declaration of Restrictions Article I Definition Section 12. Owner and reside in Dreamland.**, serve until the position is filled following the next scheduled election.

Article X Nomination and Election of Board Members and Officers Section 1a.

Section 1a. The nominating committee shall present a slate of candidates of voting members in good standing, **be a Dreamland Villa homeowner as defined in the Dreamland Villa Declaration of Restrictions Article I Definition Section 12. Owner and reside in Dreamland.**, for the board at the annual membership meeting. Members interested in being candidates for the board shall have until noon of the last business day of the calendar year to announce their candidacy to the nominating committee chairperson. The number of candidates nominated by the nominating committee should equal at least the total number of anticipated director vacancies.

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HAPPY ST PATRICK'S DAY

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AROUND THE VILLA

Minnesota Potluck

By Andrea Hill

Here is your Ole and Lena Minnesota joke for the month. Ole's farm was in way southern Minnesota. Swen came to survey his farm and said, "Ole, I got some news for ya. Your farm isn't in Minnesota, it's in Iowa." Ole said, "Oh tank goodness, I don't tink I could live trew another Minnesota Vinter."

See? If you come to our potlucks, you hear old jokes like this. And if you complain about them, then you have to come up with one of your own. It's one of our rules.

Our potlucks are held at Read Hall on the second Thursday of each month. The potluck for this month will be at Read Hall on Thursday, March 13. Doors open at 5:15 pm and we eat at 5:30 pm. Bring a dish to serve eight to ten people, your own plate, and eating utensils. You may bring your own drink if you like but coffee and tea will be provided. There are some drinks in the kitchen fridge for a dollar donation.



Super Bowl Party

By Rose Scott



The Philadelphia Eagles won Super Bowl 59 on Sunday, February 9th. Brian Phillips, Bruce Harrison, Pete Resitane, and Robin were the winners of the Super Bowl pool. We had a lot of good snacks, but only 12 people showed up! I am not sure at this time if there will be a party next year.

Thanks to Our Election Volunteers

By Joe Canino-Member, Nominating Committee Chair, and Homeowner in Dreamland Villa

Thank you to the volunteers who stepped up to help on the nominating committee and work the polls on election day this year. Without your tremendous dedication and support, we would not have been able to make this election cycle a success. We had a great turnout, got to visit with neighbors and friends that we don't get to see too often, and were able to ensure that ALL members of Dreamland Villa had a chance to exercise their right to vote.

BOOK REVIEW

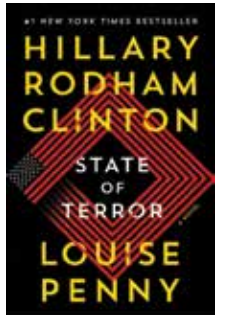
By Anita Thompson

State of Terror by Hillary Rodham Clinton and Louise Penny

This book is filled with action and is a real page-turner. A new administration in the United States has just been sworn in and surprisingly the new president chooses a political enemy to be his secretary of state.

There is no love lost between Ellen Adams, and the new president, Douglas Williams. She campaigned strongly against him. Within weeks of Ellen's appointment, terrorists strike a series of terrific blows around the world. Is the US the next target? Ellen must scramble to find out who is behind the attacks and why. To add to the problem, the previous administration left the US without many friends or allies around the world. She soon realizes the conspiracy is more intricate, the stakes are higher, and the enemies are much closer than could be imagined. Who can she trust?

Ellen assembles a surprising team of allies, including her own daughter, a passionate young female foreign service agent, and her best friend and advisor. This is a unique and compelling international thriller that I really enjoyed.



MEMORY BRICK GARDEN

By Cyndy Munday

Dreamland Villa is celebrating 10 years with our Memory Brick Garden this year. Where have all the years gone? This project was created to repair the pickleball courts and has been a great way to show the community respect and appreciation.

This project brought many volunteers out to work together; from hauling away the big mess of cactus and asphalt it once was to purchasing all the new bricks and finding a centerpiece that would not cause

added expense or maintenance to Dreamland.

The bricks are fashioned for us by Striking Stone. We have had a great working relationship with them from the very beginning.

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AROUND THE VILLA

WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS

Are you new to Dreamland Villa as a homeowner or renter? We would like to help you become acquainted with your community. More than likely, you chose Dreamland Villa for its 55-plus Community that is safe, quiet, and the homes are well maintained. The residents of Dreamland Villa are pleased that you have selected our community for your new home.

To help you become acquainted and participate in our community activities and amenities, we would like to provide you with Kee Card(s) to access our facilities and activities for the current year.

Within the first several months of your residency in Dreamland, you will

be contacted by a Dreamland team member from our welcoming volunteers to present you with your Kee Card(s) and show our appreciation for becoming a resident in the Dreamland Villa community. This Dreamland team member will be able to answer your questions, provide you with a tour of our facilities, and encourage you to participate in our many social activities.

We know that many of our new residents are still working, so we are trying to have events and activities that take place during the evening hours or weekends. We are looking forward to helping you become an active member of the Dreamland Villa community.

We have several ways of communi-

cating with our residents. We have a newspaper called the "Citizen" which is delivered to your door, a weekly email blast providing you with all the activities taking place in the upcoming weeks, a website (<https://www.dreamlandvilla.org>), and two Facebook pages dedicated to Dreamland Villa residents. All events and activities are posted on our bulletin board at our office at 320 North 55th Place.

A great way to get acquainted is to come to the coffee socials on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month, beginning at 7:30 am, in Read Hall. Hope to see you soon!

Dreamland Villa Evening at the Silver Star

By Kathie Chismar

41 Dreamland residents enjoyed an evening at the Duttons in February. Those of us who followed the family over the years were impressed as the younger members stepped up with their parents to continue the entertainment. If you have a ticket from the show, you can use your ticket to get a discount on a return visit this season by calling their box office.

As we go to press, 32 people are signed up for the Country Music show and lunch at Barleens for another entertaining afternoon. We will go to the Rock and Roll dinner show at the Silver Star this month. If you missed out on any of these events, there is one more chance. On April 8th we will go back to Barleens for their end of the year Variety Show with the same great lunch including roast beef, chicken, and ribs. Those tickets are on sale until March 21st.

Sadly, the Duttons and Barleens leave the Valley for the summer and the Silver Star has not published a summer schedule. I will set up a few casino trips for our year-round residents, so look for more information here, on our Facebook page, and in the Dreamland email blast. If you have any questions, contact me at 732- 986- 7788, or kchis1949@gmail.com.



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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.

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AROUND THE VILLA



by Lewis (Lew) Hooser

Hello to all in Dreamland Villa and Velda Rose Estates. I'm starting this month's newsletter on a personal note. I rarely find it difficult to find a subject that best suits the wonderful work that the Board members and monitors do to make Help Services what it is today. For the record, if it wasn't for all the great folks who volunteer and you folks who have donated generously through our donation letter or our donation box, we would have closed a long time ago. Our doors remain open because of you and your generosity and time.

I want you to know there is no shortage of nice people in Dreamland Villa and Velda Rose Estates. That being said, we still need new people to step up to the plate, become monitors, and join the board of directors.

At Help Services you will find rows and rows of medical equipment such as bedpans, body lift, toilet risers (with and without handrails), kneewalkers, canes of all kinds (some quads, some folding, etc.), crutches, C-walkers, wheeled walkers, wheelchairs, and beds.

Last minute update, we have an election coming up in a few days that will be held Wednesday, March 12th from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm along with our annual meeting at 1:00 pm the same day. As I mentioned to all of you, we hope that the good folks in Dreamland Villa along with Velda Rose Estates will be there for this election.

Our normal hours are Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday from 9:00 am to noon. Check us out on our web page www.HelpServicesInc.org.

And this personal message from our president Patty Thorpe, thank you all for coming to our yearly breakfast get-together last month, I hope you had a wonderful time enjoying the moment. Have a Great Day!!

ENJOYING THE ARIZONA OUTDOORS SAFELY

By Joseph Favazzo- DVRC Posse

As the temperatures begin to rise in March, Arizona's wildlife becomes more active, which means it's time to stay alert while enjoying the outdoors. Whether you're hiking the nature trail along the power lines or simply spending time in your yard, being aware of potential encounters with critters is essential for your safety.

The warming weather marks the start of increased activity from snakes, javelinas, coyotes, and even bobcats. These animals frequently access the trails and can pose dangers to both people and pets. To minimize risks, always keep pets on a lead and stay on designated trails, where you have a clear view of your surroundings. This helps you spot any potential threats in advance.

If you encounter an aggressive animal, the key is to remain calm and create distance. Slowly back away and avoid sudden movements that could provoke the animal. Be prepared to call 911 if the situation escalates or if you feel threatened. For most encounters, yelling and waving objects like hats or jackets can help scare off animals. However, this approach is not effective for snakes—give them space and let them move away on their own.

If you notice dangerous animals on the trail, it's important to report it. In Dreamland Villa, you can contact the Dreamland Villa Posse at (602) 507-0311 to share information about wildlife sightings. This helps ensure the safety of everyone using the trails.

Despite the potential challenges, hiking and outdoor activities are excellent ways to enjoy Arizona's beautiful weather and connect with nature. By staying vigilant and prepared, you can safely explore the trails and make the most of your time outside. Grab your gear, lace up your shoes, and take advantage of the season—just remember to keep safety a priority for both you and your pets.

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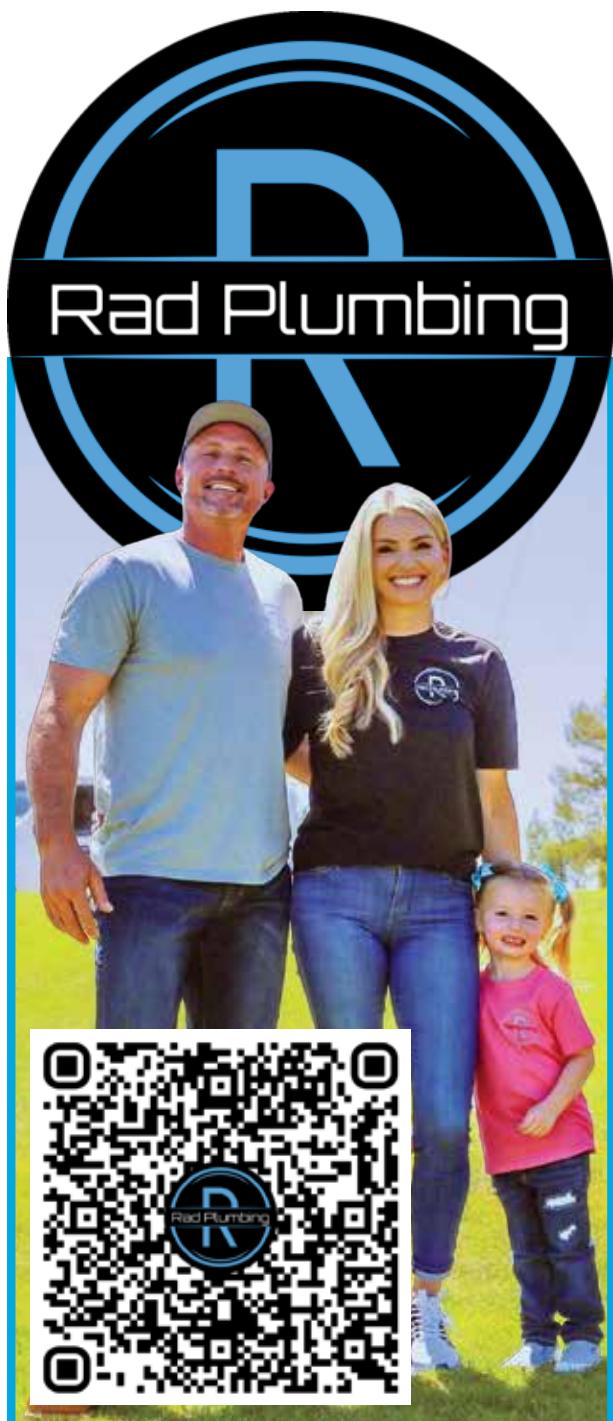
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FUSED GLASS

By David Senke

This year I'm calling it my farewell tour. Fused Glass is in its 10th year and has had hundreds of members, their friends, and family try this unique art form. At this point in my life (75 yrs. old) it's time for me to move on

to another artistic adventure. Thanks for all the good memories.

NOTICE: Possible big changes for my final year. I'm thinking about split classes for key card members. Monday classes for renters and social members. Wednesday for homeowners and then every other Friday for members 19 years old to 54 years old including board members. This may be an inconvenience for some but

should solve some issues so I can enjoy my last year.

Dreamland residents are welcome to stop in and visit the studio/shop and see what Fused Glass is all about.

Regular studio hours are: Monday and Wednesday 9:30 am to Noon and 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. We also offer a Monday night class from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

Check out the pictures of items that have been made by Dreamland members.



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Year-Round Worker's Corner

By Megan Tackett

One amazing and positive aspect of working seniors is our wealth of experience, strong work ethic, stability, and knowledge gained over a long career, often leading to better decision-making, problem-solving skills, and a strong understanding of

company operations. Additionally, working can contribute to our overall well-being by providing a sense of purpose, maintaining social connections, and boosting mental and physical health.

Key benefits of our Dreamland working seniors:

Extensive experience:

Our seniors often possess a deep understanding of their field due to years of work experience, allowing them to tackle complex issues with insightful perspectives.

High reliability:

Older workers tend to have a

strong work ethic, demonstrating consistent attendance and commitment to their roles.

Mentorship potential:

Our vast experience can be valuable in mentoring younger colleagues and transferring knowledge and skills within the workforce.

Financial stability:

Continued employment can provide additional income to supplement retirement savings and reduce financial concerns.

Improved mental health:

Engaging in meaningful work can combat feelings of isolation

and contribute to a positive mental state.

Physical well-being:

Staying active in the workforce can encourage physical activity and help maintain overall health.

Diverse perspectives:

We are fortunate in Dreamland to have such a vast workforce with a mix of ages, which can bring different viewpoints and ideas to the table, fostering innovation.

Taken from AI-generated material on the Web.

WET PAINT

By Alicia Short

ART ROOM SCHEDULE – March
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. The schedule for March is:

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS – OPEN PAINTING- NO COST- 1:00 pm – 3:30 pm- continuing Wednesdays throughout the year. 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 aliciashort01@gmail.com

THURSDAY AFTERNOONS – NEEDLE WORKERS- NO COST- For those who enjoy knitting, crocheting, and embroidery work and would like to “play” together we meet at 1:00 pm. 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. 1:00 pm – 3:30 pm.

We are looking for leaders for more crafts and art classes or get-togethers in the art room. For open days and times contact me. Contact Alicia at aliciashort01@gmail.com with ideas, suggestions, or interest in our classes.

Quilting Club

By Becky Lamson

Our photo this month is a charity quilt made by Faye Miller. It will be donated later this year to one of our charities. This quilt will fit a twin bed.

We are on our winter schedule, meeting on Thursday from 1:00 to 4:00 pm at Read Hall.

We had two meetings in February where we worked on special projects. The first project was The Cathedral Circle Table-Runner by Johnnelle and Marcia. The second was the re-schedule of the January Project, the Message Heart by Karolyn Grafton and Frances Skaggs.

At the other two February meetings, we worked on piecing quilt tops and binding.

You may work on one of your UFO's if you so desire.

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

Quilters Quote: “It’s not hoarding when it’s fabric.”





Dreamland Villa has a Ladies Golf League starting up again on November 7, 2024 and:

- Meets every Thursday around 2:30 pm
- November through March
- Desert Sands Golf Course, 74th St and Baseline

If you have thought about coming back to golf or are a beginner, please feel free to contact us at 602-363-0347 or 701-527-0146 to find out how you can join us! You can join anytime throughout the season.



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BOOK CLUB

By Anita Thompson

Our book club will meet on March 13th at 3:00 pm at Anita Thompsons home. We socialize some then discuss the two books we have read in the last month. At this meeting, we will be discussing "In the Lake of the Woods" by Tim O'Brian, and "Whiter Than Snow" by Sandra Valles.

It's usually a fun time with interesting discussions and sometimes a bit of disagreement on how much we liked a book. Bring your own water or whatever you want to drink. We meet outside on the patio



Sr. Techies Computer Club

By Megan Tackett

Put Hackers on the Defense

In life, we trust people with important responsibilities. We trust doctors with our health and well-being. We trust our shuttle drivers to get us back and forth with safety and care. In today's world, your information is valuable to you and valuable to possible hackers. Data Privacy and Cybersecurity are very important to understand in this new world of technology, which we as seniors did not grow up with like the young generation has.

Here are some proactive tips for us in Dreamland.

Be mindful of the information we give out on websites like social media sites

Best practices- Less is always Best

Do not tell your life story online about being out of the country or out of town. Information can lead to hackers seeking to find out more about your personal information

Always treat information as whether you can hear it again, say it out loud, if not best not to share it

When entering information on forms, limit it to information that is necessary for that purpose.

On social media platforms, when accepting friend requests, remember if you met someone on the street for the first time would you give them your name, phone number email address, and birthday?

Here is our class Schedule for March 2025

Mar 5, 2025 – How to print labels from your computer, laptop, or smartphones

Mar 12, 2025 – How to record phone calls

Mar 19, 2025, - What are Windows Defender, MacAfee, and Norton, do they work?

Mar 26, 2025 - The rise of AI in smartphones, what will they look like in the future?

I hope to see you all there, at 4:00 pm in Room 9, the computer room at Read Hall.

DREAMLAND VILLA SINGLES CLUB

By Lu Wald

To save space, I will no longer repeat listing the fun stuff we did last month! We will focus a bit more on the upcoming events that are planned. That being said, we've scheduled some fun activities in March. We'll start the month with our monthly potluck dinner on the 3rd; remember, it is now happening on the first Monday of each month at 5:30 pm. Since we started the week dining as a group, we'll end the week at RT O'Sullivan's for lunch at 11:30 on Friday. Next, the pancake breakfast the following day at Read Hall, and topping it off with dinner at the Silver Star on Saturday night. Some of us will head to Fountain Hills for Broadway Bound Musical production on the 14th. On the 18th we'll dine-out at Peaks Pizza and Grill for Dinner. We'll carpool to the Friendship Gardens in Phoenix on the 19th. Our music lovers will carpool to Chandler for a free concert by the Chandler Symphony. As the Red Mountain High School

always presents a wonderful play each year, we'll be taking in their Shrek production on Saturday the 29th. Some of our activities require reservations or advanced tickets, so be sure to contact us by calling Kathie at 732-830-6641, or sending an email to singles@dreamlandvilla.org to learn more. If you would like a calendar, stop by the office or go to the web page dreamlandvilla.org, and find Clubs & Activities > Entertainment and Socialization. There you'll find Singles Club and our monthly calendars. There is also a link to the calendar on the email blast sent out throughout the month. Remember, our meetings are always on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 9:30 am. If you're interested in learning more about our club, please come to a meeting or our potluck, generally every first Monday of the month. Our calendars are always on the dreamlandvilla.org web page and attached to the weekly email blast. Happy St. Patrick's Day.

Dreamland Bowling League

By Cyndy Munday

Hello to all of you who are interested in our bowling league. This league has been here a long time, long before I moved to Dreamland. Since joining many years ago, I have met some wonderful folks and appreciate their commitment to our little group. It's fun to see them each week.

Come and join us if you would like to meet some nice folks and have your

chance to knock those pesky pins down. Our winter league will last until early April then we go back to our summer hours and "drop-in" league where you are not committed each week.

We wish to thank all the "subs" we have had this year. They have been so great to step up and help out by joining our group. Thanks again for being there for us.

Top Bowlers

Week of 01/10/25 –

Ulic Henehan 201, 216; Cyn Munday 187; Dan Griffiths 177; Roger Kaufman 212, 192, 201; Dave Cutler 188; Ken Busch 189; Judy Schulster 193; Jerry Cole 190; Dan Jenkins 186; Tess Debonis 155;

Maggie DeLong 154, 157; Chuck Kaye 190; Kevin Todd 176, 188;

Nancy Cole 157; Denise Matteson 183, 226, 177; Sara Kempke 157; Wayne Herremann 193

Week of-1/17/25 –

Dave Cutler 183; Ulic Henehan 203; Cindy Pena 181; Steve Pena 178; Linda Busch 170; Ken Busch 172; Judy Schulster 169; Jerry Cole 183; Dan Jenkins 172; Denise Matteson 167; Harry Cole 187; Jack Critchet 168; Wayne Herremann 182; Brian Wheeler 201

Week of- 1/24/25 –

Jon Hopkins 172; Cindy Pena 171; Andrea Hill 169; Steve Pena 192; Sara

Kempke 168; Wayne Herremann 190; Dave Miller 181; Judy Schulster 172; Jerry Cole 203; Dan Jenkins 181; Denise Matteson 237; Ulic Henehan 214; Dan Griffiths 187

SPLITS PICKED UP –

Sara Kempke 5-10; Nancy Cole 3-10; Tess Debonis 3-10; Harry Cole 6-10; Nancy Cole 3-10; Jerry Cole 3-10; Cindy Pena 5-7; Dan Griffiths 3-10; Denise Matteson 3-6-7; Rosanne 5-7; Ulic Henehan 5-7; Darlene Poynter 3-10; Jack Critchet 5-10; Dave Miller 5-10; Andrea Hill 5-8-10

If you are interested in subbing this season or need more information, please call Cyndy Munday at 425-218-1105. Thank you.

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DESERT WALKERS

By Pat Dinsmore

I appreciate that the winter chill of January has hopefully passed. Our Desert Walker group had a very nice walk in Chaparral Park of Scottsdale on the 17th of January. The paths were paved and there was an interesting terraced area that you could walk into and just relax. We finished with a nice lunch at Randy's Restaurant just across from the park.

We hiked the Lake Overlook Trail in Fountain Hills in a residential neighborhood just across from the lake on Febru-

ary 7th. It was an amazing trail right in town with wonderful views of the Fountain, the Four Peaks, and McDowell Mountains as well as a great view of the community of Fountain Hills. I had no idea there was such a neat desert trail right in town. We needed nourishment after our hike, of course, so we had lunch at Phil's Filling Station which was within walking distance of the trail end. A point of interest in Fountain Hills is the Centennial Circle at River of Time Museum and Fountain Hills Public Library plaza; it has a wonderful display of art and interesting information about the State of Arizona. We did not take time to go there but I have been there and it is well worth your time.

Our walk on Friday, February 21st to Usery Park was very

enjoyable. We are considering Phon D Sutton for the March 7th Walk, and for March 21st we are tentatively planning on a walk nearby on Mountain Vista Trail off of north Recker Road. We do not have any plans for April at this point.

We welcome new members. Our walks are not too strenuous, typically 1-3 miles, stopping to enjoy the scenery. We meet at 9:00 am at the west end of Farnsworth Hall parking lot to carpool. Remember to pay your driver \$2-\$5 depending on distance and entrance fee if applicable. Wear comfortable shoes and a hat; bring a walking stick if you'd like, a snack, water, and a lunch if we picnic. I will send out a reminder email a few days before each walk. You can reach me at pedinsmore@hotmail.com with questions.

2025 MARCH MONTHLY EVENTS 2025						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
23 (February)	24	25	26 <u>Singles Club</u> <u>9:30AM -</u>	27 <u>Card Bingo</u> <u>10:30AM -</u>	28 <u>Bunco</u> <u>6:30PM -</u>	1
2 <u>Town Hall Meeting</u> <u>2:00PM -</u>	3 <u>Singles Potluck</u> <u>5:30PM -</u>	4 <u>Board Study Session</u> <u>5:30pm</u>	5	6 <u>Bunco</u> <u>6:30PM -</u>	7	8 <u>Coffee Social</u> <u>7:30AM -</u> <u>9:00AM</u> Membership Meeting 10:00 am
9	10	11 <u>Board Meeting</u> <u>9:30AM -</u>	12 <u>Singles Club</u> <u>9:30AM -</u>	13 <u>Card Bingo</u> <u>10:30AM -</u> <u>Minnesota Potluck</u> <u>5:15PM -</u>	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22 <u>Coffee Social</u> <u>7:30AM -</u> <u>9:00AM</u>
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30	31	1 (April)	2	3 <u>Bunco</u> <u>6:30PM -</u>	4	5

March 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 R-O Help Services 9:00 - Noon HS Wood Shop 9:00 - 11:30 R-10 Fused Glass 9:30 - Noon R-7	Aquacise Class 8:00 - 8:45 R-O Lapidary 8:00 - 11:30 R-6 Bocce Ball 9:00 - 11:00 F-O Fun Time Ceramics 9:00 - 1:00 R-7 Wood Shop 9:00 - 11:30 R-10	Aquacise Class 8:00 - 8:45 R-O Lapidary 8:00 - 11:30 R-6 Pickleball 8:00 R-O Help Services 9:00 - Noon HS Wood Shop 9:00 - 11:30 R-10 Fused Glass 9:30 - Noon R-7	Aquacise Class 8:00 - 8:45 R-O Lapidary 8:00 - 11:30 R-6 Bocce Ball 9:00 F-O Fun Time Ceramics 9:00 - Noon R-7 Wood Shop 9:00 - 11:30 R-10 Card Bingo 10:30 - 12:00 R-O	Aquacise Class 8:00 - 8:45 R-O Lapidary 8:00 - 11:30 R-6 Pickleball 8:00 R-O Help Services 9:00 - Noon HS Wood Shop 9:00 - 11:30 R-10 Nickel Poker 10:00 - 2:00 R-8	Bocce Ball 9:00 F-O Woodshop 9:00 - 11:30 R-10
	MONDAY PM	TUESDAY PM	WEDNESDAY PM	THURSDAY PM	FRIDAY PM	SATURDAY PM
	Cards - Hand, Foot & Toe 1:00 - 4:00 R-A Fused Glass 1:00 - 3:00 R-7 Woodshop 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 & Toe 1:00 - 4:00 R-B Singles Cards 1:00 - 4:00 R-B Woodshop 1:00 - 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 Woodshop 1:00 - 3:00 R-10	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 & Toe 6:00 - 8:00 R-A	Cards - Cribbage 1:00 R-B Wood Shop 1:00 - 3:30 R-10 Bowling 3:00 O Cards - Hand, Foot & Toe 6:00 - 8:00 R-A	Cards - Pinochle 1:00 R-B

FROM THE BOARD

MINUTES

Dreamland Villa Retirement Community Board of Directors Meeting

February 11, 2025, 9:30 am Read Hall

Welcome: Heather Canterbury, President

General Announcements: Board Elections today until 7 pm in Computer Room, Town Hall 3/2 Read Hall, Special Membership Meeting 3/8 Farnsworth Hall (Club By Law changes attached), RH Pool cleanup 2/12, Clubbing 2/14, Pancake breakfast 2/15, Barleen Show 2/22, Coffee Social 2/22, Sheriff fraud presentation 2/26, Organ Stop 2/27, Card Bingo 2/13 & 2/27, Night Card Bingo 2/19, Trail Cleanup 2/15

Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order: Heather Canterbury, President

Roll Call: Joyce Canino, Secretary. Directors: Heather Canterbury, Dave Warren, Beth White, Pat Clark and Joyce Canino. All present.

Ratification of Minutes: Directors ratified the January 11, 2025 Annual Membership Meeting minutes, the January 14, 2025, Board of Director's meeting minutes and the Board of Director's February 4, 2025, Study Session minutes.

Treasurer's Report: Reports are posted on the bulletin board and website and available in the office. A few members voiced concerns and asked questions over some figures that were printed and reimbursement from T2 with regards to utilities. Pauline said she will certainly look into it.

It was stated that with the extensive work on the financials in the past 2 months, the 2024 end of year audit has not been done and may skip this year. A member said it's in the By Laws that is must be done. Heather said she would look into forming a committee to do it.

Craft Show: Lana stated 73 applications have been sent, 17% have been processed, \$320 have been collected to date, flyers and Save the Date have been created, the Application for Event has been submitted but the office staff doesn't know what to do with it. Next meeting is April 18, 2025 if anyone wants to participate. Craft Show is November 22.

Office Manager Report: No report available.

Maintenance Report: Rick gave a report on the FH Leak stating the pool was leaking 2.5-4 inches of water a day (3,926.79 gallons a day or 117,803.70 gallons a month), a pressure test costing \$1800 was done and found 4 skimmers leaking, 2 side wall cracks, leakage below the water line and steps in the deep end had leakage. Skimmers and wall cracks were repaired and 3 steps removed and replaced for a total cost of \$900. All output covers were sealed. Still have a leak that couldn't be located under the cement. Currently only losing 1/2-1.5 inches water a day (2118.69 gallons a day or 39,267.90 gallons a month). Rick stated that the housing and pump needs to be replaced as everything is outdated by 10 years now. Rick talked about getting camera's installed at FH pool and 2 for behind RH from the University parking lot to the Butte St pool parking lot; there has been issues with kee cards not working at FH pool; a camera needs to be installed in the office where the safe is. The Board asked Rick about the oven padlock being missing. Rick said to contact the last person that rented the RH as they were using the stove/oven.

OLD BUSINESS:

Farnsworth Hall: A policy from before T2 leased the hall was presented with rental fees for guidance. Pat suggested creating a committee to research other facilities for prices, Dave volunteered. It was also suggested the Board should take the lead after researching and come up with prices. The former fees need to be increased as this policy is several years old.

A proposal was submitted to Heather for Sophie Rae's Boutique to use the FH parking lot for vendors 2 Saturday's a month (TBD), each vendor will have their own electricity, business licenses, permits for food trucks and liability insurance; the promoter will bring in port-a-potty's. The offer is for \$300 a day, starting March & April and starts back up from November-April 2026 with operation hours from 9am - 2pm, vendors arriving at 6:30am to set up. Mary Sable offered to check out the other locations they operate. Several mentioned the parking lot usage during DVRC events: morning Bocchi ball, Special Meetings, pool parking spaces, possible Craft Show, any other rental events, etc. Heather will find a contract template that DVRC can fill out.

Pat made a motion to accept the proposed \$300/day in addition to 1% of the promoters fee contingent on proper liability insurance/permits/licenses on a trial basis for March and April and will revisit possibly renegotiating before the November restart. Dave seconded, passed unanimously.

Memory Brick Garden: Heather made a motion to reinstate the committee. Pat seconded, passed unanimously.

P&P Credit & Debit Card Policy: Heather proposed accepting the revisions. Joyce seconded, passed unanimously.

Butte Street Vacant Lot: Directors electronically approved the sale for \$120K due to essences of time. Heather made a motion to reflect the counteroffer of \$120K being accepted by the Seller and Board. Dave seconded, passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

Interim Director Appointment: Heather requested and received approval from the Board to appoint Robert (Bob) Westall as Interim Director. Bob was sworn in and took his seat at the table.

New Sponsor Associate Member: Rescheduled for March.

Policy & Procedure Discipline: Heather made a motion to create a separate committee for Membership Disciplinary with the P&P committee as the liaison. Pat seconded, passed unanimously. Kevin stated he would write up something for the Blast to recruit committee members.

A member asked about the law firm to make our By Laws, Code of Ethics, and Articles of Incorporation legal, clear and concise. Heather stated they were paid and will be starting on the project.

Adjourned: 10:48 AM

Submitted by: Joyce Canino, Secretary

Open Forum: A member read his statement about members tearing the community apart, former board members dividing the community, accomplishing nothing to better the community and trying to dismantle the Club. Former president, Steve, spoke of the email Heather sent asking about his offer to help with information regarding the July 2022 recall. Heather stated at this time the board has not discussed anything and that she is going through the invoices and paid bills as that is the easiest to figure out first. Steve said he would give Heather any information needed.

Dreamland Villa Retirement PROFIT AND LOSS January - December 2024

	TOTAL
Income	
4000 Annual Fee Revenue	0.00
4000.1 Annual Fee Revenue	343,770.36
4000.2 Payment Plan for dues	3,453.60
4000.3 Pro-rated Dues	1,222.06
Total 4000 Annual Fee Revenue	348,446.02
4001 55+ Donation Income	3,727.03
4001.2 Hardship Fund Income	100.00
Total 4001 55+ Donation Income	3,827.03
4003 Donations - Unrestricted	1,250.50
4101 Read Hall Event/Kitchen Income	832.79
4102 Special Events Revenue	6,037.96
4208 Entertainment-TAD	
4208.1 Ticket Sales	4,957.43
4208.2 Lease Payment	30,000.00
4208.3 Utility Reimbursement	16,998.36
Total 4208 Entertainment-TAD	51,955.79
4300 Administrative Related Income	
4002 Transfer & Escrow Fees	
4002.1 Transfer Fee	51,900.00
4002.2 Escrow Fees	25,850.00
Total 4002 Transfer & Escrow Fees	77,750.00
4100 Read Hall Rental Income	3,834.50
4300.2 Commissions & Misc Revenue	1,047.50
4300.3 Kee Card Replacement	286.75
4501 Activity Fees	210.00
Total 4300 Administrative Related Income	83,128.75
4400 Restricted Accounts Income	
4403.2 Special Events Income	871.60
4405 Nature Walk Income	1,302.80
Total 4400 Restricted Accounts Income	2,174.40
4500 Misc. Income	2,500.00
4502 Interest Earned	10,853.31
4503 Crown Castle Lease Income	14,400.00
4510 Restricted Income	595.00
Total Income	\$526,001.55
GROSS PROFIT	\$526,001.55
Expenses	
5001 55+ Compliance Expense	547.32
5300 Admin & Office Expenses	49.72
5300.1 Postage	67.41
5300.2 Copy Machine Expense	3,022.56
5300.3 Supplies	4,637.45
5300.4 Subscriptions/Fees/Monitoring	106.29
5300.5 Telephone, Internet & Website Exp	8,107.02
5300.6 Accounting Expense	2,120.22
5300.8 Permits, Licenses & Fees	3,049.15
5300.9 Advertising	642.64
5300.95 Computer & Camera Systems	490.16
5300.97 Volunteer Benefits	258.95
5501.1 Property Tax	9.72
5502 Bank Charges	1,192.76
5503 Credit Card Fees	-39.00
5503.1 Intuit Credit Card Fees ONLY	-96.92
5503.2 Credit Card Fees NOT Intuit	293.36
Total 5503 Credit Card Fees	157.44
5601.2 Citizen	6,300.00
5601.3 Blast & Graphic Design	5,250.00
5801 Legal Expense	1,833.00
5901 Parcel Split/FH Appraisal	1,530.00
Total 5300 Admin & Office Expenses	38,824.49
5350 Membership Marketing Expense	2,164.38
5400 Restricted Accounts Expense	
5403 Fundraiser Expense	109.91
5403.2 Special Events Expenses	23.76
Total 5403 Fundraiser Expense	133.67
5404 Member Retention Exp	1,931.82
Total 5400 Restricted Accounts Expense	2,065.49
5501.5 Income Tax Expense	3,355.00
5900 Insurance	
5900.1 Fire Protection	8,885.28
5900.2 General Insurance	52,627.00
Total 5900 Insurance	61,512.28
5950 Read Hall Expenses	
5950.1 Read Kitchen Exp	746.38
5950.2 Special Events Expenses	1,368.93
Total 5950 Read Hall Expenses	2,115.31
6200 Farnsworth Hall Expenses	139.07
6201 Bldg & Grounds Maintenance	2,204.23
6201.1 Parts & Building Repair	5,966.14
6201.2 Consumable Supplies	5,873.36
6201.3 Contractor Work	11,675.36
6201.4 Vehicle Expense	1,989.01
Total 6201 Bldg & Grounds Maintenance	27,708.10
6300 Swimming Pools Expenses	413.26
6300.1 Gas - Pools	57,585.46
6300.2 Pool Repairs	8,686.77
6300.3 Pool Chemicals	14,579.88
Total 6300 Swimming Pools Expenses	81,265.37
6400 Utilities	629.83
6400.2 Electric	44,496.10
6400.3 Water/Sewer	14,643.86
6400.4 Trash Collection	1,915.07
Total 6400 Utilities	61,684.86
6690 Reconciliation Discrepancies	-0.27
7000 Payroll & Related Expenses	0.00
7001 Maintenance Payroll Costs	
7001.1 Maintenance Gross Wages	97,149.06
7002.1 Maintenance Payroll Tax Exp	8,742.64
Total 7001 Maintenance Payroll Costs	105,891.70
7002 Office Payroll Costs	
7001.2 Office Gross Wages	75,266.14
7002.2 Office Payroll Tax Exp	6,971.57
Total 7002 Office Payroll Costs	82,237.71
7003 Employee Benefits	223.96
7004 Workers Comp Ins.	1,122.55
7005 Payroll Processing	2,663.01
Total 7000 Payroll & Related Expenses	192,138.93
Total Expenses	\$473,520.33
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$52,481.22
Other Expenses	
Reconciliation Discrepancies-1	0.00
Total Other Expenses	\$0.00
NET OTHER INCOME	\$0.00
NET INCOME	\$52,481.22

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Dreamland Villa Retirement BALANCE SHEET As of December 2024

	TOTAL		
	AS OF DEC 31, 2024	AS OF DEC 31, 2023 (PP)	CHANGE
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Bank Accounts			
1010 Checking Account	98,644.87	55,753.17	42,891.70
1011 Petty Cash	920.00	920.00	0.00
1200 Money Market Accounts	0.00	0.00	0.00
1210 Chase Checking	7,080.61	38,563.03	-31,482.42
1215 Chase CD	200,000.00	250,000.00	-50,000.00
Total 1200 Money Market Accounts	207,080.61	288,563.03	-81,482.42
Total Bank Accounts	\$306,645.48	\$345,236.20	\$ -38,590.72
Accounts Receivable			
1050 Accounts Receivable	0.00	-195.70	195.70
Total Accounts Receivable	\$0.00	\$ -195.70	\$195.70
Total Current Assets	\$306,645.48	\$345,040.50	\$ -38,395.02
Fixed Assets			
1100 Equipment	83,628.23	83,628.23	0.00
1110 Land	69,174.00	69,174.00	0.00
1120 Buildings	877,114.00	877,114.00	0.00
1130 Building Improvements	261,435.00	246,235.00	15,200.00
1140 Swimming Pools	351,248.73	351,248.73	0.00
1150 Furniture and Fixtures	35,841.13	35,841.13	0.00
1170 Accumulated Depreciation	-1,327,458.00	-1,327,458.00	0.00
Total Fixed Assets	\$350,983.09	\$335,783.09	\$15,200.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$657,628.57	\$680,823.59	\$ -23,195.02
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable			
2600 Accounts Payable	0.00	-5,690.23	5,690.23
Total Accounts Payable	\$0.00	\$ -5,690.23	\$5,690.23
Other Current Liabilities			
2000 Advance Dues Payments	85,633.66	162,656.71	-77,023.05
2100 Facility Use Deposits	0.00	0.00	0.00
2100.1 Farnsworth Hall Deposits	0.00	2,500.00	-2,500.00
2100.2 Read Hall Deposits	0.00	440.00	-440.00
Total 2100 Facility Use Deposits	0.00	2,940.00	-2,940.00
2200 Accrued Income Tax Payable	0.00	2,393.42	-2,393.42
2403 Restricted Funds	990.00	0.00	990.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	\$86,623.66	\$167,990.13	\$ -81,366.47
Total Current Liabilities	\$86,623.66	\$162,299.90	\$ -75,676.24
Total Liabilities	\$86,623.66	\$162,299.90	\$ -75,676.24
Equity			
3030 Retained Earnings	518,523.69	518,523.69	0.00
Net Income	52,481.22	0.00	52,481.22
Total Equity	\$571,004.91	\$518,523.69	\$52,481.22
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$657,628.57	\$680,823.59	\$ -23,195.02



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