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Community News

Candidates Announced for Master Board

Four candidates are running for three open seats on the Desert Mountain Master Board. Winners will be announced at the 26th Annual Meeting of the Desert Mountain Master Association, which will take place on January 25, 2016, at 3:00pm at Cochise-Geronimo's Sunset Terrace.

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The Road Ahead

By: Kevin Pollock, Community Manager

It's almost that time of year. The time when many of us celebrate the end of another calendar year, start winding down some of the work we're doing, and get ready for the holiday period. Just as we reflect on accomplishments from the outgoing year, we are planning for the upcoming year, and years ahead. The Master Association Staff, Board and Committees work diligently to not only complete the work set out for the year, but to make sure that the road ahead is well planned for. For Desert Mountain, this is a literal and figurative statement.

With 68 miles of private roads inside the Community, it is no surprise that each and every year there is some sort of road project planned. In 2016, for example, there are 26 projects scheduled with a price tag of almost \$2M spread out over the Master and Village Associations. These projects would never be completed if they weren't planned for, and reserved for, many years ago. And because the useful life of many of Desert Mountain's roads is coming to an end, we are planning for their inevitable replacement. As you will read in Treasurer Ryan Larson's article on page 10, the Master Association is increas-

ing reserve funding, mostly to address the replacement of Desert Mountain Parkway in 2020 with a rubberized surface. Ninety percent of the Master reserves can be attributed to road maintenance and replacement and the Board and Staff consider this when approving the reserve study. Although the reserve study is updated every few years, the funding model is always based on a 30-year projection. So our road map for future expenditures is constantly being evaluated to ensure that the proper funding is available when the project is expected.

The road ahead will also be paved by new members on the Master Board. There are three openings for 2016 and you

"...make sure the road ahead is well planned for"

can read all about the candidates starting on page 20. Better yet, we are also featuring "Meet the Candidate" videos on our website. Be sure to log in to view them. And be sure to join us on January 25, 2016 for our Annual Meeting.

On behalf of the entire Master Association Staff, we would like to extend our warmest thoughts and best wishes for a wonderful Holiday Season and Happy New Year. ■

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As I wrote this, Thanksgiving was a week away, the holidays were beginning, and it will soon be the end of 2015. My heart is filled with gratitude for the great blessings in my life—my faith, my husband and our family, my career and our

beautiful community. We've just had our world shaken, again, by terrorism in France. It gives me pause to again be thankful for all we have here. With that thought, we turn to the future of Desert Mountain, and how best to preserve a way of life we all cherish.

As you probably know, a great part of your HOA fees are put into a reserve fund for future projects. The largest financial piece of those projects will be continuing repairs to, and the ultimate replacement of, our roads. Our Treasurer, Ryan Larson, speaks to our projections for the road system in his column this month. Please know that Bruce Spilka keeps a constant eye on developing "technologies" for better roadways. He keeps the Officers informed of these developments, and we encourage his seeking those ideas to help us maintain a world-class community. Most importantly, know that we have prudently managed your reserved funds, and are on target to fully fund the project in its estimated time.

We have recently heard about the latest technology for our security system as well. Our counterparts at the Club have encouraged us to upgrade the aesthetics of the system we have, and we believe we've found a solution that will work. Please look forward to those enhancements in the first half of 2016, pending approval by the Master Board. We'll communicate what we're doing, and when, once we've settled on our plan.

At the December 7th Master Board meeting, we looked at both the DLC and the Anderson Security contracts. Both of these companies have done an excellent job in partnering with us to make your community beautiful and safe. They are valuable to our future, and provide services that enhance our way of life.

As we close 2015, I wish you joy, good times with those you love, and good health. Please know we will always do our best for you. If there is anything we can do, please let us know. ■

All the best,
Sissy Sailors

President
Desert Mountain Master Association

COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE

The HOA has transitioned from the Club's network server to our own server. Please visit page 38 to find our new phone numbers and email addresses for HOA Staff. Our website address has also been updated. You may visit www.desertmthoa.com and login to this secure website to find updates, forms, and additional information regarding your HOA.

If you are returning to the Mountain this Fall, please remember to call Donna at 480-635-5602 or email her at dhardin@desertmthoa.com with your change of billing address to ensure you receive all mailings from the HOA (please note the Club maintains a separate database and they may be contacted at 480-595-4000). Please inform us of any information updates such as; email changes, new home and cell numbers, and new mailing addresses (out-of-state and in-state). If you would like to add your email address to the HOA e-blast listing so you are instantly up-to-date (2 emails per household allowed) please let us know as well. Thank you!



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4th Quarter Update

Network Separation Complete

As mentioned in my editor's message, the Master Association is looking at the "road ahead", and for us that includes the network systems separation from the Club. This project was more than just changing email addresses and phone numbers. It included a complete change of thought when it comes to storing and protecting information within our systems, including homeowner information. The separation allows us to wirelessly store information to CCMC's corporate servers, which have a high level of security. Prior storage was by

disc drive! A big thanks to DMMA Information Systems Administrator Tim Fischer and DMCI Director of IT Andrew Heard (and his team) for a seamless transition. This was a large and complex project and it went off without a hitch. Check out page 38 for all of the new contact information.

Wildland and NAOS Seminar Held

On behalf of the Landscape Committee, the Master Association hosted a Wildland and NAOS Seminar on November 11th. The seminar was initially intended to educate landscapers that serviced Desert Mountain Owners but was eventually opened up to other contractors and residents as well. The Association invited City of Scottsdale's Deputy Chief of Fire & Life Safety Jim Ford, Senior Planner Wendy Hardy and Drainage Inspector Robert Henderson to provide information pertaining to maintenance of the NAOS and washes. Representatives from DLC Resources were also in attendance to educate everyone with respect to invasive species.

What is NAOS? In the Environmentally Sensitive Land Ordinance (ESLO) which affects the northern two-thirds of the area north of the Central Arizona Canal, there are requirements for providing open space on each parcel. Natural Area Open Space (NAOS) areas are either natural desert that has been undisturbed by development activity or where development has restored the desert terrain and vegetation to its natural condition. It is very

important to provide continuous open spaces along washes in order to sustain both the desert plants and animals. NAOS can be dedicated on individual lots or on common tracts (maintained by homeowners associations). All lots within Desert Mountain, with the exception of those built by the developer, have some degree of NAOS within them. The regulations set forth by the City allow for owners to create a "defensible space" to protect their home and the seminar was held to address this process. It is vitally important that the landscapers who service our residents are educated on what can be maintained within the NAOS and the Landscape Committee felt strongly enough about the topic to provide this seminar. As a Scottsdale resident, you can also request a free wildland inspection by a representative from the Fire Department by calling 480-312-FIRE. The inspector will visit with you and identify areas that can be maintained in order to create your defensible space. Please be advised that all recommendations from the inspector will be to address fire hazards only, not views.

We have spoken with the participants from the City about having another seminar in the spring so that more homeowners can attend while they are in town for the season. Please contact Donna Hardin at 480-635-5602 or dhardin@desertmthoa.com if you are interested in attending a future presentation. You can also log on to the community website and view the presentation.

Update on Wireless Antennae

As we have reported over the past several editions of the magazine, the DMMA is in the process of finding a solution to the wireless antennae currently on Club properties. It was hopeful that the antennae could be screened from view using a faux chimney or parapet application. Unfortunately, our wireless engineers determined that moving them to different locations on the roof(s) to present the most aesthetically pleasing elevation would negatively impact their signal. All is not lost though. Further study shows we can change out equipment on the roof(s) and incorporate the radio into existing village poles. A few village poles will need to be moved slightly to achieve the best signal possible, and a pole will be installed at the DHE gate. This upgrade would achieve the goal of getting all equipment off of Club property and getting those villages offline because of the Sonoran renovation back to working properly. The Master Board is scheduled to review the proposal at their December Board Meeting and the hope would be to have the entire project complete by the end March 2016 if approved. ■

Kevin Pollock, PCAM, CAAM
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Winter 2015/2016 Treasurer's Report

By: Ryan Larson, Treasurer, DMMA

One of the key objectives of your Board is to manage the financial affairs of the Association in a prudent and proactive manner. In keeping with that priority, we have recently approved a budget for 2016 (published in this edition of Connection) which is based on what we believe are a set of conservative assumptions and adequately provides for the operations of the Association. The budget anticipates an increase in dues revenue of about \$140K and a reduction of \$265K in expenses over projected year end 2015 results.

As we have stated a number of times in past editions, a significant focus of our financial planning is building long term reserves for major projects in the future. The largest of these projects is the expected 2020 replacement of the Desert Mountain Parkway. These reserves are necessary to pay for this work at completion without requiring a major assessment. We project ending 2015 by adding over \$600K to these reserves and increase the contribution by almost 25% in 2016. These continued contributions should put

us on a path to a fully funded new Parkway.

While 2020 seems like a long time from now, your Board is already active in planning for the Parkway replacement. In keeping with the First Class status of the amenities and facilities in our beautiful Desert Mountain community, we will be striving to plan for a truly outstanding and upgraded result in this very important asset. You will be reading more in the future about our research and planning. ■

2016 DESERT MOUNTAIN HOA ASSESSMENTS SUMMARY

	Increase/ (Decrease)	VILLAGE		Village + Master	
		SEMI-ANNUALLY	SEMI-ANNUALLY	SEMI-ANNUALLY	SEMI-ANNUALLY
		Lot Only	Lot with House	Lot Only	Lot with House
MASTER	4.45%		707.28		
Apache Cottages	-10.0%		1,749.60		2,456.88
Apache Peak	0.6%	659.46	989.16	1,366.74	1,696.44
Arrowhead	0.0%	630.00	945.00	1,337.28	1,652.28
Cochise Geronimo	2.0%	807.84	1,211.76	1,515.12	1,919.04
Cochise Ridge	3.0%		477.18		1,184.46
Deer Run	0.0%	1,194.00	1,791.00	1,901.28	2,498.28
Desert Fairways	5.0%		598.50		1,305.78
Desert Greens	1.5%		755.10		1,462.38
Desert Hills	4.2%		682.74		1,390.02
Desert Horizons	20.0%		566.52		1,273.80
Eagle Feather	3.5%		900.24		1,607.52
Haciendas	2.0%		2,911.62		3,618.90
Gambel Quail	3.5%		900.24		1,607.52
Grey Fox	5.0%	486.54	729.78	1,193.82	1,437.06
Lone Mountain	2.0%	2,005.62	3,008.46	2,712.90	3,715.74
Lone Mountain II	4.0%	1,087.80	1,631.70	1,795.08	2,338.98
Lookout Ridge	0.0%		1,029.00		1,736.28
Lost Star	0.0%	737.34	1,105.98	1,444.62	1,813.26
Mountain Skyline	0.0%	495.24	742.86	1,202.52	1,450.14
Painted Sky	3.0%	519.72	779.58	1,227.00	1,486.86
Renegade Trail	3.0%		1,444.38		2,151.66
Rose Quartz	2.2%	499.68	749.52	1,206.96	1,456.80
Saguaro Forest	0.0%	972.96	1,459.44	1,680.24	2,166.72
*Cintarosa Ranch	10.0%	1,392.06	1,878.54	2,099.34	2,585.82
Seven Arrows	20.0%	1,081.20	1,621.80	1,788.48	2,329.08
Sonoran Cottages	1.0%		1,226.82		1,934.10
Sonoran Ridge	0.0%		1,236.24		1,943.52
Sunrise	3.5%		900.24		1,607.52
Sunset Canyon	0.0%	673.56	1,010.34	1,380.84	1,717.62
Turquoise Ridge	0.5%	558.42	837.66	1,265.70	1,544.94

*A neighborhood assessment is applied in Cintarosa Ranch with the Saguaro Forest Assessments.



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Treasurer's Report



	BUDGET 2015	PROJECTED END 2015	BUDGET 2016	VARIANCE 2015 Proj. End vs. 2016 Budget	VARIANCE 2015 vs 2016 Budget
OPERATING INCOME					
0401 Association Dues	3,244,951	3,240,888	3,382,278	141,390	137,327
0403 Developer Assessments	8,126	8,126	8,134	8	8
04010700 Construction Access Fees	137,500	334,500	167,250	(167,250)	29,750
0423 Less: Bad Debt (1%)	(32,450)	(8,334)	(33,823)	(25,489)	(1,373)
0425 Owner Services Management Fee	24,000	24,000	24,000	0	0
0435 Design Review Income	224,250	418,238	209,119	(209,119)	(15,131)
0442 Advertising Income	47,990	47,990	47,990	0	0
0451 Interest Income	2,000	3,580	3,500	(80)	1,500
0459 Misc. Income	110,012	117,394	116,635	(759)	6,623
0460 Cell Antenna Income	16,592	16,416	16,580	164	(12)
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	3,782,972	4,202,797	3,941,663	(261,134)	158,691
OPERATING EXPENSES					
ADMINISTRATION					
0512 Administration - Staff	980,000	959,766	1,018,284	58,518	38,284
0553 Audit & Tax Return	16,372	10,450	10,660	210	(5,712)
0561 Legal Fees	45,000	73,464	60,000	(13,464)	15,000
0565 Management Fee	115,900	115,900	115,900	0	0
0567 Meeting Expense	26,500	30,000	30,000	0	3,500
0568 Newsletter Expense	36,000	36,000	36,000	0	0
0569 Office Supplies	82,500	82,633	82,500	(133)	0
0571 Professional Fees	150,000	324,734	138,742	(185,992)	(11,258)
0573 Telephone	36,090	29,071	29,000	(71)	(7,090)
0575 Events	8,000	10,000	10,000	0	2,000
OPERATIONS					
0605 Janitorial (Formerly part of IT w/Club)	47,340	43,800	4,200	(39,600)	(43,140)
0607 Internet Access	0	4,725	19,140	14,415	19,140
0619 Landscape Maintenance	354,906	354,906	354,948	42	42
06190006 Landscape Replacement	30,000	30,000	30,000	0	0
06190017 Trails Maintenance	19,250	19,250	18,000	(1,250)	(1,250)
0620 Office Rent	92,547	90,732	91,639	907	(908)
0636 Guard Service	857,502	805,701	858,795	53,094	1,293
0458 Club Security Reimbursement	(105,000)	(105,000)	(105,000)	0	0
0642 Street Sweeping	15,629	14,409	14,841	432	(788)
0672 Repairs & Maintenance	39,820	67,344	45,188	(22,156)	5,368
06980002 Wash/Culvert Cleaning	244,250	383,481	250,000	(133,481)	5,750
0751 Electricity	12,140	8,328	8,500	172	(3,640)
0758 Water	2,575	1,740	1,750	10	(825)
TAXES & INSURANCE					
0805 Real Estate Tax	1,000	50	50	0	(950)
0807 Income Tax	10,000	8,365	10,000	1,635	0
0853 Insurance	22,209	21,396	23,536	2,140	1,327
OTHER EXPENSES					
Access Tags	32,442	36,250	34,991	(1,260)	% Change 2,549
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	3,172,972	3,457,495	3,191,664	(265,831)	0.6% 18,692
RESERVE DEPOSITS					
Reserve Deposits	610,000	610,000	750,000	140,000	23.0% 140,000
Capital Improvement	0	0	0	0	0
Legal/Consulting	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL RESERVE DEPOSITS	610,000	610,000	750,000	140,000	140,000
TOTAL EXPENSES / DEPOSITS	3,782,972	4,067,495	3,941,664	(125,831)	4.2% 158,692
TOTAL SURPLUS/(SHORTFALL)	(0)	135,302	(0)	(135,303)	(0)
Unit Breakdown as of 9/16/2015					
Total Platted Lots:	2487				
Total Lots Sold:	2464				
Minus NAOS/Re-plats:	73				
Billable Owner Lots/Homes:	2,391				
Billable Developer Lots:	23				
TOTAL BILLABLE LOTS/HOMES:	2,414				
		HISTORICAL ASSESSMENTS			
		YEAR	MO. ASSESS	\$ INC/DEC	% INC/DEC
		2008	\$72.00	\$12.00	20.00%
		2009	\$86.40	\$14.40	20.00%
		2010	\$89.00	\$2.60	3.01%
		2011	\$96.00	\$7.00	7.87%
		2012	\$103.70	\$7.70	8.02%
		2013	\$105.77	\$2.07	2.00%
		2014	\$108.00	\$2.23	2.11%
		2015	\$112.86	\$4.86	4.50%
		2016	\$117.88	\$5.02	4.45%
Trail Donations Through 8/31/15	0	17,015	0	(17,015)	0



El Niño & “The Blob”

By: *Bruce Spilka*
Operations Coordinator

El Niño is associated with a warming of sea surface temperatures in the tropical regions of the Pacific Ocean primarily to the west of South America. When ocean water temperatures in this region are warmer than normal, it impacts weather patterns around the world especially during the late fall and winter. As we head into winter, El Niño 2015/2016 could rival the strongest events on record according to NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration) and will likely peak as one of the top two strongest events since 1950 according to Meteorologist Dr. Gillham, PhD from the Weather Network.

A unique feature of the upcoming winter compared to other strong El Niño winters of the past is the expected per-

sistence of the warmer-than-normal ocean-water temperatures south of Alaska. Some have referred to this feature as “the blob” and it has been a key contributor to the dominant weather pattern across North America for the past two years. This pattern has been associated with extended periods of warm and dry weather in the West and two of the coldest winters in recent memory in the Great Lakes and Northeast.

Arizona is primed for a wet and cloudy winter in 2016 like it was back in 1997-1998 when the last big El Niño hit the region. The State experienced another strong El Niño event in 1983. Phoenix and most of Arizona will tap the super El Niño off the active Southern jet stream this winter. We expect above average rainfall and above average snowfall in the Mountains. Our year to date rain fall totals from January 1, 2015 – October 31, 2015 at the HOA monitored weather stations are:

Saguaro Forest Cintarosa Ranch Station	- 11.61”
Sunset Canyon Station	- 11.64”
Rose Quartz Station	- 10.37”
Cochise Geronimo Station	- 10.95”

David Henz, Meteorologist with the Maricopa County Flood Control District presented the following statements at the September 10, 2015 FCD Annual Meeting.

- A moderate/strong El Niño is currently established across the Equatorial Pacific. Forecast to strengthen and last into 2016. May rival 1982 & 1997 events.
- History suggests we could see upwards of 140% - 180% of normal rainfall during the AZ cold season (averaged across 267 alert rain gauges).
- El Niño has no effect on individual storms or strength of passing cold fronts. Think in terms of “frequency” of passing weather systems.

Although Desert Mountain survived the 2015 monsoons unscathed, proper planning for completing numerous rip rap projects will pay dividends for the upcoming El Niño. Although we have “dug out” and made progress from the August 19, 2014 rain event, additional inspections will be performed to identify other areas requiring erosion repair. The HOA is planning for a wetter winter with additional erosion projects to be scheduled and completed in 2016. ■

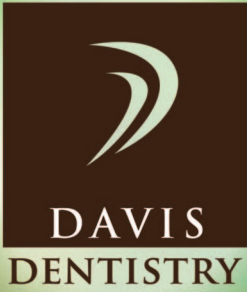
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feet from the curb as this 8 foot access area is HOA easement property. The sign will be removed. Please also be aware that Desert Mountain is a Community that adheres to Dark Sky compliance and any illumination of a For Sale sign is strictly prohibited. If you

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Planning Ahead

By: *Bill Fultz,*
Director of Security

The Community is always seeking qualified candidates to serve as Master Board Directors, on Village Boards, and on multiple committees. “Safety and

Access Committee” is one such committee. Did you know that at one time Desert Mountain had a “Blue Ribbon Safety Committee”? If you want to be a part of keeping our Community safe consider volunteering for this committee.

Little known facts from Security:

- Desert Mountain population - 6,000+
- Desert Mountain geographically makes up 7.5% of the city of Scottsdale
- Protected Assets - \$4.1 Billion
- Transient arrival population is - 1.2 Million
- Community perimeter - 19 Miles Long
- Do Not Admit active list - 488
- Vehicles managed electronically - 15,600+

Desert Mountain Security continues to evolve with the Community. While being mindful of the operational costs to the Community, emphasis is being placed on improvements and expanded services. Thus, over the past three years improvements in technology have been made which in the long term will keep operating costs down. Gone are the days of the paper list of guests, hand written log sheets and ill equipped staff. Compared to operations in the 20th century, today our team members are pre-screened to a higher level, better educated and have the desired experience and skill sets required for development of a professional 21st Century Security Team. Desert Mountain is not what you would consider a “typical” community operation. It is a blend of Community, Resort, and Corporate operation, serving a “Globally Diversified” Client. Our Residents arrive at Desert Mountain from all “50 states and 11 countries”. We interact with corporate risk management and protective details from both private and government sectors.

As we look at the “Road Ahead”, future committee and board members will need to discuss topics such as;

- Gate Houses: improved or new Gate Houses at both the Main Gate and DHE Gate locations. The Main Gate has been in use since 1986 and operations and use of technology is rapidly outgrowing both locations.

- Expanded Services: Vetting of service and trades allowed in the community.
- Pedestrian & Bicycle Access Control: as traffic continues to grow how do we validate these arrivals to the community?
- Level of interaction and support with corporate risk and loss management of our owners both at home and with their current and former employers and with Desert Mountain Club.
- Improved site specific training and continuing education for our Desert Mountain Team.
- Emergency preparedness for Security

Holidays and Home Security

As we travel through the 2015 Holidays, please take a common sense approach to keeping your home safe when you are away. Let us know when you are out of town so we can place your home on our “Watch List” even if it is only for a few days or a weekend. Keep your emergency contact list, guest and service providers up to date with our office.

Recently one of our service providers within the community became a victim as well. The thieves stole keys to 35 homes located in 22 villages at Desert Mountain. If your home was one of these you have already been notified by both the service provider and our security team. We are taking extra countermeasures over the holiday season to ensure Desert Mountain remains as secure as possible. As always, community safety is a team effort and we need your assistance. If you see something that looks suspicious, please alert the Main Gate at (480) 635-5630 and our patrol will investigate.

Some of you may recall a similar situation in 2012. Our Security Team was alerted to suspicious activity and as a result two suspects were caught on property and arrested by Scottsdale Police.

Security Notes - Drones

Our security team has received calls about “Unmanned Aircraft Systems” aka: “Drones” flying within the community. Currently there is no regulation on these devices. If you observe one flying around your home in a bothersome manner, you may contact the Security Main Gate at (480) 635-5630 and Patrol will investigate and attempt to locate the operator.

We are aware of real estate companies, roofing companies and construction companies using these devices within the community. ■

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By: Jacob Marshall, Village & Finance Manager

Master Association Finance:

The Desert Mountain Master Association and all Villages continue to operate as expected this year. The Master Association reflected a slight loss in October of (\$16,063.90). As mentioned by Ryan Larson, the Master Association's Treasurer, year to date that figure is \$130,953.39. Costs associat-

ed with cleanup from the August and September 2014 storms are finally complete as of October 30, 2015. Culvert Cleaning will be about \$140K over budget for 2015 as a result of these storms. In addition to the erosion backfill along roadways, major rip rap projects have been completed all over Desert Mountain in several Villages. Rip rap projects along roadways will now consist of an annual inspection, prioritized for safety, and put out to bid for remediation every year. All in all, the Desert Mountain Master Association has operated soundly as budgeted.

Owner Services Business - Handyman and Home Caretaking Services:

The Owner Services Business (OSB) continues to operate and provide excellent service to Desert Mountain residents. One of those services is the Light Handyman aspect. Your Handyman, Rick Fields, has been with Desert Mountain over two years. He is extremely meticulous and always tries to get the job done right the first time.

Another aspect of this business is Home Caretaking available while you are away from Desert Mountain. Scott McVay, the OSB's Home Caretaker, was extremely busy this past sum-

mer as business reached new heights. For example, in August of 2014 we had 31 active clients and a total of 63 home checks. In August of 2015, our busiest month for Home Caretaking, we had 41 clients and 103 total checks. That's a 32% increase of Home Caretaking clients and a 63% increase in the total amount of checks completed year over year. The piece of mind that this service delivers for Desert Mountain owners is instrumental to its growing success.

Of course, like many businesses, the Home Caretaking service can be extremely cyclical. The demand is highest in the summer and nearly nonexistent in the winter. Fortunately, the cycle of the Handyman side of the OSB is opposite of Home Caretaking. So if you return to your home in the fall and need any minor Light Handyman work completed, please call your HOA first and give us the opportunity to earn your business. You have two trusted, experienced, dependable and dedicated HOA employees for all of your Home Caretaking or Light Handyman needs. Call 480-635-5610 to schedule a FREE consultation to see what services we can provide for you and your home in Desert Mountain.

E-Statements:

Was your semi-annual HOA statement lost in the mail this month? Or were you traveling and inadvertently threw it away with all the rest of the junk mail? Would you rather receive these statements via email? CCMC and your Desert Mountain HOA offer this in the form of e-Statements. With Desert Mountain owners' busy travel schedules, this is an excellent alternative to receiving your Desert Mountain HOA statement through USPS mail. Not only is it more convenient, it is far more efficient, environmentally friendly, and saves the Association money. There were 211 owners signed up for this feature for the July 1, 2015 HOA statement mailing, an increase of 52% from July 2014. If you would like to sign up, simply go to the website as indicated in the ad below. All you need is your HOA account number and property address number. Please call us at 480-635-5600 if you need assistance with this information. ■

Congratulations

Congratulations to Jake Marshall who has recently completed his course work through the Arizona Association of Community Managers (AACM) and has earned his Certified Arizona Association Manager (CAAM) certification!

Requirements include course work in Finance, Insurance, Law, Ethics and Basics of Association Management. CCMC is proud to provide educational opportunities to its employees in order for them to be able to grow within the industry. Congratulations, Jake, on a job well done! —Kevin Pollock, Community Manager



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By: **Jacob Marshall**
Village & Finance Manager

All village budgets are complete. You should have received the budget letter in the mail during November. Additionally, all budgets are on the website at www.desertmthoa.com. The Master Board presented the Master Association budget and all unincorporated Village budgets at their board meeting on Monday, September 28th, 2015.

Looking ahead into 2016, the HOA has several road and painting projects to complete.

Roadwork:

In 2016 there are a total of 26 separate road projects. Six, of which are Master Association projects, and 20 of which are in villages. Most of the road projects consist of crack fill, patching and seal coats. The projected expense of all roadwork in 2016 is expected to approach \$2M. With the abundance of road projects, this work is anticipated to be on-going from the spring to the fall. More information will be provided in the spring 2016 edition of the DMC.

Rip-Rap - Erosion Solutions:

As was the case last year, all villages will



be reviewed and proposals for rip-rap in areas of need will be presented to their respective boards for approval in the spring. The first priority will always be along roadways to protect the integrity of the roads and walkways for the safety of residents.

Village Monument Entry & Retaining Wall Painting:

Nearly all of the monument entries and common area retaining walls are due for repainting in 2016. You will notice some of these projects starting immediately. This project will most likely last all year.

Wireless Village Gate System:

Mountain Skyline, Sonoran Cottages, Sonoran Enclave, Sonoran Ridge, Desert Hills and Lookout Ridge continue to be offline while the Sonoran Clubhouse renovation is taking place. The renovation of the clubhouse required the HOA to remove their antenna off the roof which took these Villages offline. The Master Board is working as expeditiously, yet carefully, as possible to find a solution that will bring these Village gates back online as soon as possible. We thank everyone for the continued support and patience through this exhaustive process.

Bringing Your Village together!

At their own cost, several Villages within Desert Mountain have regular parties or block parties with their neighbors. It usually starts with a few friends or couples who spread the word and plan it together. If you would like to do this, we encourage you to contact our office for assistance with a posting on your mailbox bulletin board and a blast email to the Village. ■

GateAccess.net

Returning this Fall? Be sure to sign up for Gateaccess.net! With the installation of the new security system at the Main and Village gates we are now able to offer you the ability to maintain your own guest access list. If you would like to review who is on your current guest list or update your access list, our Gate Access Control system will allow you to do that via the web. Not only will you be able to control access with a few strokes of a computer keyboard, you may also download the free app from the iTunes store and manage your account utilizing your Smartphone!

Simply contact Donna Hardin at the HOA Office by calling 480-635-5602 or email dhardin@desertmthoa.com and she can assist you in setting up web access to your personal account. Donna will need to know your home phone number, email address and full name. If you have a property management company and would like them to make Gate Access changes to your account, please contact Donna to receive the appropriate form (right). Thank you. ■

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Your Chance to Choose Your Homeowners Board Members!

By: *Karyn Grant, Board of Directors, DMMA, Chair, Election Committee*

We need your vote! The annual election process ensures that you have the opportunity to elect new Board of Director Members to represent your interests as Desert Mountain homeowners. This year the Desert Mountain Master Association's Annual Meeting is January 25, 2016. Your Board members are elected for three-year terms with a two-term limit, ensuring that there are always new Board Members with fresh perspectives joining the HOA Governance Process at the Board level. Please read the bios of those volunteering their time for this important leadership role in our community and vote for those you believe best represent the direction in which you would like to see our Homeowners Association grow. New this year are *Meet the Candidates* videos. These will give you an opportunity to hear from each candidate at the time and place of your choosing. Please visit the HOA website at www.desertmthoa.com to see these videos beginning December 15. These will replace the Meet the Candidates session held in past years that was difficult for many homeowners to attend. We are also planning to use online voting for the 2017 election so stay tuned as we make full use of current technology.

This year there are three openings on the Desert Mountain Master Association Board. Ray Herzog is retiring after two very successful terms, leading the Design Review Committee in improving processes and customer service and in reviewing over 700 new home and renovation plans! Two incumbent Board members have chosen to run again. Bob Engelman has been on the DMMA Board for the past three years and serves as Chair of the Safety and Access Committee. His banking career gives him a strong background in finance and strategic planning, an essential component of a successful Board. Danny Fullerton was appointed to fill a Board vacancy in early 2015 and is now running for his first full term. Danny's career in the insurance industry has given him a breadth of experience in all aspects of running a successful organization.

Our Election Committee is charged with ensuring that all volunteer candidates are qualified and able to fulfill the responsibilities required of your Master Association Board of Directors. We are delighted with the four strong candidates running for these three positions. Please see their bios on pages 20 and 21, and be sure to complete and return the Absentee Ballot that was mailed to you in your annual meeting notice packet earlier this month. Your vote is very important to ensure that the candidates represent YOUR viewpoint as we work at the Board level to make decisions affecting all our property here at Desert Mountain.

We encourage you to attend the Annual Meeting on January 25, 2016 to hear the announcement of the new Master Association Board of Directors that you have chosen to represent your interests in the governance of our exceptional Desert Mountain community.

Should you have any questions about the process or have not received an Annual Meeting Packet please contact Donna Hardin at dhardin@desertmthoa.com or 480-635-5602.

We look forward to seeing you at the Annual Meeting! More information about the meeting and reception following will be available soon.

On behalf of my fellow Board members, we wish you a Happy and Healthy New Year! ■



Dinesh Kakwani

Dinesh Kakwani ("Dinesh") joined Desert Mountain in 2005 and is currently a full time resident in the Cochise Ridge village. Dinesh is a Principal in the Phoenix office of Ernst & Young LLP ("EY"). At EY, Dinesh focuses on serving Fortune 500 multinational clients, many of which are located in the Valley. He is a specialist in the areas of international US tax as well as in auditing tax aspects of publicly traded companies' financial statements. Dinesh has over 18 years of professional experience both in "Big 4" public accounting firms and in the insurance industry where Dinesh had the opportunity to assist AIG during its government bailout. Dinesh is an active speaker at Arizona State University as well as at internal/external EY training events. He is an IRS Enrolled Agent.

Dinesh received his Executive MBA at New York University in January 2014 and his Bachelor of Business Administration with high honors in Accounting from Hofstra University in 1997. Previously, Dinesh has served as a Board of Trustee for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Monmouth and Middlesex Counties in New Jersey. Dinesh enjoys golf (though not very good at it) and is a budding wine connoisseur.

Dinesh believes there is no better place to live on earth than Desert Mountain and is interested in giving back to the community in any way needed. He also believes his financial acumen will be an asset to the community.



Danny Fullerton

Danny Fullerton joined Desert Mountain in 2004. He and his wife, Charlene, completed their home in Apache Peak in 2007. They chose to make Desert Mountain their retirement home because of the diverse amenities of our community and the exceptional quality of life it offers.

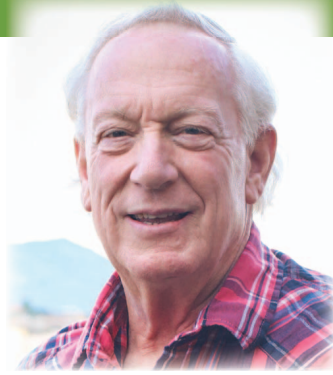
Danny has served on the DMMA board since early 2015, filling a vacated position. "I believe a key responsibility of the DMMA board is to protect and enhance the value of our owner's investments. That includes both the value of their real estate as well as the value returned for the financial resources they entrust to the association every year."

Danny's career was in the insurance industry. This took him to seven different states from coast to coast. He has been involved in various disciplines from information technology to marketing to running multi-million dollar operations. "I have had the opportunity to see so many communities across this country. In my opinion, none offer a better lifestyle than Desert Mountain."

Danny and Charlene maintain a home in Columbus Ohio where they are members of Scioto Country Club, one of the top 100 courses in America. Danny served for several years on the board of the Columbus Cancer Clinic which served the needs of local cancer patients who may otherwise not be able to access needed care. He led the effort to combine the clinic with Life Care Alliance, thus ensuring its long term viability.

Danny is a graduate of the University of Washington with a B.S. in mathematics. He also holds the Chartered Property and Casualty Underwriter designation (CPCU).

"The DMMA board plays a critical role in our community. It would be my pleasure to continue to serve on the board and contribute to ensuring that Desert Mountain continues to be recognized for the exceptional community that it has become."



Bob Engelman

Bob Engelman and his wife, Lynn Van Buren, have lived in Desert Mountain for over 16 years. Two of their children were raised here. Bob has been a member of the DMMA board since 2013 and currently serves as Chair of its Safety and Access Committee. Bob is also a member of the Club's Finance committee and a past member of its Golf committee.

Bob's professional career was in finance, having spent 35 years as a banker, primarily in the Chicago area. Since retiring in 1999, he has served on various public and private company boards as well numerous not-for-profit boards. In all cases, Bob has focused on building long term, sustainable value for all the stakeholders of the organizations with which he was affiliated. Ensuring that long term objectives are identified, overseeing the development of plans to achieve those objectives, and monitoring their implementation lie at the heart of his governance philosophy.

There are approximately \$3 billion of private home values in our community. The DMMA plays a critical role in protecting and enhancing these values. As a board we not only oversee the current security, landscaping and infrastructure of our community (roads, bridges, culverts, gates, trails, etc.), but we must also plan for their long term viability. My finance, strategic planning and corporate governance experiences all seem to mesh when it comes to discharging my responsibilities as a member of the DMMA board. I have been pleased to serve these last three years and look forward to the opportunity to continue to provide the leadership needed to keep Desert Mountain "a very special place."



Mike Dings

Mike and his wife Ann joined Desert Mountain in January 2011 and purchased their home in Apache Peak in March 2011. His entire family has been coming to the Sonoran Desert since 2000 spending two weeks a year at the Rancho de Los Caballeros in Wickenburg, AZ. They fell in love with the beauty of the desert and the perfect climate and made it their goal to retire here. Presently, Mike and Ann spend approximately seven months a year at Desert Mountain.

Mike retired from Ernst & Young LLP in December 2014 after 33 years with the Firm. Mike was an International Tax Partner and spent his entire career serving large, complex multi-national companies across Upstate New York (Buffalo, NY; Rochester, NY; and Syracuse, NY) and in Pittsburgh, PA. During his career, Mike was the Managing Partner of the Upstate New York audit, tax and advisory practice and the Tax Leader of Upstate New York, Pittsburgh, PA and Charleston, WV.

Current board affiliations include Madden School of Business at LeMoyne College and the Accounting Advisory Board at LeMoyne College. Previous affiliations include the Buffalo/Niagara Partnership (equivalent of the Chamber of Commerce); Buffalo/Niagara Enterprise (equivalent of the economic development council); Canisius College Accounting Advisory Board and Treasurer of the Museum of Science and Technology. Mike and Ann are also members at Wanakah Country Club in Hamburg, NY.

"Ann and I fell in love with Desert Mountain at first sight. The work the DMMA does makes that lasting first impression. I would love to get involved helping DMMA, in collaboration with the Desert Mountain Board, continue that lasting first impression...enjoying the beauty and comfort of Desert Mountain."

EXPO! Raised \$95,000 for Scholarships

By: Carol Parry

The Desert Mountain Community Foundation EXPO! held on October 23rd, was a great success again—raising \$95,000 (after expenses) for the DMCF Scholarship Fund for Desert Mountain employees and their families. Highlights from The EXPO! 2015 include:

- 350 Desert Mountain members attended EXPO!
- 43 Exhibitors participated in EXPO! and supported the DMCF providing members with information about goods and services, ranging from health and travel to real estate services
- 26 fabulous raffle prizes were awarded and the raffle was completely sold out. The top prize of free golf carts for a year went to Kelley Reese. Congratulations to all!
- 2 sets of golf clubs, with fittings, were awarded as drawing prizes to Jan Evenson and Warren Kettlewell
- 12 DMCF Scholars acted as EXPO! guides, greeting members and helping with the event
- A wonderful wine tasting was enjoyed by many members

The DMCF would like to thank all of the members who attended as well as those that purchased raffle tickets. EXPO! is growing every year, with more and more exhibitors wanting to participate. Of course, the event could never have happened without the wonderful support of the Desert Mountain Club and DMMA staff.

In addition, to honor the 2015 DMCF Scholars, a luncheon was held at Apache on October 24th with the DMCF Board and Keli Greenberg. Each scholar told their own story and each one was so grateful for the help the Scholarship Fund has been able to give them to further their education. One of the scholars, Maria Guadalupe Valle Carrera, daughter of a Desert Mountain employee, shared this with all of us:

“Thank you very much for your donation. I am a determined student, pursuing her dream to become a Nurse Practitioner. Your donation to me means much more than just money. It represents the trust you have put in my hands, to make the most of



Sheila and Robert Seaton and DMCF Scholars



Scholar Gaby Keller with DM employee Francine Keller, Club Board Member Chuck Harrison and DM Member Matt Melsheimer



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that money, and to truly go after my goals, without having a monetary obstacle, and succeed in every possible way. Believe me that I have gotten to this point in my life pushing through hardships, and venturing through open doors. Each experience has helped me grow into the woman I am today, beginning a new chapter in her life. I am glad that you will be a part of this new adventure, and not only watch me succeed, but also be a part of it.”

Now you can help, too. Please go to www.desertmountainfoundation.org and make a gift to the DMCF Scholarship Fund to support our employees and their families. ■



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Arizona Musicfest Celebrates 25 Years with Star-Studded Concerts

North Scottsdale venues play host to classical sensation Joshua Bell, jazz legend Al Jarreau, and wide variety of concerts through annual Festival

By: Betty Obermeyer

Stars of classical music, Broadway, jazz and more will grace stages at Arizona Musicfest this winter. The 2016 Festival celebrates 25 years of Arizona Musicfest providing exceptional performances to the North Scottsdale, Carefree and Cave Creek community.

Over six weeks and 17 concerts, attendees at this year's festival will have the opportunity to catch artists of international caliber performing music as varied as New Big Band style jazz, choral masterworks, and the disco hits of the Bee Gees. Whether you're a longtime fan or new to what the festival has to offer, this season's concerts will thrill and surprise you.

Many Desert Mountain residents already know the charm of Arizona Musicfest, which presents concerts in North Phoenix and North Scottsdale, most venues a short drive from your front door. The concert series has proven popular both for its up-close experience of big-name performers in intimate venues, and the educational programming that the nonprofit provides to aspiring young musicians.

"Arizona Musicfest combines the best of both worlds for Desert Mountain residents," said executive director Allan Naplan. "Musicfest brings world-class musicians to perform—practically in your backyard."

Headlining this year's festival is violin superstar Joshua Bell, making his Arizona Musicfest debut. One of the most celebrated and in-demand artists of the classical music scene, Bell performs

world-wide and has recorded over 40 classical albums, making him one of the most popular violinists of the 21st century. Bell will appear in performance with the Arizona Musicfest Orchestra, which features players from the New York Philharmonic, the Chicago Symphony, the Philadelphia Orchestra and more, all lead by Maestro Robert Moody.

Another highlight of the Arizona Musicfest lineup is seven-time GRAMMY winning jazz singer, Al Jarreau, known for his popular hits "We're In This Love Together" and the Theme from "Moonlighting." Jarreau will be performing his memorable favorites, along with selections from his newest release.

For a more classic sound, audiences can enjoy the song stylings of Tony DeSare. Performing the music of Frank Sinatra and more, DeSare combines old-school class and a cutting edge take on the American Songbook. His honey-toned sound is a perfect fit whether performing with symphony orchestras or performing solo at Carnegie Hall.

Other Festival highlights include Broadway diva Faith Prince; the unmatched New Orleans jazz band Dukes of Dixieland; blue grass sensation, Run Boy Run, guitar sensation Esteban, and the high-energy disco extravaganza of the Australian Bee Gees.

Arizona Musicfest concerts run from Jan. 29 – March 11, 2016. More information on concert programs, venues and tickets is available at www.azmusicfest.org or by calling 480-840-0457. ■

By: Nicole Sherbert, Scottsdale Water

Let's face it, new year's resolutions can be hard to keep. We at Scottsdale Water can't necessarily help you with your diet and exercise plan (although we hear a healthy diet should include at least 8 glasses a day of clean, delicious Scottsdale Water), but we can suggest two simple things you can do to help keep that resolution to save money in 2016.

1. Get reimbursed for a new, top-of-the-line irrigation controller

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Smart irrigation controllers use weather information and site conditions to determine how much water to apply and when to irrigate. Sensor type varies by model, but once installed and programmed correctly, smart controllers usually require little additional monitoring, will irrigate the landscape at peak efficiency and at appropriate times, and, on average, save up to 25 percent more water than traditional irrigation controllers.

The Scottsdale Water rebate is priced to cover the actual cost of a controller and is intended to encourage a permanent reduction in outdoor water use.

2. Schedule a free irrigation audit. Once you have that new irrigation controller set up, why not have Scottsdale Water's Horticulturist give your landscape a free irrigation audit?

During a Scottsdale Water free outdoor home water audit, our certified irrigation auditor will give the homeowner one-on-one instruction on checking for leaks, making irrigation repairs and inspecting the sprinkler system for concerns such as high pressure, clogged nozzles and poor arc alignment. He will also answer plant questions and guide you on how to program your irrigation controller to match your plants' water needs.

For rebate information and applications and to request a home water audit, visit ScottsdaleAZ.gov/Water or call 480-312-5650. Happy New Year from Scottsdale Water! ■

CARE Havana Night

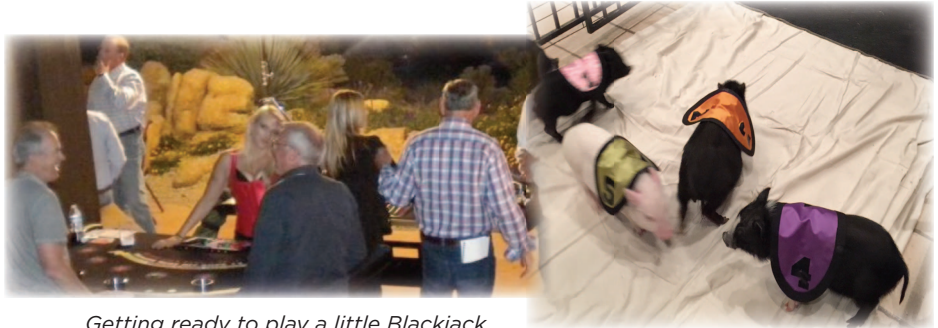
... Oh, Whatta Night!

By: *Jim Morrissey*

Havana Night impressively raised \$18,000 on Thursday, November 12th, as nearly 300 Dos Amigos attendees enjoyed a Stag Night unlike any other. From Pig Races, to Gaming Tables, to Dream Dealers, to 19 remarkable Raffle Prizes, to Spectacular Food, Cigars, Rum and Camaraderie, this quote could have pretty much been universally delivered.

- *“This is the best Dos Amigos Night ever. Thank whoever did all the arrangements. I’m glad our Club does this and I’m pleased to support CARE this way.”*

We agree!



Getting ready to play a little Blackjack



Gathering for Post Time!



Delicious Cuban Cuisine was enjoyed by all



Hamlet is about to beat Miss Piggy, Kevin Bacon, and Arnold Schwarzenhoger....by a snout!!

The Raffle Winners!

Member	Prize
Dave Stewart	Dinner for 12
Bill Couch	SWAT Shooting
Darryl Iwai	Scottsdale Performing Arts
Paul Grillo	New Clubs
David Balak	Schwab Flags
Michael Hanna	Schwab Flags and Titos
Jeff Bloom	Cigars and Humidor
Bill Troan	Titos
Mike Matthews	Titos
Brian Thorsen	Titos
Gunner Andersson	Callaway
John Daily	D.C. Experience
Ralph Whitley	D'Backs
Paul Grillo	Musicfest
Lawrence Tombari	Reds
John Gevlin	Cooking Class and Spirits

Please Pick Up All

Prizes from

Christophe Hermine



CARE 2016 is right around the corner. Pre-Reserve now...

By popular demand, the three formats from the CARE golf event of last March return in 2016. Plus, the Spring Fling not to be missed. Surprises await!

- “Richest Day In Golf” returns, but this time Chiricahua will be set up

as an 18-Hole Par Three Course with more than a \$Million in Available Prizes.

Or, choose between:

- “Go Geronimo!” or
- “Cochise Like Never Before”

The dates are Monday, March 7 for Golf/Dinner/Auctions and Tuesday, March 8 for the Spring Fling. If you want to assure yourself a slot, become a CARE STAR now or be quick-to-respond-to The 2016 Invitation, coming in January.



Why CARE is so important to you...

Cancer touches virtually every Desert Mountain property owner because, today one-third of all Americans die of complications from this nefarious disease. 33%!!! 19 years ago, 3 brave Desert Mountain cancer survivors decided to do something about this and started CARE, raising over \$5 million for cancer research since then. Be assured that CARE dollars are unique ... for two reasons.

- First, because of the all-volunteer nature of CARE, there are zero administrative payroll expenses -- so the efficiency of each dollar you donate is incredibly leveraged versus other ways of donating.
- Second, the Volunteer Leadership of CARE is drawn from the magical pool of talented Desert Mountain men and women whose amazing personal and professional experiences yield very smart decisions. We're demanding huge bang for CARE bucks by directing that our dollars

be treated like seed investment dollars in supporting early-stage research by the promising young clinician-scientists at Mayo Clinic Arizona and HonorHealth (the new corporate name of Scottsdale Healthcare).

The result is breakthrough progress that may help you and your family members. For example, right now, CARE dollars are energizing what most consider the current cutting edge of cancer research, Personalized Medicine. To explain, not all tumors share the same molecular characteristics and, therefore, do not respond to treatment in the same way even though they come from the same tissue. By applying new advances in molecular biology and genomics, molecular-level diagnoses can be made and tumor-to-tumor targeted-therapy can result. From breast cancer, to prostate cancer, to all cancers. We understand that these new ideas will go through stringent trial and error protocol and not all will eventually succeed – but those that do will change the world for cancer patients and their families! And that, friends, is why CARE is so important to you.

Your CARE STAR Opportunity awaits...

Recently you received in the US Mail, a letter explaining all the benefits you'll receive as a 2015/2016 donor to CARE.

If you have misplaced it or want to learn more, please email Karyn Grant (kpgrant@me.com) or Wayne Mailloux (waynemail-

loux@me.com) or go to CAREDM.org and click on Become a CARE STAR! Together We Win. ■

Foothills Caring Corps 12th Annual Taste of the Foothills Celebration



Desert Mountain residents are invited to support the Foothills Caring Corps at the 12th Annual Taste of the Foothills Celebration and Cash & Caring Raffle.

This non-profit event is one of the non-profit organization's two fundraisers of the year and will take place from 5-9 p.m., Thursday, March 31, at el Pedregal, 34505 N. Scottsdale Road, in Scottsdale.

Admission is \$40 per person without a raffle ticket, or attendees can receive free admission for two adults, with the purchase of a Cash & Caring raffle ticket for \$100.

The Taste of the Foothills and Cash & Caring Raffle ensures that the Caring Corps can continue its mission to promote older adults' independence. These vital services include mobile meals, medical

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transportation, wheelchair accessible van transportation, caregiver relief, Health Advocacy, grocery shopping trips, social opportunities, a medical equipment loan closet, friendly visits, friendly pet visits and handyman assistance.

This year's event includes live music from AFFINITY, and live and silent auction items including several unique experiences such as "Fighter Pilot for a Day".

For tickets or information, call Foothills Caring Corps at 480-488-1105 or visit www.foothillscaring-corps.com. ■



All of the events below take place at Desert Foothills Library, which is located at 38443 North Schoolhouse Road in Cave Creek, and are free, except where noted. For more information on these and other library programs, please contact David Court or Dereth DeHaan at 480-488-2286 or log on to www.desertfoothillslibrary.org.

**EFT Community Healing Circle
December 2 and 16, 1 – 2 p.m.
(1st and 3rd Wednesdays)**

Experiencing physical pain? Often stressed and need an emotional lift? Join us for a rejuvenating EFT (Emotional Freedom Technique) experience, usually held 1st and 3rd Wednesdays. From just one hour of EFT, discover greater health and more joy and fulfillment in your life. Using a light, enjoyable tapping process, you'll be surprised at how many emotional or physical issues EFT can eliminate. Christine Regan Lake has been an EFT practitioner for over 7 years. Registration: Contact instructor: 914-523-5010 or cregan@redlake.tv. Cost: \$17 cash only, pay to instructor at each class.

**Duet: Musicfest at the Desert Foothills Library
Wednesday, December 3, 7 p.m.**

The Library hosts the 5th performance of Duet - Musicfest at the Desert Foothills Library with maestro Robert Moody and a variety of musicians. There will be Prosecco, coffee and dessert with the participants following the performance. The fee of \$30 for this event benefits the Library and AZMusicfest, both non-profit organizations. Fee is due when RSVPing in advance: 480-488-2286.

**Music @ the Movies:
White Christmas
December 3, 2 p.m. (1st Thursdays)**

This Christmas classic starring Bing Crosby takes place in a Vermont lodge where it is almost always, a "White Christmas." 121 min. (G) Join us for a celebration of music in movies! Time will vary based on film length. Hosted by music enthusiasts Fran Rosenthal and Annis Scott. Check our website www.dfla.org/calendar for a complete listing. No registration.

Writers Connection: Getting Past Your Social Media Fears So You Can Sell More Books!

December 4, 1 - 3 p.m. (1st Fridays)
Raleigh Pinskey, best-selling author, social media consultant, speaker,

public relations expert, and founder of the Raleigh Group PR, will talk tricks and tips of the trade on how authors can increase their market, enhance their author brand, up their sales and broaden their audience by using Twitter, Hashtags, YouTube, Vimeo, Vine, Pinterest and Instagram For Business to SELL MORE BOOKS. Raleigh is the author of Avon/Harper Collins' bestselling "101 Ways to Promote Yourself," Citadel/Kensington's "The Zen of Hype," and "You Can Hype Anything." She will offer her newest books, "101 Ways to Get on TV, Radio and the Internet in the Digital Age" and "101 Ways to Write Results Producing Media Releases in the Digital Age" for sale after the workshop (\$20 each). Advance registration required: 480-488-2286.

**6th Annual Desert Foothills Library Craft and Bake Sale
Saturday, December 5, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.**

Our annual library fundraiser! Do your holiday shopping, with delicious goodies and unique craft items. Have some treats and coffee, share the holiday spirit, and feel good knowing that all benefits the Library!



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- Sept. 1 - American Modernism
- Sept. 18 - Apache Art
- Oct. 6 - Looking at Art
- Oct. 16 - Rock Art
- Nov. 3 - Navajo Art
- Nov. 20 - No event

- Dec. 1 - Hudson River School
- Dec. 18 - Zuni Art & Culture
- Jan. 5 - Western Spirit Museum
- Jan. 15 - On the Road...Jacob Lawrence
- Feb. 2 - Desert Cabelleros Museum
- Feb. 19 - Hairy Who & the Imagists

- March 1 - Contemporary Arts Salon
- March 18 - The Ides of March
- April 5 - Women... Changed the World
- April 15 - Hohokam/O'odham Art
- May 3 - Wildlife Art
- May 20 - Latin American Art

Details at
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Journaling: Managing Stress during the Yuletide Season

December 8, 1 – 3 p.m.
(2nd Tuesdays)

Learn brief, effective, and easy writing techniques to help you as you navigate this busy time of year. Bring a journal or notebook and pen. No writing experience required. Mary Lee Simpson is a certified journal facilitator and has taught therapeutic writing for nearly 20 years. Register: 480-488-2286.

Stress Management with Guided Meditation: Free!

Tuesday, December 8, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

Overwhelmed yet? We will talk about some holiday stressors and how to deal with them – followed by a 25 minute guided meditation, where we lie on the floor with closed eyes and relax in the space just before sleep. Please bring a yoga mat or blanket to lie on, or you may sit on a chair for comfort. Instructor: Judith Zeiger. Registration Required: Contact Judith Zeiger 480-760-5645 or jazeiger@gmail.com

Coffee and Crime Panel Discussion Tuesday, December 15, 1-3pm

Celebrate the season and pick up the gift of a book – for a friend or for yourself! Enjoy coffee and a selection of gourmet treats, while authors Anne A. Wilson, Frederick Ramsay, and Eileen Brady, share their unique backgrounds and their craft – and award-winning author Donis Casey returns with her new Alafair Tucker Mystery. Anne Wilson has received rave reviews for her debut novel Hover: “Wilson’s experience as an active-duty U.S. Navy helicopter pilot brings a nuanced perspective to her thrilling debut.” Frederick Ramsay is a former Episcopal priest, whose latest Ike Schwartz mystery is “thoroughly entertaining” (Publisher Weekly). Eileen Brady is a veterinarian whose mysteries are capturing 5 stars on Amazon and Goodreads. Presented in partnership with The Poisoned Pen. Register: 480-488-2286, free.



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2016 Visual Arts Lecture Series

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- January 18th - Arizona’s Native Americans presented by Patricia Eckel, Docent, Heard Museum
- January 25th - Amazing Women Artists You’ve Never Heard of presented by Nicolette Maguire Bonnsetter
- February 1st - “The Next 50” Initiative presented by Bob Booker, Executive Director of AZ Commission on the Arts
- February 8th - Modern Art and the Women Who Made It presented by Dr. Pamela Stewart, Docent, Phoenix Art Museum, Historian and Sr. Lecturer
- February 15th - Transformation of Chinese Artists and Their Art presented by Gerry Jones, Architectural Designer and collector of Chinese Transitional Art
- February 22nd - Famous Artists and Their Gardens presented by Suzann Wilson, Artist
- February 29th -How Scottsdale Became an Art Destination presented by Kathy Duley, Grand Canyon Celebration of Art Coordinator

MindQuest Speaker Series

Series \$20 per lecture. Lectures start at 7:00 pm and end at approximately 8:30 pm. Tickets may be purchased online at www.azfcf.org or by calling

480.488.1090.

- January 19th - Lindbergh’s 1929 Aerial SW Survey presented by Erik Berg
- February 9th - Tales from the Firehouse presented by Rebecca Joy
- March 8th - Asteroids, Meteorites and Dangers to Life on Earth presented by Laurence Garvie, Ph.D Holland Gallery of Fine Art -
- November 30th - January 29th - Color All Ways exhibit by Nicolette Maguire Bonnsetter and Jossy Lownes. Art reception January 9th from 4:30-6:30 pm
- January 30th - February 26th - Let’s Talk Art exhibit by Ann Otis, Carla Cross, Hank Keneally, Mary La Rue Wells, Micky Jansen, Mady Schmidt, Kathie Fitzgerald, Cathy Ross, Margit Kagerer, Shelly Pedretti, Rita Flynn, Marty Gibson, Sue Lewis, Katalin Ehling, Judy Bruce, Nicolette Bonnsetter, Pamela Fingerhut, Pat Cain, Dottie Novak and Jean Piserchia. Art reception February 13th from 4:30-6:30pm
- February 27th - March 24th - Sudha Achar exhibit featuring multimedia paintings and contemporary jewelry. Art reception March 12th from 4:30-6:30 pm

Desert Foothills Theater presents Avenue Q: School Edition

Performed at the Cactus Shadows Fine Art Center January 8th, 9th, 15th and 16th at 7:00 pm and January 9th, 10th, 16th and 17th at 2:00 pm. For tickets visit www.dfttheater.org or call 480.488.1981.

Desert Foothills Theater presents The Children’s Hour

Performed at Cactus Shadows Fine Art Center February 19th, 20th, 26th 27th at 7:30 pm and February 21st, 27th and 28th at 2:00 pm. For tickets visit www.dfttheater.org or call 480.488.1981.

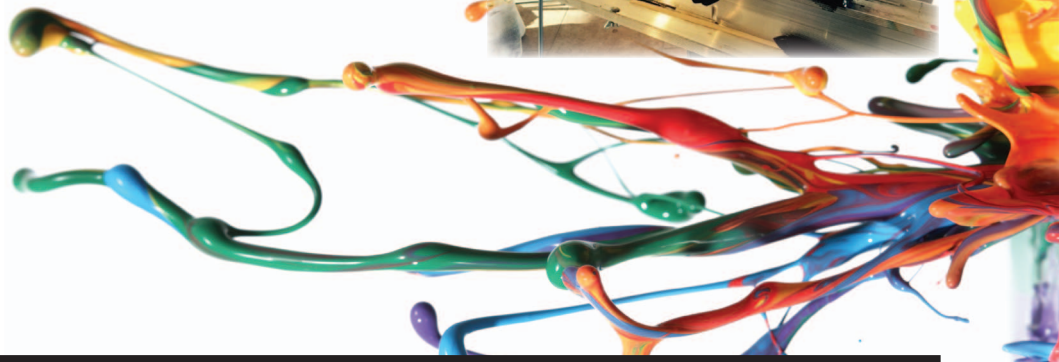
Additional offerings (more details to come) - Watercolor 101 and 102, Belly Dancing Workshop, Vino and Canvas, and much much more!

DESERT MOUNTAIN ART LEAGUE

By: *Ellen Rundle*

The Desert Mountain Art League is busy preparing for another great season of Art Workshops and Open Studios. Please check the website for classes coming up and keep watching for new classes to be scheduled. We have lost our studio venue in Carefree so all classes will be held at Cochise Geronimo until further notice. The Open Studios will be held every Thursday starting in January from 10:00 AM until 3:00 PM in the "mirror room" which is right inside the door to the ladies card room at Cochise Geronimo. Please visit the website and make sure that your name is on the mailing list for the Workshops or Open Studio or both. To sign up for the Open Studios, please contact Ellen Rundle at: ellenmax3@aol.com.

To sign up for workshops, visit the website @ desertmountainartleague.org. Susan Bowers will be collecting the fees for workshops. Her address is also on the website. We look forward to continuing the camaraderie of painting together and stimulating our imagination. Lunch breaks will be at the CG restaurant or you may bring your own lunch. ■



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Shemekia Copeland**Thursday, January 7, 7:30 pm**

With a voice that is alternately sultry, assertive, and roaring, Copeland's wide-open vision of contemporary blues, roots, and soul music showcases the evolution of a passionate artist with a modern musical and lyrical approach. Whether she's belting out a raucous blues-rocker, firing up a blistering soul-shouter, bringing the spirit to a gospel-fueled R&B rave-up, or digging deep down into a country-tinged ballad, Shemekia Copeland sounds like no one else. Tickets: \$32.00 - \$37.00.

Legends of Guitar featuring Anthony Mazella**Saturday, January 9 7:30 pm**

Description: Billboard magazine called guitarist Mazella as "the new generation of guitar hero" and Guitar One magazine voted him "one of the top ten guitarists in the country."

Marc Cohn**Thursday, January 14 7 pm & 9 pm**

GRAMMY-winning singer-songwriter Marc Cohn combines the precision of a brilliant tunesmith with the passion of a great soul man. Tickets: \$35.00 - \$45.00 (7 pm), \$35.00 - \$40.00 (9 pm).

Stradivarius: Origins and Legacy of the Greatest Violin Maker**Saturday, January 16 through June 5**

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Rachel Barton Pine presents The Playoffs!**Sunday, January 17 8 pm**

World-renowned concert violinist Rachel Barton Pine thrills audiences with her dazzling technique, lustrous tone, and emotional honesty. Tickets: \$40.00 - \$45.00. ■

The Musical Instrument Museum is located at 4725 E. Mayo Boulevard in Phoenix (corner of Tatum and Mayo Boulevards, just south of Loop 101). For additional events please visit www.mim.org or call (480) 478-6000.

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The Road to Success is Always Under Construction


By: Dana Bondon, Design Review

This has been an exciting year for Design Review. The Committee has performed over 370 reviews within 26 meetings. Managing his time two days a week in the Office, our Design Review Consultant, JT Elbracht has performed over 400 inspections/consultations! Over 211 Administrative Reviews (no Committee input) have been processed. It's apparent – we are busy! And as an Owner you are probably aware of the increase in construction activity as you may see many new homes/additions appearing on the Mountain. Currently, of the 2,413 parcels 1,725 are built out. Approximately 182 homes are in design/under construction. The Mountain is filling in! With that being said, all must realize that there is a definitive submittal process for any new home or external improvement proposed. Many technical aspects are reviewed to ensure that there is conformance to the Guidelines as each lot within Desert Mountain is unique. Many variables are taken into consideration when a review occurs. The ultimate goal of the Guidelines is “for the appearance and character of all Residences and/or Improvements to harmonize with and enhance their natural and manmade surroundings and not to dominate and/or contrast sharply with them” along with allowing for “creative architecture”. Though some may not enjoy the “look” of a contemporary home, as

long as the technical aspects adhere to the Guidelines, the Guidelines help to ensure the importance of this type of creative diversity within the Community. Understand the Guidelines do not “protect” a view as that is the responsibility of an Owner and their Architect to fully understand the Guidelines and their building envelope. Design Review is looking forward to additional growth and a busy 2016!

Though 2015 concludes and a New Year begins, Design Review will continue to evolve in 2016. The Guidelines will be amended (last Amendment was 2013) and new submittal fees will be in place January 1st, but our biggest change is saying farewell to our Chairman, Ray Herzog! Ray has served as the Design Review Chair for the last 3 years and we thank him for his service. 2016 welcomes Mike Klonoski as Ray's replacement as Chair. We look forward to his leadership. In these busy times, I personally would like to thank all of our Committee volunteers and JT for their dedication to continuing the philosophy of Desert Mountain, “integrating structures into the desert so as to achieve a harmonious and aesthetically pleasing community while preserving the natural beauty of the upper Sonoran desert”. It's not always an easy job and I commend them for their work.

Cheers to a New Year and building your Community! ■



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Section 8.11 LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE - Each Owner is required to maintain the landscape on their Lot in such a manner that it does not become visually unattractive, overgrown or otherwise not in keeping with the Guidelines, the applicable policies of the Association or other provisions of the Declaration. In general, the Natural Area and the Transitional Area should require minimal maintenance since they are intended to appear the same as the undisturbed desert. Maintenance in the Natural Area and Transitional Area should be limited to the removal of dead plant material, the removal of defined weeds or other plant materials not listed in the approved list, and the control of grasses through the use of appropriate methods. The landscape in the Natural Area and the Transitional Area should not have a manicured, raked or groomed appearance and should not be kept clean of all small native grasses and plant material, exposing a bare desert floor. These areas should be maintained in such a manner that they resemble in appearance the undisturbed natural desert. The maintenance of an area around a Residence that is clear of vegetation is not allowed. The landscape areas between the Private Area and the Transitional Area that are not clearly divided by site walls should naturally transition the level of maintenance so as not to create a clear line of demarcation between the two zones.

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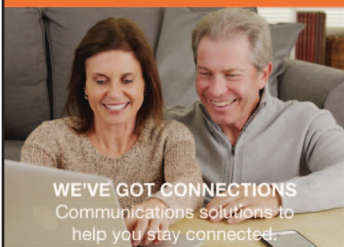
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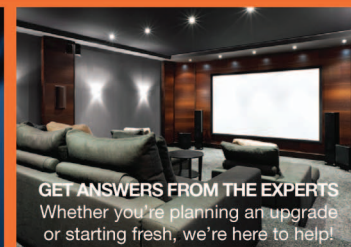
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Javelina at Desert Mountain

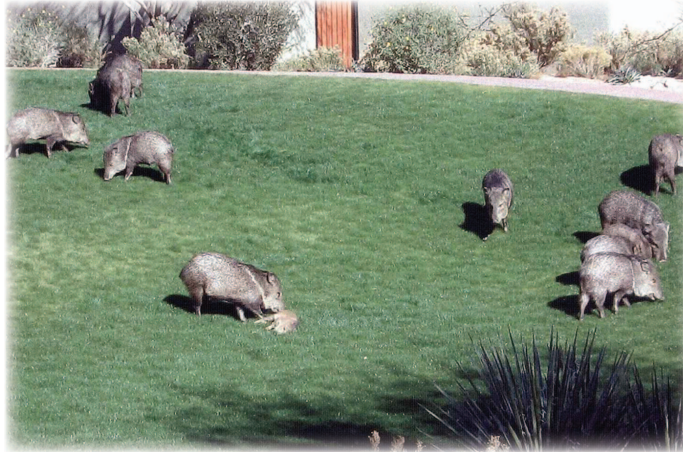
By: *Tony Amezcua, Field Manager for DLC Resources*

As the Landscape Maintenance Experts, we've learned over the years to live in harmony with our wildlife friends. But that doesn't mean we don't face the occasional animal challenge, especially when it comes to the Sonoran Desert that surrounds Desert Mountain. In particular, javelina—or peccary—can become a nuisance when landscape plantings become a quick meal for what resembles wild pigs.

You've probably seen javelina around Desert Mountain. Though they're largely nocturnal creatures, they do make occasional daytime appearances in winter months. In fact, javelina can be quite common in certain residential areas—especially those planted with their preferred diet: succulent plants and cacti, flowers and other lush vegetation. Basically, your beautiful bed of flowers is a delicious salad bar to a javelina.

While there's not much you can do to keep javelina away from their favorite foods, there are certain plants that they don't like, which means they should leave them undisturbed. In Desert Mountain, you can try:

- Indigo Bush (*Dahlia bicolor*) – shrub
- Mountain Mahogany (*Cercocarpus montanas*) – shrub
- One-seed Juniper (*Juniperus monosperma*) – shrub
- Prairie Zinnia (*Zinnia Grandiflora*) – flowering perennial
- Shrub Live Oak (*Quercus turbinella*) – shrub
- Woolly Butterfly Bush (*Buddleia marrubifolia*) – shrub



But be aware; most young or small plants are an open invitation for consumption. It's best to install plants that are at least 5 gallons in size.

To discourage javelina from taking up residence in your neighborhood, follow these simple tips:

- Avoid installing tasty plants, or plants that drop fruit/nuts
- Ensure there are no pools of standing water to drink
- Keep garbage and table scraps secured and off the ground
- Eliminate habitat such as crawlspaces or other areas for a javelina to hide
- Do not scatter birdseed. Rather, try using seed blocks that can be suspended and do not contain much litter.

There is no proven method for completely eliminating javelina. However following these suggestions will encourage javelina to frequent places other than your yard—and still allow you to enjoy an aesthetically pleasing desert landscape.

For more information:

Living with javelina in urban areas
http://www.azgfd.gov/w_c/urban_javelina.shtml

Javelina resistant plants
<http://ag.arizona.edu/pubs/garden/az1238.pdf> ■



Cercocarpus Mountain Mahogany



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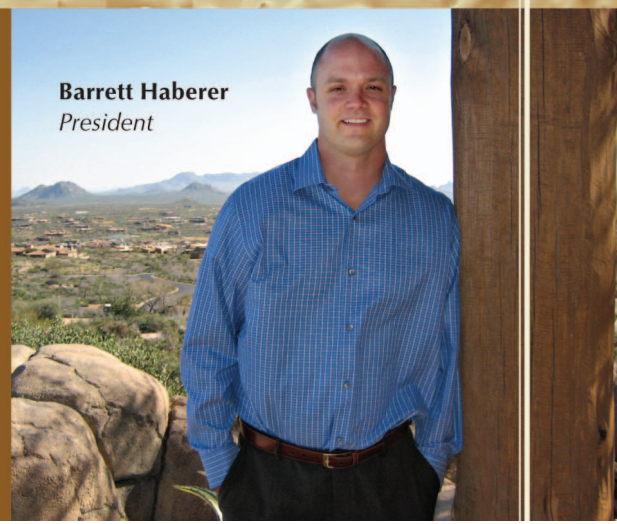
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