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Resort Activities

Hi Everyone! Happy February! I hope everyone has been enjoying your time at Desert Shadows. I've been enjoying all of you! It's really nice to watch you playing pickle ball, and cribbage, and having a good time on Saturday nights listening to music, dancing and visiting with your friends to name a few. So I hope you keep coming out and participating in the social activities here at Desert Shadows.

I started to research "How to Avoid being Scammed", but there are so many different ways we can be conned by people I got overwhelmed. So what I have learned the "hard way" is if someone comes to you and solicits doing a job for you they are possibly a scammer. If they act like they know you and you don't recognize them or remember who they are, they are a scammer or a thief. If they have a reasonable excuse to try and make access to the inside of your home, they are a scammer or a thief. If someone calls you pretending to be a relative, and sounds like them, or wants any of your personal information they are a scammer or a thief. If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is. Remember these people (scam artists and thieves) are approaching you by whatever means they can, in person, emails, phone

calls, etc. So please be wary, these people are everywhere. Legitimate Businesses usually do not come solicit for your business and are not pushy. If you are approached in person, please call 911, even if the police do not show up in time, call them, you never know one time they might. I still believe most people are honest and good, but we do need to constantly be aware of these people to protect ourselves. AARP has lots of good information on many of the current scams out there if you want to give it a read.

Now on to what's happening in February at Desert Shadows!

VARIETY SHOW:

This years VARIETY SHOW will be on February 20th and 21st at 7:00pm each night. We've lined up quite the variety of entertainment for you! So please get you tickets. \$3.00 each, available in the Activities Office and in the lobby an hour before the show begins. The Variety Show is always an entertaining evening. If you have signed up to be a helper, we will contact you soon if we haven't already.

If you are interested in being in the show, please contact myself (Donna) or Gloria Litz within the first few days of the month.

ACTIVITIES OFFICE HOURS

TUESDAY- FRIDAY

9:00 - 12:00 ; 1:00 - 3:00

SATURDAY: 9:00- 12:00

ACTIVITY OFFICE PHONE

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FRONT OFFICE HOURS

WEEKDAYS 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

SATURDAYS 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

SUNDAYS 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

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WEDNESDAY NIGHT SHOWS:

Appearing for the First Time at Desert Shadows is "THE MUSICAL PUPPETEER"! This is one-of-a-kind entertainment for adults and their families, friends and guests. The show integrates a mix of the older standards, lively hand-puppetry, professional acting and an abundance of props in order to present the stories within the songs. The show is on Wednesday, February 7th at 7:00pm. Tickets are \$8 each and available in the Activities Office and in the lobby an hour before the show. Hope you come out see music being brought to life!

Appearing for the First Time at Desert Shadows on Wednesday, March 6th at 7:00pm is the "LIBERTY MINISTRIES QUARTET". This show is a free will offering at the concert, however I still need you to come and get a ticket so I have plenty of chairs available. One of our fine residents referred them to me, she lent me her cd, and after listening I knew I had to invite them to our resort, so please join me for an inspirational evening of music.

DIAMOND DOTZ:

Thursdays from 9am – noon is Diamond Dotz Group or bring whatever craft project you want to work on group. I've seen people bring their current sewing project or their painting stuff. The first three Thursdays of February please meet in the craft room or the Front Auditorium if not in use, as the charity sewers are using the back auditorium. Diamond Dotz will return to the back auditorium on Thursday, February 22nd. It's a great time to socialize and you can share what you're working on with others.

CHARITY SEWING GROUP:

This year the Charity Sewing Group will be making Veterans Honor Blankets. They will be given out to Veterans that reside in our resort during our Veterans Day program in 2024. If you are interested in helping out please come to one of the groups and find out how you can help. In February they will be meeting in the back auditorium on Thursday, February 1st, 8th and 15th. 9am – noon.

SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE MUSIC:

February 3rd – SIGNATURE BLEND (CRAZY HAT NIGHT) 7-10pm

February 10th – FLASHBACK CADILLAC (VALENTINE'S DANCE) 7-10pm

February 17th – KOOLTRAXX (JUNGLE SAFARI NIGHT) 7-10pm

February 24th – CLASSIC JUKEBOX (GLOW IN THE DARK NIGHT) 7-10pm

Feel free to Dress up in theme if you like, its not required, it just adds a little extra fun to the night, plus you don't have to figure out what to wear, if you dress in theme its partly decided for you. Tickets for our Saturday Night Live Music events are \$8.00 each for residents and \$10.00 each for non-residents. You are considered a resident as long as you've paid rent, so if you've paid for one night or 365 nights you are a resident. Tickets are available in the Activities Office or in the lobby by 6:15pm. Prices will be the same if you purchase your ticket at the door the night of the dance. Please bring your own snacks and refreshments.

PAINT N SIP CLASS:

There will be one or two paint n sip classes in February, I wasn't able to secure the dates before the newsletter had to be turned in, so please watch for my posters and online for dates/times. Thank you!

CRAFT & VENDORS MARKET:

Friday, February 9th is our Craft and Vendor Market! Vendors are in the Front and Back Auditoriums from 10am – 1pm. I try to have some NEW VENDORS at each of our events so please come check it out! Donuts go on sale by 9am in the back auditorium and our HOT DOGS AND NACHOS will also be available by 10:30am. Ya'll must like the air fried hot dogs, so I will have more this month. I don't like to run out. If you are interested in becoming one of our vendors please stop by the Activities Office for details.

Sadly, Will's Sharpening won't be able to attend our events, I'm still trying to secure a new sharpening vendor. If you are in need of sharpening services please contact me and I will give you Will's information.

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GAME NIGHT:

Tuesday evenings at 6:30pm in the Card Room join us. We alternate playing either Aggravation, Play Nine (GOLF) or Tripoly (bring pennies). Check the monthly calendar for what is being played, I'm going to try and keep track. Newcomers are welcome, and if you've never played our veteran residents will help you out. No sign-up is required. **DUE TO THE VARIETY SHOW ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH THERE IS NO GAME NIGHT. HOPE YOU COME AND PLAY!**

SATURDAY MORNING SOCIALS:

JOIN US by 7:30am on Saturday mornings, February 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th for DONUTS and COFFEE in the Front Auditorium. If we have any leftover donuts they will be for sale in the Activities Office 9 - noon Donuts are \$1.25 each and coffee is complimentary. It's a great time to catch up on all the latest news with your fellow residents, or meet some new people.

BINGO:

Thursday Evenings we enjoy BINGO in the Front Auditorium. We start selling Game sheets by 6:00pm and stop selling at 6:45pm. Bingo starts after the money is counted and divided between the games. We play 10 regular games and 2 Jackpot Coveralls. You may purchase as many game sheets as you would like to play. Must be 18 years of age or older to attend. So grab your bingo daubers (we sell them too) and try your luck, you may be a WINNER! Our highest jackpot so far has been \$280.00. Let's see how high we can get it this season!

*FYI – The regular game packs are \$3.00 for a 3-on-1 and \$6.00 for a 6-on 1 sheet and the Jackpot Coveralls are \$1.00 for each 3 on 1.

CARD MAKING CLASS:

Penne will be having her card making class on Wednesday, February 7th in the Craft room. There will be two classes. One at 10:30am and one at 2:00pm Each class is making a card and something extra. \$5.00 for each class. Please sign up and prepay for the class in the Activities Office. Class size limited to 6 people at each class.

KARAOKE:

Join Gloria and myself from 6:30pm – 9:00pm on Friday, February 2nd, Friday, February 16th and February 23rd for KARAOKE! Feel free to bring your own snacks and beverages. Singing isn't a requirement to attend. Come and socialize with your neighbors, make some new friends, dance. It's ok to let your inner "Rock, Country, Jazz or Blues Singing Star" in you to come out. Regardless of whether you sing or not we always seem to have a fun evening.

POKER WALK:

The POKER WALKS this month are on Saturday, February 3rd from 10am – noon, and Wednesday, February 14th from 10am - noon. All Poker Walks start and end at the Activities Office. You may walk, wheel, bike, drive your golf cart to the designated stops. There will be a prize for the person with the best Poker Hand and a prize for the worst poker hand. If you are interested in being one of the stops please let me know! Thank you!

TRIVIA NIGHT:

Test your knowledge at our Trivia Night on Wednesday, February 14th at 7PM in the Front Auditorium. This is a team event and prizes will be given out to the team with the highest score after 5 rounds. Questions range from all levels of knowledge, but I do try and keep them fairly easy. Just come and have some fun with your fellow residents.

DEAL OR NO DEAL:

Do you remember "Howie Mandel" and "Deal or No Deal"? I'm going to put Wheel of Fortune on hold and try something new. So for the first time we will have "DEAL OR NO DEAL" on Wednesday, February 28th at 7pm in the Front Auditorium. Hope you come and give it a try!

GENEALOGY CLASS:

If you are interested in your genealogy please attend this informational presentation by Lou McLean. She is the President of the West Valley Genealogy Society. She will be able to help you with research tips to get started researching your ancestry. It's on Monday, February 5th at 9:30am in the Back Auditorium.

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REVELATION BIBLE STUDY:

Do you have questions about what the world is heading towards? Discover real answers to your questions with us (Led by Tiny), as we study the Book of Revelation in an informal and friendly style. *A weekly group study is on Tuesdays, from 1:00pm – 2:00pm in the Back Auditorium.*

VETERANS COFFEE HOUR:

Calling all Veterans! You are invited to attend a Veteran Coffee Hour 9am – 10am on the third Tuesday of each month. The one in February is on the 20th. It is at the Phoenix Memorial Park & Mortuary located at 200 W. Beardsley Rd., Phoenix, 85027 ALL ARE WELCOME!

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Please refrain from Dumping/Dropping off your garbage and unwanted items on the wall by the dumpster. Leaving those items draws Non-Resident individuals into our resort. If the Dumpster is gone due to Waste Management picking it up for dumping please wait until it returns to dump your bagged trash. Your unwanted items can be dropped off at Savers at 35th Ave and Bell and the closest Goodwill is located at 19th Ave and Union Hills. Thank you, we appreciate your Cooperation.

Trash pick up is Tuesdays and Fridays starting at 7am. Please only set out 13 gallon or larger trash bags. No boxes, small bags, loose trash, etc. This makes it harder for them to pick up the trash (by hand).

Sidewalk etiquette: Please do not park any part of your vehicle or golf cart on the sidewalk. For safety reasons we want the sidewalks clear for pedestrians to walk on. Please communicate to your visitors of the resort policy to avoid them getting a ticket. Thank you!

Please remember to clean up after your dogs and instead of leaving the plastic bag alongside the sidewalks for someone else to pick up, throw them in the garbage cans yourself. Thank you for helping keep our Desert Shadows home clean.



DESERT SHADOWS CHURCH FEBRUARY 2024

Sunday services begin at 9am in the Front Auditorium.

February 4 — Pastor Ed Jarvis

February 11 — Pastor Nova Forrest

February 18 — Pastor Kim Johnson

February 25 — Pastor Roger Withee

What is the first thing you think of when February comes around? For many, we think about love. As you give a love note or gift to your special someone, remember God says, "Love each other as I have loved you" and "We love because He first loved us". At Desert Shadows Church we know the love we have for one another does not compare to the unconditional love God has for each one of us. We invite you to join us on Sunday mornings at 9 a.m. to be a part of the fellowship, worship, and sharing of God's word.

Bible study, led by Rev. Ed Jarvis, is going strong on Wednesday at 1 p.m. Come join us as we learn from the books of Daniel and Esther.

The church committee meets every Wednesday at 2 p.m. We are always looking for volunteers and people who want to get involved.

Choir practice is every Friday at 2:30 p.m. led by Jim Bontrager. It is a great time of singing all of your favorite hymns. Hope to see you there.

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WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

MONDAY

AM

Water Aerobics w/Leader (POOL)	9:00
Ladies Chat Group (Card)	10:30

PM

Pinochle * (Card) .50	1:00
Baseball Darts (BA)	6:30
Mens Billiards (B)	1:00

TUESDAY

AM

Quilters (FA)	8:30
Cribbage * .50 (CARD)	9:00
65 (CFT)	9:00

PM

Bridge * (CARD)	1:00
Bunco (BA) bring \$1.00	3:00
Game Night (CARD)	6:00
(Alternate between Aggravation, Play Nine/Golf and Tripoly: bring \$2.00 in Pennies for Tripoly)	

WEDNESDAY

AM

Water Aerobics w/Leader (POOL)	9:00
Beginners Line Dancing (FA)	9:00

PM

Pinochle * (Card) .50	1:00
Poker (CFT)	6:00
Thirty one (31) card game (CD)	6:30

THURSDAY

AM

Cribbage * .50 (CARD)	9:00
Diamond Dotz (BA) or Other Craft	9-Noon

PM

Cribbage * .50 (CARD)	1:00
Bingo (FA)	6:00

FRIDAY

AM

Water Aerobics w/Leader (POOL)	9:00
Advanced Line Dancing (FA)	9:00
*Bridge (CARD)	9:00

PM

Euchre (CARD)	12 NOON
Choir Practice (FA)	2:30
Mens Billiards (B)	1:00

SATURDAY

AM

Donuts (\$1.25 each)	7:30
*AZ Rummy (CARD)	9:00
Cribbage (CARD)	9:00

PM

LIVE MUSIC (FA)	7PM-10PM
tickets available in Activities Office and at door	

SUNDAY

AM

Church (FA) Non-Denominational	9:00
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PM

Pinochle * (Card) .50	1:00
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LEGEND

(FA) = FRONT AUDITORIUM

(BA) = BACK AUDITORIUM

(CARD) = CARD ROOM

(CFT) = CRAFT ROOM

(POOL) = SWIMMING POOL

(B) = BILLIARD ROOM

(BC) = BOCCE COURT

(SBC) = SHUFFLEBOARD COURT

* = NEED TO SIGN UP IN (CARD)

FEBRUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
LEGEND FA = FRONT AUDITORIUM BA = BACK AUDITORIUM CD = CARD ROOM CF= CRAFT ROOM				1 CHARITY SEW 9AM(BA) DIAMOND DOTZ 9AM-NOON(FA) CRIBBAGE 9AM & 1PM(CD) BINGO 6PM (FA)	2 WATER AEROBICS (9AM POOL) ADVANCED LINE DANCE 9AM(FA) EUCHRE 12 NOON (CD) CHOIR(FA) 2:30PM KARAOKE 6:30-9PM (FA)	3 SATURDAY SOCIAL (FA) 7:30AM - 9:00AM CRIBBAGE 9AM (CD) ARIZONA RUMMY 9AM (CD) POKER WALK 10AM - NOON LIVE MUSIC 7-10PM SIGNATURE BLEND (CRAZY HAT NIGHT)
4 CHURCH 9AM (FA) PINOCHLE 1:00PM (CD)	5 WATER AEROBICS (9AM POOL) GENEALOGY SOCIETY PRESENTATION (BA) 9:30AM LADIES CHAT GROUP 10:30AM(CD) <u>PINOCHLE 1:00PM (CD)</u> DARTS 6:30PM(BA)	6 QUILTERS 8:30AM(FA) CRIBBAGE 9AM (CD) <u>BUNCO 3PM (BA)</u> PLAY NINE/GOLF 6:30PM (CD)	7 WATER AEROBICS (9AM POOL) BEGINNERS LINE DANCE 9AM(FA) CARD MAKING CLASSES 10:30AM & 2PM <u>PINOCHLE 1:00PM (CD)</u> <u>POKER 6PM (CF)</u> <u>"31" 6PM (CD)</u> *7PM SHOW* MUSICAL PUPPETEER	8 CHARITY SEW 9AM(BA) DIAMOND DOTZ 9AM-NOON(FA) CRIBBAGE 9AM & 1PM(CD) BINGO 6PM (FA)	9 WATER AEROBICS (9AM POOL) EUCHRE 12 NOON (CD) CRAFT & VENDOR MARKET 10AM - 1PM DONUTS 9AM HOT DOGS 10:30AM CHOIR(FA) 2:30PM	10 SATURDAY SOCIAL (FA) 7:30AM - 9:00AM CRIBBAGE 9AM (CD) ARIZONA RUMMY 9AM (CD) LIVE MUSIC 7-10PM FLASHBACK CADDILLAC (VALENTINES DANCE)
11 CHURCH 9AM (FA) PINOCHLE 1:00PM (CD)	12 WATER AEROBICS (9AM POOL) LADIES CHAT GROUP 10:30AM(CD) <u>PINOCHLE 1:00PM (CD)</u> DARTS 6:30PM(BA)	13 QUILTERS 8:30AM(FA) CRIBBAGE 9AM (CD) <u>BUNCO 3PM (BA)</u> TRIPOLY 6:30PM (CD)	14 WATER AEROBICS (9AM POOL) BEGINNERS LINE DANCE 9AM(FA) POKER WALK 10AM - NOON <u>PINOCHLE 1:00PM (CD)</u> <u>POKER 6PM (CF)</u> <u>"31" 6PM (CD)</u> TRIVIA 7PM (FA)	15 CHARITY SEW 9AM(BA) DIAMOND DOTZ 9AM-NOON(FA) CRIBBAGE 9AM & 1PM(CD) BINGO 6PM (FA)	16 WATER AEROBICS (9AM POOL) ADVANCED LINE DANCE 9AM(FA) EUCHRE 12 NOON (CD) CHOIR(FA) 2:30PM KARAOKE 6:30-9PM (FA)	17 SATURDAY SOCIAL (FA) 7:30AM - 9:00AM CRIBBAGE 9AM (CD) ARIZONA RUMMY 9AM (CD) LIVE MUSIC 7-10PM KOOLTRAXX (JUNGLE SAFARI NIGHT)
18 CHURCH 9AM (FA) PINOCHLE 1:00PM (CD)	19 WATER AEROBICS (9AM POOL) LADIES CHAT GROUP 10:30AM(CD) <u>PINOCHLE 1:00PM (CD)</u> NO DARTS	20 QUILTERS 8:30AM-NOON(FA) CRIBBAGE 9AM (CD) <u>BUNCO 3PM (BA)</u> NO AGGRAVATION VARIETY SHOW 7PM (FA)	21 WATER AEROBICS (9AM POOL) NO BEGINNERS LINE DANCE <u>PINOCHLE 1:00PM (CD)</u> <u>POKER 6PM (CF)</u> <u>"31" 6PM (CD)</u> VARIETY SHOW 7PM (FA)	22 DIAMOND DOTZ 9AM-NOON(BA) CRIBBAGE 9AM & 1PM(CD) BINGO 6PM (FA)	23 WATER AEROBICS (9AM POOL) ADVANCED LINE DANCE 9AM(FA) EUCHRE 12 NOON (CD) CANADA PARTY 11AM - 2PM (BA) CHOIR(FA) 2:30PM KARAOKE 6:30-9PM (FA)	24 SATURDAY SOCIAL (FA) 7:30AM - 9:00AM CRIBBAGE 9AM (CD) ARIZONA RUMMY 9AM (CD) LIVE MUSIC 7-10PM CLASSIC JUKEBOX (GLOW IN THE DARK NIGHT)
25 CHURCH 9AM (FA) PINOCHLE 1:00PM (CD)	26 WATER AEROBICS (9AM POOL) LADIES CHAT GROUP 10:30AM(CD) <u>PINOCHLE 1:00PM (CD)</u> DARTS 6:30PM(BA)	27 QUILTERS 8:30AM(FA) CRIBBAGE 9AM (CD) <u>BUNCO 3PM (BA)</u> AGGRAVATION 6:30PM (CD)	28 WATER AEROBICS (9AM POOL) BEGINNERS LINE DANCE 9AM(FA) CAKE WALK 11AM (FA) <u>PINOCHLE 1:00PM (CD)</u> <u>POKER 6PM (CF)</u> <u>"31" 6PM (CD)</u> *DEAL OR* NO DEAL 7PM (FA)	29 DIAMOND DOTZ 9AM-NOON(BA) CRIBBAGE 9AM & 1PM(CD) BINGO 6PM (FA)		