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DESERT SHADOWS

The Desert Sun

Resort Activities

HAPPY MARCH EVERYONE!!!

May the early spring Awaken your soul and Remind you to Celebrate the season with the Hope and joy it brings.

I hope everyone has been enjoying the season at Desert Shadows so far. Did you know that getting involved in social activities can help stave off isolation and loneliness. Social activities help people to build connections with others, improve your mood and can help with your physical wellness. So get up off your sofa/chair and get out there and come play cribbage or euchre or something else. If you don't know how to play we will teach you. If we don't offer an activity that interests you, please stop by my office and let me know what you do like, I'm always willing to listen to new ideas and if I can work out the details can add it to our schedule.

Let's get started with March Activities!!! Please keep a watch for new posters or the line up on the white board in the lobby, some activities may be added after I write the Newsletter. Thanks! Donna, Your Activities Director

Wednesday Night Show:

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. Please join me for an inspirational evening of music.

St. Patrick's Parade:

Friday, March 15th at 5pm we will start our Parade around the resort.

Bring out your shamrocks and pots of gold and green stuff and decorate your bikes and golf carts. Line up outside the activities office and be ready to take off by 5.

Patio Sale:

Our RESORT WIDE rummage Sale is on Saturday, March 16TH from 8AM – NOON. The sign-up sheet will be in the lobby on the white board. There will be two teams driving around and selling donuts and coffee in the morning. We know you are busy getting your sale stuff ready or out getting those early treasures!

Ice Cream Social:

Wednesday, March 13th at 2:13pm we are having an ice cream social in the Front Auditorium. Cost is \$3.00 for your "MAKE YOUR OWN SUNDAE".

ACTIVITIES OFFICE HOURS

TUESDAY– FRIDAY

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

SATURDAY: 9:00– 12:00

ACTIVITY OFFICE PHONE

623-869-9224

events@PhoenixRVresorts.com

FRONT OFFICE HOURS

WEEKDAYS 8:30 am – 4:00 pm

SATURDAYS 8:30 am – 4:00 pm

SUNDAYS 8:30 am – 4:00 pm

OFFICE PHONE 623-869-8178

Website: www.PhoenixRVresorts.com

Activities

SATURDAY MORNING SOCIALS:

JOIN US by 7:30am on Saturday mornings, March 2, March 9th, March 23rd and March 30th, 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.

Saturday, March 16th is our Spring Community Rummage Sale, so our donuts and coffee will be coming around this day by golf cart. I will have two golf carts going around the resort selling donuts and coffee, so be on the lookout for Frank and Grace's golf carts.

SATURDAY NIGHT LIVES MUSIC:

March 2nd – COME BACK BUDDY (NERDS CRASH THE SOCK HOP) 7-10pm

March 9th – SIGNATURE BLEND 7-10pm

March 16th – KOOLTRAXX (ST. PATRICKS CELEBRATION) 7-10pm

March 23rd – BACK NINE BANDITS 7-10pm

March 30th – CLASSIC JUKEBOX (REDNECK SATURDAY NITE) 7-10pm

Feel free to Dress up in theme if you like, it's 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 it's 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.

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. HOPE YOU COME AND PLAY!

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.

CRAFT & VENDORS MARKET:

Friday, March 8th 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.

KARAOKE:

Join Gloria and myself from 6:30pm – 9:00pm on Friday, March 1st, March 15th and March 29th 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. Its 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, March 2nd from 10am – noon, and Wednesday, March 27th from 10am - noon. All Poker Walks start and end at the Activities Office. You may walk, wheel, bike, or 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!

Activities Continued

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. It's a great time to socialize and you can share what you're working on with others.

TRIVIA NIGHT:

Test your knowledge at Trivia Night on Wednesday, March 13th 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. Come and have some fun with your fellow residents.

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!

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION:

On Wednesday, March 20th at 11:30am, The Roles Family would like to show their appreciation to all of the VOLUNTEERS that have helped make this seasons activities such a success. Deadline to sign-up in the Activities Office is Friday, March 15th at 3pm. Thank you!!!

SINGSPIRATION:

There will be a special Church Choir music concert on Sunday, March 10TH at 7:00pm in the Front Auditorium.

JEOPARDY:

Join me on Wednesday, March 27th at 7pm in the Front Auditorium for our first Jeopardy Game Night!

GUYS AND GALS MEMORIAL GOLF:

Our next Guys and Gals Golf Outing is on Wednesday, March 13th. It's a fun scramble format and ALL golfers win a prize. Golf is at Peoria Pines Golf Course. Golf fee at sign up is \$10.00 per person. Additional costs at the Golf Course. Sign-up sheet is in the lobby.

CRAFT CLASS:

Sign-up to make a Bunny Wreath! Example is in the Activities Office. You can attend the class on either Monday, March 4th or Tuesday, March 5th at 3:30pm in the Craft Room. Limited availability. Cost is \$20.00 and will include all the supplies. Please bring your fee with when you sign up. Thank you!

QUILT & CRAFT SHOW:

Come and check out all the wonderful works of art created by our QUILTING AND SEWING GROUPS AND CRAFTERS on Tuesday, March 12th from 10:00am – 2:00pm in the Front Auditorium. Admission is FREE!!!

PAINT N SIP CLASS:

Join Shellie on Monday, March 18th from 1:00-3:30pm for Paint n Sip class In the Back Auditorium. Cost is \$25.00 per person, includes all your supplies. Hope you can make it!

EASTER SUNDAY DINNER:

Sunday, March 31st at 1:00pm in the Front Auditorium we will have our Easter Potluck Dinner. The Resort will provide the Ham and you bring a dish to share. Please remember to sign up on the sheet in the lobby by Friday, March 29th. Don't forget you need to bring your own beverage and table settings.

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Church News



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Sunday Morning

Interdenominational services are at 9:00 AM in the Auditorium. Everyone is welcome to attend.

The doors open at 8:30 for chatting and visiting. Our choir is one of the best in the valley and so are our dedicated Ministers. Hope to see you there!

Following is the list of pastors for March.

Mar 3 Rev. Kim Johnson

Mar 10 Dr. Ed Jarvis

Mar 17 Rev. Dennis Gleason

Mar 24 Rev. Nova Forrest

Mar 31 Dr. Ed Jarvis

March is going to be a busy time for our Desert Shadows Church. In addition to our 5 regular Sunday Services, 2 of which are Palm Sunday and Easter, our church and the Resort are Co-sponsoring a Southern Gospel Quartet Performance in the Auditorium on the evening of March 6th at 7 PM. Additionally, on the evening of Sun Mar 10th at 7PM the choir will be leading a Sing-spiration in the Auditorium. Everyone is welcome - bring friends.

A thought as we prepare for Easter: Love God and Love your neighbor as yourself. I don't know about you, but for me that love your neighbor as yourself part is a pretty tall order sometimes. Thankfully God is there to help us -- not just in prayer but in the Scriptures.

My favorite is 1st Corinthians 13. Some call it the Love Chapter: "...4. Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. 5. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. 6. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. 7. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres..."

I read somewhere that if I read 1st Corinthians 13 once a day everyday for a month it would change my life -- and it did. I invite you to give it a try -- and report your results back the first 2 weeks in April, because we have extended our church ser-

vices until April 14th. Just kidding - reporting is optional.

All of March is within the 40 days of Lent. This repetitive reading of the "Love Chapter" seems like a perfect Lenten endeavor, and it may change your whole life...and your neighbors too!

From the Office

Some important things to remember:

- Trash pick up is on Tuesdays and Fridays beginning at 7am. ALL trash must be in a 13 gallon or larger trash bag. NO boxes, small bags, loose items, etc.
- If you want to wash your vehicle/RV please only use a pressure washer and get NO water in the street.
- If you have a dog, please pick up after them and dispose right away. We have 4 dog runs throughout the resort for your convenience.
- Please watch your speed in the resort and abide by the posted STOP signs.
- All vehicles in the resort must be registered with a parking pass displayed in the window. If you have a guest staying, they MUST get a guest pass.
- All guests MUST be registered and can only stay a maximum of 2 weeks (while you are also there).
- Back gate remotes have been reset in the gate, so if yours isn't working it means you probably didn't get it re-registered with the front office. Please bring it up. They are programed back into the gate Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

If you are tired of traveling the road in your RV and want a more permanent place in sunny Phoenix, AZ take a look at the homes for sale at Desert Shadows. Our full time professional sales team will help you with all the details and paperwork. Call for more details 623-734-3133 or see our website for a list of available homes at www.phoenixRVresorts.com

MARCH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
LEGEND FA = FRONT AUDITORIUM BA = BACK AUDITORIUM CD = CARD ROOM CF= CRAFT ROOM					1 WATER AEROBICS (9AM POOL) ADVANCED LINE DANCE 9AM(FA) EUCHRE 12 NOON (CD) CHOIR(FA) 2:30PM KARAOKE 6:30-9PM (FA)	2 SATURDAY SOCIAL (FA) 7:30AM - 9:00AM CRIBBAGE 9AM (CD) POKER WALK 10AM -NOON LIVE MUSIC 7-10PM COME BACK BUDDY (NERDS CRASH THE SOCK HOP)
3 CHURCH 9AM (FA) PINOCHLE 1:00PM (CD)	4 LADIES CHAT GROUP 10:30AM(CD) CRAFT CLASS 3:30PM DARTS 6:30PM(BA)	5 CRIBBAGE 9AM (CD) BUNCO 3PM (BA) POKER WALK 10AM -NOON PLAY NINE/GOLF 6:30PM (CD)	6 BEGINNERS LINE DANCE 9AM(FA) PINOCHLE 1:00PM (CD) LIBERTY GOSPEL QUARTET 7PM	7 DIAMOND DOTZ 9AM-NOON(BA) CRIBBAGE 9AM & 1PM(CD) BINGO 6PM (FA)	8 CRAFT & VENDOR MARKET 10AM - 1PM DONUTS 9AM HOT DOGS 10:30AM	9 SATURDAY SOCIAL (FA) 7:30AM - 9:00AM CRIBBAGE 9AM (CD) ARIZONA RUMMY 9AM (CD) LIVE MUSIC 7-10PM SIGNATURE BLEND
10 CHURCH 9AM (FA) PINOCHLE 1:00PM (CD) SINGSPIRATION 7PM	11 LADIES CHAT GROUP 10:30AM(CD) PINOCHLE 1:00PM (CD) DARTS 6:30PM(BA)	12 QUILT & CRAFT SHOW 10AM - 2PM CRIBBAGE 9AM (CD) BUNCO 3PM (BA) TRIPOLY 6:30PM (CD)	13 BEGINNERS LINE DANCE 9AM(FA) ICE CREAM SOCIAL 2:13PM (FA) PINOCHLE 1:00PM (CD) "31" 6:30pm (CD) TRIVIA 7PM	14 DIAMOND DOTZ 9AM-NOON(BA) CRIBBAGE 9AM & 1PM(CD) BINGO 6PM (FA)	15 ADVANCED LINE DANCE 9AM(FA) EUCHRE 12 NOON (CD) CHOIR(FA) 2:30PM ST. PATRICKS PARADE 5PM KARAOKE 6:30-9PM (FA)	16 PATIO SALE 8AM -NOON MOBILE SATURDAY SOCIAL 7:30AM - TILL SOLD OUT LIVE MUSIC 7-10PM KOOLTRAXX (ST. PATRICKS DANCE)
17 CHURCH 9AM (FA) PINOCHLE 1:00PM (CD) ST. PATRICKS DAY!	18 LADIES CHAT GROUP 10:30AM(CD) PINOCHLE 1:00PM (CD) PAINT N SIP 1PM DARTS 6:30PM(BA)	19 QUILTERS 8:30AM-NOON(FA) CRIBBAGE 9AM (CD) BUNCO 3PM (BA) AGGRAVATION 6:30PM (CD)	20 VOLUNTEER BANQUET 11:30AM SIGNUP REQUIRED! PINOCHLE 1:00PM (CD) POKER 6PM (CF) "31" 6:30pm (CD)	21 DIAMOND DOTZ 9AM-NOON(BA) CRIBBAGE 9AM & 1PM(CD) BINGO 6PM (FA)	22 ADVANCED LINE DANCE 9AM(FA) EUCHRE 12 NOON (CD) CHOIR(FA) 2:30PM	23 SATURDAY SOCIAL (FA) 7:30AM - 9:00AM CRIBBAGE 9AM (CD) ARIZONA RUMMY 9AM (CD) LIVE MUSIC 7-10PM BACK NINE BANDITS
24 CHURCH 9AM (FA) PINOCHLE 1:00PM (CD)	25 LADIES CHAT GROUP 10:30AM(CD) PINOCHLE 1:00PM (CD) DARTS 6:30PM(BA)	26 QUILTERS 8:30AM-NOON(FA) CRIBBAGE 9AM (CD) BUNCO 3PM (BA) PLAY NINE/GOLF 6:30PM (CD)	27 BEGINNERS LINE DANCE 9AM(FA) POKER WALK 10AM -NOON PINOCHLE 1:00PM (CD) POKER 6PM (CF) "31" 6:30pm (CD) JEOPARDY 7PM	28 DIAMOND DOTZ 9AM-NOON(BA) CRIBBAGE 9AM & 1PM(CD) BINGO 6PM (FA)	29 ADVANCED LINE DANCE 9AM(FA) EUCHRE 12 NOON (CD) CHOIR(FA) 2:30PM GOOD FRIDAY!	30 SATURDAY MORNING SOCIAL (FA) 7:30AM - 9:00AM CRIBBAGE 9AM (CD) LIVE MUSIC 7-10PM CLASSIC JUKEBOX (REDNECK SATURDAY NITE)
31 CHURCH 9AM (FA) PINOCHLE 1:00PM (CD) EASTER SUNDAY DINNER 1PM SIGN-UP						

Weekly Schedule

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)