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DESERT SHADOWS

The Desert Sun

Resort Activities

CHEERS TO A HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE

Thank you everyone for a great start to our season. The second half will be just as great! We have the Theatre Group performing 4 short plays for us, a comedy stunt show, paint n sip class and card making, plus all the regular activities happening. I'm hoping Leroy and Betty will be returning so he can continue giving square dance lessons. If you are new in our park or a short term visitor and want to get involved in our activities please stop by the Activities Office for more information or simply show up at the activity.

Thank you to everyone that decorated their homes/lots for Christmas. The three winners are: 1st Place goes to Lot 259 (Larry and Linda), 2nd place is Lot 558 (Paul and Pauline) and 3rd place is Lot 280 (William and Tia). Congratulations everyone and thank you voters!

I know I posted a thank you on our two Facebook groups, but I would like to thank Marie Hill and Chris Jewett for filling in for me while I was gone, and to all the volunteers that stepped up and did extra volunteering while we were gone. We appreciate you all!!!

COMEDY STUNT SHOW:

Please add to your to do list to attend Matt Baker's Comedy Stunt Show on Friday, January 16th at 7:00pm. Tickets for the show are \$10.00 each. Matt has appeared on "The Late Late Show with James Corden", "tosh.O", and "America's Got Talent", and he is a Guinness World Record Holder.

Tickets available in the Activities Office and In the lobby before the performance. I hope you can make it, the show should be amazing and a bunch of laughs.

THEATRE GROUP PERFORMANCES:

The Theatre Group will be performing FOUR short one act plays. Performances are on Tuesday, January 27th at 7:00pm and on Wednesday, January 28th at 7pm. Come and see "The License", "Darling Have You Met My Wife", "Dangerous Games", and "The Recipe". Cost is \$5.00 per ticket available in the Activities Office and in the lobby before each performance. Check out your friends, we've been practic-

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

SATURDAY 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

SUNDAY 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

OFFICE PHONE 623-869-8178

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SATURDAY MORNING SOCIALS:

JOIN US at 7:30am on Saturday mornings, January 3rd, January 10th, January 17th, January 24th and January 31st for DONUTS and COFFEE in the Front Auditorium.

If we have any left over donuts they will be for sale in the Activities Office 9 - noon Donuts are \$1.50 each and coffee is complimentary. It's a great time to catch up on all the latest news with your fellow residents and meet some new friends!

SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE MUSIC:

January 3rd – No Dance tonight

January 10th – CHEAP LUNCH BAND
(PAJAMA PARTY) 6:30pm – 9:30pm

January 17th – RUSTY DOUBLE S (LUAU)
6:30pm – 9:30pm

January 24th – SUREFIRE (CRAZY HAT
NIGHT) 6:30pm – 9:30pm

January 31st - KOOLTRAXX (REDNECK
NIGHT) 6:30PM – 9:30PM

I book the bands for our current season before I close my doors end of April. I try and book some new bands so that we can bring in some a good variety to enjoy. I will try and have comment slips available at each dance even if they have been here before. If you don't express your likes/dislikes/comments about the bands I can't fix any problems that may be fixable before there next performance. Please come to me directly, I appreciate your feedback. I have talked with a couple of bands that have been here already to address those concerns and so I hope you give them another chance. Thank you!

Tickets for our regular 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. Prices will be the same if you purchase your ticket at the door the night of the dance. The dances/live music events are themed. Partly to decorate the auditorium and to dress up. Dressing up in theme is NOT REQUIRED. It just adds to the fun if you choose to do so. Please bring your own snacks and refreshments.

KARAOKE:

Join Gloria and myself from 6:30pm – 9:00pm on Fridays, January 2nd and January 23rd for KARA-OKE! Bring your own snacks and beverages.

Karaoke is more about getting together with your friends and neighbors to socialize than it is singing. But it sure is fun. So come and socialize with your neighbors, make some new friends, dance, get out of your home. Its ok to let your inner "Rock, Country, Jazz or Blues Singing Star" in you to come out.

POKER WALK:

The POKER WALKS this month are on Saturday, January 3rd and Wednesday, January 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, January 7th 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. You know more than you think you do!

BINGO:

Every Thursday Evening we enjoy BINGO in the Front Auditorium, However, there is NO BINGO on Thursday, January 1st. 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 Coverall's. You may purchase as many game sheets as you would like to play. It is a minimum of \$5.00 to play a game sheet for each game. 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 has been around \$170.00. Let's see how high we can get it this season!

Activities Continued

PAINT & SIP CLASS:

Shellie will be sharing her talents with us again on Sundays, January 4th and January 18th at 1:00pm in the Back Auditorium. She's not sure of what the inspiration painting will be yet, so keep an eye out for posters or check in at the Activities Office. If you have suggestions please let me or Shellie know. Cost will be \$25.00 for class and all your painting supplies. You bring your own sipping beverages. It's a lot of fun and if you don't think you have any talent you should take one class, Shellie will help you bring out the Picasso in you!

CARD MAKING CLASS:

Penne will have card making class twice this month. First one is on Friday, January 9th at 1:00pm in the Craft Room and the second class is on Monday, January 19th at 1:00pm in the Craft Room. Each class is \$5.00 for a card which are on display in my office or check out the posters. Please sign up in my office as only room for 6 people in each class.

Desert Shadows Sales

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

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Church News



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Sunday services begin at 9:00 am in the Front Auditorium.

Our church is open to all. We would love to have you join us for our services. The last Sunday of every month is Refreshments and Fellowship.

The church committee meets on Wednesdays at 1:00 in the back auditorium. We welcome you to the meetings and encourage your input. We are always looking for people to head or be a member of a committee.

Pastors and lay leaders for December:

January 4 Ed Jarvis-Pastor, Dave Genskay- Lay Leader (Communion)

January 11 Nova Forrest- Pastor, Lila Norris- Lay Leader

January 18 Dennis Gleason- Pastor, Skot Beazley- Lay Leader

January 25 Roger Withee- Pastor, Dave Genskay- Lay Leader (Subject to change)

January 25th is Pastor Roger Withee's last time with us. We will have refreshments after the service in honor of Pastor Withee.

Devices of Assistance

Some residents have assistance devices such as Shower Chairs, Walkers, Wheel Chairs they are willing to loan to those who need them. Contact Frank Sheesley, 303-301-5470 or Carol Paprocki, 623-670-4497, if you are in need of any items.

The Southwest Gospel Music Festival will be Saturday, January 17th and Sunday, January 18th at Mesa Arts Center Ikeda Theatre. For tickets or info call 480-644-6500. Tickets are on sale at SOUTHWESTGOSPELMUSICFESTIVAL.COM

Thank you to everyone for donating food and toys for Toys for Tots.

If you would like a prayer request, please contact Barbara Woodward by text, 505-980-8244, or email. thewoodwardsnm@gmail.com. We encourage updates to your requests, so we know how things are going. Prayer is so very powerful.

JANUARY 2026

***PLEASE CHECK WHITE BOARD IN LOBBY FOR WEEKLY
ACTIVITY UPDATES!!!***

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
LEGEND FA = FRONT AUDITORIUM BA = BACK AUDITORIUM CD = CARD ROOM CF= CRAFT ROOM				1 *CRIBBAGE 9AM *DIAMOND DOTZ 9AM - NOON *CRIBBAGE 1PM NO BINGO HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE!	2 *BRIDGE 8:30AM *WATER AEROBICS 9AM *ADVANCED LINE DANCE 9AM *ELC-RE 12 NOON *MENS BILLIARDS 1PM *CHOIR 2PM KARAOKE 6:30-9PM(FA)	3 *SATURDAY SOCIAL 7:30AM - 9:00AM (FA) *CRIBBAGE 9AM POKER WALK 10AM - NOON NO LIVE MUSIC TONIGHT
4 *CHURCH 9AM (FA) *PINOCCHLE 1:00PM (CD) *BOWLING 1PM PAINT N SIP 1:00PM	5 *WATER AEROBICS 9AM *PINOCCHLE 1PM *BIBLE STUDY 1PM *MENS BILLIARDS 1PM *POKER 6PM *BASEBALL DARTS 6:30PM	6 *QUILTERS GROUP 8:30AM *CRIBBAGE 9AM *65 9AM *BRIDGE 9AM *BLNCO 3PM PLAY NINE 6:30PM (CD)	7 *WATER AEROBICS 9AM *BEGINNERS LINE DANCE 9AM *PINOCCHLE 9AM *POKER 6PM TRIVIA 7PM (FA)	8 *CRIBBAGE 9AM *DIAMOND DOTZ 9AM - NOON *CRIBBAGE 1PM BINGO 6PM (FA)	9 *BRIDGE 8:30AM *WATER AEROBICS 9AM *ADVANCED LINE DANCE 9AM *ELC-RE 12 NOON *MENS BILLIARDS 1PM *CHOIR 2PM CARD CLASS 1:00PM	10 *SATURDAY SOCIAL 7:30AM - 9:00AM (FA) *CRIBBAGE 9AM LIVE MUSIC 6:30-9:30pm CHEAP LUNCH BAND (Pajama Party)
11 *CHURCH 9AM (FA) *PINOCCHLE 1:00PM (CD) *BOWLING 1PM	12 *WATER AEROBICS 9AM *PINOCCHLE 1PM *BIBLE STUDY 1PM *MENS BILLIARDS 1PM *POKER 6PM *BASEBALL DARTS 6:30PM	13 *QUILTERS GROUP 8:30AM *CRIBBAGE 9AM *65 9AM *BRIDGE 9AM *BLNCO 3PM AGGRAVATION 6:30PM (CD)	14 *WATER AEROBICS 9AM *BEGINNERS LINE DANCE 9AM *PINOCCHLE 9AM *POKER 6PM POKER WALK 10AM - NOON	15 *CRIBBAGE 9AM *DIAMOND DOTZ 9AM - NOON *CRIBBAGE 1PM BINGO 6PM (FA)	16 *REGULAR SCHEDULED WEEKLY ACTIVITIES!! MATT BAKER COMEDY STUNT SHOW 7PM	17 *SATURDAY SOCIAL 7:30AM - 9:00AM (FA) *CRIBBAGE 9AM LIVE MUSIC 6:30-9:30pm RUSTY DOUBLE S (LUAU)
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25 *CHURCH 9AM (FA) *PINOCCHLE 1:00PM (CD) *BOWLING 1PM	26 *WATER AEROBICS 9AM *PINOCCHLE 1PM *BIBLE STUDY 1PM *MENS BILLIARDS 1PM *POKER 6PM *BASEBALL DARTS 6:30PM	27 *QUILTERS GROUP 8:30AM *CRIBBAGE 9AM *65 9AM *BRIDGE 9AM *BLNCO 3PM PARK PLAY 7:00PM	28 *WATER AEROBICS 9AM *BEGINNERS LINE DANCE 9AM *PINOCCHLE 9AM *POKER 6PM PARK PLAY 7:00PM	29 *CRIBBAGE 9AM *DIAMOND DOTZ 9AM - NOON *CRIBBAGE 1PM BINGO 6PM (FA)	30 *BRIDGE 8:30AM *WATER AEROBICS 9AM *ADVANCED LINE DANCE 9AM *ELC-RE 12 NOON *MENS BILLIARDS 1PM *CHOIR 2PM	31 *SATURDAY SOCIAL 7:30AM - 9:00AM (FA) *CRIBBAGE 9AM LIVE MUSIC 6:30-9:30pm KOOLTRAXX (REDNECK NIGHT)