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Resort Activities

HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE!!!

May the New Year be kind to you and bring joy, success, good times and new friendships!" The best way I know for that to come true is to get involved in your Desert Shadows Community! There is something going on every day of the week so you can get up out of your comfort zone and join in and meet and make some new friends. We've got cards games, dart games, bingo games, dice games, etc. We have live music, dancing, classes, crafts, church and karaoke. If we don't have an activity that you like, come see me in the Activities Office and I can try and get it started. I hope to see you soon! Donna

CHILI COOK-OFF AND POTLUCK:

Do you make the BEST CHILI in town? Were going to find out! Friday, January 17th at 5pm we will have a Chili Cook-off! I would like you to please sign up in the Activities Office if you want to participate in the Cook-off so I can plan accordingly. There will be 3 categories, Red Chili, Green Chili and White Chili. A winner will be declared for each category and receive a prize. Along with the cook off we will have a potluck dinner.

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

THEATRE GROUP PERFORMANCES: (

The Theatre Group will be performing three "snarky comedic melodramas" this season. Performances are on Tuesday, January 21st at 7:00pm and on Wednesday, January 22nd at 7pm. Come and see what happens to The Big Bad Wolf in "Little Red Riding Hood". See who gets murdered in "Lawyer, Lawyer" and do two sisters survive in "The Perils of Carmen Geditt". You will see all three plays at each performance. Cost is \$5.00 per ticket available in the Activities Office and in the lobby before each performance. Come check out your friends, we've been practicing since October.

SATURDAY SOCIALS:

JOIN US at 7:30am 2 on Saturday mornings, January 4th, January 11th, January 18th and January 25th 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 Frank and Doris still give out great hugs!

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			
Website: www.PhoenixRVresorts.com				
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SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE MUSIC:

January 4th – 3 SPEED BAND (DENIM & DIA-MONDS) 6:30pm – 9:30pm January 11th – SIGNATURE BLEND 6:30pm – 9:30pm January 18th – RUSTY DOUBLE S (PAJAMA PARTY) 6:30pm – 9:30pm

January 25th – CLASSIC JUKEBOX 6:30pm – 9:30pm

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. Please bring your own snacks and refreshments.

CRAFT & VENDORS MARKET:

Friday, January 10th 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! If you are interested in becoming one of our vendors please stop by the Activities Office for details.

Donuts go on sale by 9am in the back auditorium and our *HOT DOGS AND NACHOS will also be available by 10:30am.*

POKER WALK:

The POKER WALKS this month are on Saturday, January 4th and from 10am – noon, and Wednesday, January 15th 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!

BOWLING:

On Sundays at 1pm a group from Desert Shadows go bowling at the Bowling Alley near 59th and Bell. If you are interested or have more questions please contact Barb S. her contact info is on the poster in the Card Room.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL:

Make your own Sundaes will be on Wednesday, January 15TH at 1:30PM in the Front Auditorium. Cost is \$4.00 per sundae.

PAINT & SIP CLASS:

Shellie will be sharing her talents with us again on Sunday,

January 12th at 3:30pm 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. Cost will be \$25.00 for the class and all your painting supplies. You will 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!

TRIVIA NIGHT:

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Test your knowledge at our Trivia Night on **Wednesday, January 8th 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.

VARIETY SHOW MEETING/TRYOUTS:

This years variety show will be on February 18th and 19th. So please start thinking and practicing for the show. Please sign up in the Activities Office or get a hold of Gloria. If you want to help out or be in the show please attend the meeting on *Thursday, January 2nd at 1pm* in the Front Auditorium.

DIAMOND DOTZ:

Every Thursday, from 9am – noon we usually meet in the back auditorium for Diamond Dotz. However, for the month of January we are going to meet in the Craft Room. If the Charity Sewing Group completes their projects before the end of the month we will return to the back auditorium so please watch the white board for updates. Please bring your Diamond Dotz projects or other craft projects to the craft room to work on and socialize. If you are curious what we're working on please stop in and check it out for yourself. We're all happy to show you.

Activities Continued

KARAOKE:

Join Gloria and myself from 6:30pm – 9:00pm on Friday, January 3rd for KARAOKE! Feel free to bring your own snacks and beverages.

Plus Join us on Friday, January 17th for a special Karaoke from 5:30pm to 9:00pm, on the 17th were having a Chili Cook Off and Potluck that starts at 5pm. If you want to participate in the chili cook off please make your best chili for a chance to win. We will have three winners, one in each category. Red chili, green chili and white chili (or other). Please bring enough for as many people to get a sample so they may vote. Plus bring some or another dish to share for the potluck.

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 house. Its ok to let your inner "Rock, Country, Jazz or Blues Singing Star" in you to come out.

"REMEMBER NEIL DAY":

Some of you may remember Neil that rode around on his golf cart and swept the sidewalks. Sweeping the sidewalks and keeping them clear of rocks was his thing, and if we were outside we'd get to visit a bit as well. One of our residents suggested a "Remember Neil Day" and I agree. So let's spread some Desert Shadows friendly, neighborly cheer and on Wednesday, January 8th sweep your sidewalk and a neighbor or two or three!

CHARITY SEWING GROUP:

This year the Charity Sewing Group will be making Veterans Honor Blankets again. They gave out 6 at the Veterans Day Flag Raising and will give out at least 4 more on November 11, 2025. They will be given out to Veterans that reside in our park. Thank you to all that Donated funds at the December 2024 Craft and Vendor Market to assist in making this successful. If you are interested in helping please contact Chris Jewett or Carol King. The Charity Sewing Group will be meeting in the Back Auditorium on Thursday, January 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th to work on these between 9am – noon.

GAME NIGHT:

Tuesday evenings at 6:30pm in the Card Room join us. We alternate playing either Aggravation, Play Nine (GOLF) or Tripoley (bring pennies) and we've now added Card Bingo to the rotation (bring \$3.00). Check the monthly calendar for what is being played. Newcomers are welcome, and if you've never played our veteran residents will help you out. No sign-up is required. *DUE TO THE THEATRE GROUP PERFORMANCES, THERE IS NO GAME NIGHT ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 21st HOPE YOU COME AND PLAY!

BINGO:

Every Thursday Evening 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 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 \$165.00. Let's see how high we can get it this season!

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

Letter From The Editor

TRASH AND UNWANTED ITEMS:

Please refrain from Dumping/Dropping off your garbage and unwanted items on the wall by the garbage dumpster. Leaving those items brings Non-Resident individuals into our park. 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.

PARKING:

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 park policy to avoid them getting a ticket.

We also require Parking Permits on all vehicles. Please get yours at the front office. Thank you!

PETS:

Please remember to clean up after your dogs inside and out of the dog runs. Please do not leave the plastic bag alongside the sidewalks for someone else to pick up, throw them in the garbage cans yourself. FYI the area behind the recycle dumpsters is not a 5^{th} dog run. If you do happen to use this area please throw the plastic doggie bags away instead of leaving them there for someone else to pick up. Thank you for helping keep our Desert Shadows home clean.

NEW FIREPLACE:

Have you noticed our new logs in the lobby's fireplace? Our fireplace got a much needed makeover and we have Dan Loyer to thank. He did a beautiful job updating the logs and cleaning it all up.

Church News

DESERT SHADOWS CHURCH



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

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Can you believe it is 2025!!! As we begin a new year, I pray for peace and health for each resident here. When you made your New Year's resolutions, I hope one goal is to join us on each Sunday at 9am to sing, fellowship, and receive from a powerful message from a guest pastor. Desert Shadows Church is an interdenominational church, and everyone is invited.

Bible study starts January 8 at 1p.m in the back auditorium. Dr. Ed Jarvis will lead the study "STAND UP, SHOW UP AND SUIT UP". Be sure to get your \$5 study guide from Marj or Ed Jarvis to make this study more meaningful.

Church committee meets every Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the back auditorium. We encourage you to join us and see how you can get involved.

Choir practice is every Friday at 2:00 p.m. Jim Bontrager would love to hear all your talent as he directs the choir for Sunday service. Come and see if it is something you want to be a part of, we would love to have you.

On the first Sunday of the month, we celebrate communion and on the last Sunday we have a fellowship time after the service with refreshments. It is a wonderful time to get acquainted with your neighbors.

I hope to see you at church!!

JANUARY 2024

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<u>**LEGEND**</u> FA = FRONT AUDITORIUM BA = BACK AUDITORIUM CD = CARD ROOM CF= CRAFT ROOM			1 HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!	2 DIAMOND DOTZ MEETS IN THE CRAFT ROOM 9AM - NOON CHARITY SEW 9AM BACK AUD. VARIETY SHOW MEETING 1PM (FA) BINGO 6PM (FA)	3 KARAOKE 5:30- 9:00PM (FA)	4 SATURDAY SOCIAL (FA) 7:30AM - 9:00AM POKER WALK 10AM -NOON LIVE MUSIC <u>6:30-9:30pm</u> 3 SPEED BAND (DENM& DAMONDS)
5 Church 9Am (FA) Pindchle 1:00Pm (CD) Bowling 1Pm	6 LADIES CHAT 10:30AM (CD) PINDCHLE 1:DDPM (CD) DARTS 6:30PM (BA)	7 BUNCO 3PM (BA) Aggravation 6:30PM(CD)	8 "REMEMBER NEIL DAY!" BIBLE STUDY 1PM (BA) TRIVIA 7PM (FA)	9 DIAMOND DOTZ MEETS IN THE CRAFT ROOM 9AM - NOON CHARITY SEW 9AM BACK AUD. BINGO 6PM (FA)	10 CRAFT & VENDOR FAIR 10AM - 1PM DONJTS BY 9AM HOT DOGS/NACHOS BY 10:30AM	11 SATURDAY SOCIAL (FA) 7:30AM - 9:00AM LIVE MUSIC <u>6:30-9:30pm</u> Signature elend
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Weekly Activities

Activities with an (*) require you to sign-up in card room.

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MONDAY		FRIDAY
<u>AM</u>		
Water Aerobics w/Leader (POOL)	9:00	<u>AM</u>
Ladies Chat Group (Card)	10:30	Water Aerobics w/Leader (POOL)
		Advanced Line Dancing (FA)
<u>PM</u>		*Bridge (CARD)
Pinochle * (Card) .50	1:00	
Genealogy (BA) 2ND & 4TH MONDAY	1:00	
Baseball Darts (BA)	6:30	<u>PM</u>
Mens Billiards (B)	1:00	Euchre (CARD)
		Choir Practice (FA)
TUESDAY		Men's Billiards (B)
AM		
Quilters (BA)	8:30	<u>SATURDAY</u>
Cribbage * .50 (CARD)	9:00	
65 (CFT)	9:00	AM
PM		Donuts (\$1.50 each)
Bridge * (CARD)	1:00	*AZ Rummy (CARD)
Bunco (BA) bring \$1.00	3:00	Cribbage (CARD)
Game Night (CARD)	6:30	
(Alternate between Aggravation,		<u>PM</u>
Play Nine/Golf, Tripoly and		LIVE MUSIC (FA) 6:30PM to
card bingo.		tickets available in Activities Office
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WEDNESDAY		<u>SUNDAY</u>
AM		AM
Water Aerobics w/Leader (POOL)	9:00	Church (FA) Non-Denominational
Beginners Line Dancing (FA)	9:00	
6 6 7		PM
PM		Pinochle * (Card) .50
Pinochle * (Card) .50	1:00	Bowling
Poker (CFT)	6:00	5
Thirty one (31) card game (CD)	6:30	LEGEND
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THURSDAY		(BA) = BACK AUDITORIUM
		(CARD) = CARD ROOM
<u>AM</u>		(CFT) = CRAFT ROOM
Cribbage * .50 (CARD)	9:00	(POOL) = SWIMMING POOL
Diamond Dotz (BA) or Other Craft	9-Noon	(B) = BILLIARD ROOM
		(BC) = BOCCE COURT
<u>PM</u>		(SBC) = SHUFFLEBOARD COURT
Cribbage * .50 (CARD)	1:00	
Bingo (FA)	6:00	

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6:30PM to in Activities Office and at door

SUNDAY

<u>AM</u> Church (FA) Non-Denominational	9:00
<u>PM</u> Pinochle * (Card) .50 Bowling	1:00 1:00
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