



Desert Crest Community Association

A Senior Community



Lance MacArthur, Earl McMillin and Ray Hendrick



Oscar Yanez



Terri and Greg Williams



The Mystery Lady

President's Message

By Lance MacArthur

Your Board has taken a bold step in cleaning up our park. It has formed what is known as the 2.04 Committee, a reference to Section 2.04 of the CC&Rs dealing with lot maintenance. The committee, currently consisting of Ray Kendrick and Earl McMillan (the Monday recycle guys), will note improperly maintained lots to which the owners will receive a letter detailing the issues and be given a time period to handle the problem(s). If action is not taken, the Board will hire a licensed maintenance/landscape firm to do the work. Upon satisfactory completion of the work, the Board will pay the contractor and bill the owner for the work done plus a fine and service fee. If this is not paid, a claim will be filed with the Riverside Small Claims Court. If a judgment for the Board is made and not paid, a lien will be filed against the property. Violations on the top of the list are dead trees and plants, unregistered and non-running vehicles, and untrimmed palm trees. The untrimmed palms represent both a health and fire hazard, as they harbor rats and other vermin, and if ignited, are extremely hard to extinguish.

I know all of this sounds harsh, but the Park's property values suffer when it looks bad. Some folks need a little persuasion to act responsibly. On the good side, owners are responding positively to the first batch of letters sent out by cleaning up their properties. For those who receive a letter and may be unable

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Board Meeting:

February 5, 2015 2pm
March 5, 2015 2pm
Clubhouse

January/February
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Activities Schedule

Men's Golf-Every Friday

7:30am coffee, 8am start
on the Golf Course

Ladies Golf-Every Tuesday

7:30-7:45am meet, 8am start

**Mixed Doubles-
Every Wednesday**

7:30-7:45am meet, 8am start

**Jack and Jill-
Last Sunday of the month**

November - April
12:30-12:45 meet, 1:00pm

Shuffle Board-

Fun Nights - Every Tuesday
Evening at 6:30pm

Monday morning competition
9:45am meet, 10am start

Fun Club Meetings-

February 2nd
March 2nd
9:00am Coffee & Donuts

Activities Schedule

Fun Club Parties-

January 17, 5pm - 10pm
February 21, 5pm - 10pm
March 21st, 5pm - 10pm

to clean up their property, please contact a board member or a 2.04 Committee member to discuss alternative remedies.

Our newsletter is available through Email to those who would prefer it that way. It comes with full-color pictures and you can adjust the font for easy reading. Also, it would save the Association a bunch of \$\$ by cutting down on postage and printing. If you're not signed up, let me (lmacarth_2000@yahoo.com) or Cheryl McInnes, our newsletter editor (desertcrestnews@gmail.com) know your email address.

Shortly after receiving this newsletter will be the deadline for phone book changes. Please email Mary MacArthur (MaryMac425@yahoo.com) or call her at (750-671-5169) ASAP what changes need to be made. Forms for changes are also available at the office. Deadline for changes is January 15. Last year was a huge improvement in both the quality of print and the number of advertisers for the book. A lot of our advertisers chose color ads and provided nice layouts. I would ask everyone to browse the ads for the services they offer, as they help support the park and many offer discounts for their products or services.

As our park ages, one of the prob-

lems that is coming up more frequently is the condition of the sewer system. Folks have planted trees and shrubs along the easements over the years and the roots have grown and had time to invade the deteriorating pipes. Using unskilled roter services to clean out the pipes can cause additional damage and be quite costly to repair. Talk to our Architectural Committee, the Park Office or your local hardware professionals before using the yellow pages.

But look on the brighter side. We're living in one of the best, most inexpensive parks in the valley. We have world-class amenities and a mix of the nicest people from all over North America. Let's keep it that way.

SPEED IN THE PARK

We have a very dangerous condition in the Park for which we have no remedy. All of the intersections in the park except those on Desert Crest Ave are unmarked for stopping or yielding. We had a wreck last week between a car and a golf cart leaving one person needing medical attention. PLEASE keep your speed down and your eyes open. This time of the year there are more kids, more dogs, more golf carts and more cars, not to mention delivery trucks and workers.



Do you remember this billboard? Photo is of Eldridge Realty at the corner of Palm and Pierson. Eldridge was the original owner-developer of Desert Crest. Thank you Marge Snell for submitting it.

Fun Club Parties

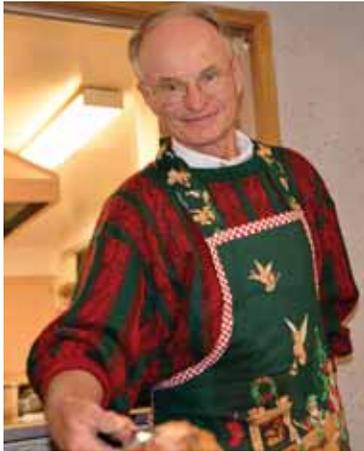


Diane Tonder, Donna Phillips, Susan Woodland and Helen Paquette

Special thanks to Bob Gleich for taking the Fun Club photos and Marian Herbert for picture captions.



Lyn Gleich, Sandra Bush and Bob Gleich



Robin Johnson



Diane Tonder and Janet Gray



Line dancing at the Christmas Party



Bill and Nancy Nunan



Line dancing at the Holloween Party

Coffee &-

Every Wednesday
10:00am - Clubhouse

Happy Hookers-

Every Thursday
10:00am - Clubhouse

Board Meeting-

January 5th
February 5th
March 5th
2pm - Clubhouse

Morning Exercise-

Monday-Saturday
9:00am in the Pool

Emergency Preparedness-

Third Thursday of the Month
1:30pm - Clubhouse

Bunco-

Second Monday
6:00pm Clubhouse

Sign Language-

Every Monday
10:00am

Devotions-

Every Wednesday
7pm

Friday Morning Men's Golf- 2014/15

By John Nielsen - Vice President



The New Year begins with the continuation of men's golf. Weekly play begins at 8am every Friday morning. Be there by 7:30 to sign up and join us for donuts and coffee. There are prizes for closest to the pin and longest putt every Friday.

If you wish to join the club, you must be a resident or renter in Desert Crest. See myself, Ron Grant, Warren Minder, or Ken Holman for how to join.

We are having 4 more tournaments this year coordinated by Dean Cooper. See any of us for details.

Ladder tournament: January 1st – March 15th

String Tournament: January 12th

Tombstone Tournament: February 26th

Horseshoe Tournament: March 19th

Have a healthy and safe New Year.



Arnie Maden

Tuesday Morning Ladies Golf- 2014/15

By Becki Phipps

The Ladies league is teeing off at 8am every Tuesday morning and guests are welcome to join our group anytime for a few laughs and a little exercise. Just contact a club member and she'll make sure you are signed up.

This month, the ladies will hold their One Club tournament on the 22nd. And later in January they will compete in a tournament at Tri-Palms Country Club.

Our local Club Championship Tournament will be held in February, a summation of three days of play, and in March we will host our Invitational Tournament, bringing players from several valley clubs to Desert Crest.

This year's officers are: Becki Phipps, president, Glenda Brady and Joanne Minder, co-vice presidents, Kathy Huey, treasurer and Donna Nunziato, secretary.



Becki Phipps

Anyone having any questions or interested in playing can contact one of the officers or stop by the course on Tuesday mornings.

As the great Ben Hogan said, "Golf is a game of misses. The guy who misses best is going to win."



Shuffleboard 2014-15

By Robin Johnson

While Desert Crest has many recreational options, shuffleboard lends itself well to meeting new people and having fun. With a little practice most everyone is able to play well and enjoy this recreational sport. Turns out that men and women of all ages are able to play well and enjoy the sport. That may explain why many Desert Crest residents have participated as a couple over the years.

A nice feature of shuffleboard is that you can determine your own level of commitment with the variety of scheduled activities. Stop by for Fun Night on a Tuesday night at 6:15. Play for about an hour, visit over coffee and cookies and then play a second game if you choose. Those who wish to play more can attend Club Practice Mondays at 10:00 a.m. You can also sign up to play other clubs on Wednesdays and Thursdays. There are many tournaments and other fun events open to your participation throughout the Coachella Valley. Ronny McMillan placed third in the Singles Tournament this season.



Shuffleboard practice



Not only is Desert Crest Shuffleboard Court the largest indoor court in the valley, but also the California Shuffleboard Association's District 5 chooses Desert Crest to host its season finale, The Tournament of Champions, on the first week of March. Several Desert Crest residents have qualified and play in this championship every year. Chuck and Jan Maynard have won it in past years and Val McDougal won it in an exciting match last year.

Ron Grant, Club President, welcomes all to take part in this fun activity. Robin Johnson, Vice President, and Fred Molyneux, a Fun Club organizer, are always eager to teach newcomers the art of the game on Tuesday nights. Club membership is only \$5 per year.

From the Newsletter Editor

By Cheryl McInnes

25mph

THE SPEED LIMIT IN THE PARK IS 25 MILES AN HOUR.

To reinforce Lance's message. Once you enter the park from Dillion Road, all vehicles including cars and golf carts need to SLOW DOWN. We need to be careful of those walking around. It has been observed that vehicles are driving too fast, driving through stop signs or speeding through uncontrolled cross streets. Caution should be taken when approaching any intersection, - you do not have the right away. Slow down and look, better yet, stop and look. We had an accident last week. Please for your sake and others slow down.

Walking your pets

It's time to take responsibility for your pet, We now have one bag dispenser at the southeast corner of the park. Hopefully this will help the dog owners to pick up after their dog. Unfortunately we have a problem in the park. And this is mostly around the desert edge. I'm not saying everyone doesn't pick up after their animals, but we do have a problem. Owners of the homes on the edge have tried to put up signs asking to please clean up after the pets. It really is an eyesore and health hazard to take a walk and see this.

Dumping Trash in the Desert

The area around us is private property, and it does not belong to DCCC. It is a living entity and people are using it as a garbage dump. Dragging your tree cuttings, or any garden waste into the desert, is wrong. Burrtec will take it away if you put it in your trash can. If for some reason you can't - there are people you can hire to take it away.

**Morning
Exercise
Monday
thru
Saturday
9am**



Mixed Play For Fun

Sign up for mixed play in the hallway by the golf office. You will find it in the building just off the first tee.



Mixed Doubles and Jack & Jill are played in the scramble format. Men and women form a team and use the best ball of each turn. The play goes faster and everyone gets to contribute to the team's success. A small entry fee provides money for the closest to the pin and the longest put. Men and women compete for these prizes on separate holes.

Play Mixed Doubles every Wednesday morning

Couples who stop by Wednesday mornings are matched with another couple. Enjoy the camaraderie of low stress play.

Play Jack and Jill the last Sunday of every month.

Play starts at 1:00 pm, the last Sunday of the month. Couples or singles come for the low key camaraderie. Contact Joanne Minder at (760) 251-8741

Fun Club

By Ronnie McMillin

Well it's another New Year!

Who would have thought.

I want to thank Ray Kendrick our past president for all the things that have been accomplished in the last three years. We've had great dinner parties, entertainment and great food catered by our friends in the park and by Jeri Ortega.

Lynn Waterman has been our treasurer for 7 years and Marian Herbert has been our secretary for the past 6 years. Earl McMillin vice-president for 3 years and Loraine Kjeldsli 2nd vice-president for 2 years.

Remember all of these folks are volunteers and it takes time and effort to put it all together. Selling tickets for the dinner dances by Madeline Johnson, Mary MacArthur, Marcia Gravelle, and many more, making the punch by Jan and Will Purvis, and Helene Kukola making the special punch for New Year's Eve, buying the wine and champagne by Ann Marie Good, the boys that make the margarita's Roy Boggs, Roger Meyer, Doug Grey to name a few. And don't forget all who help clean up....it takes an army. Remember our next dinner party is January 17th hosted by Bob and Lyn Gleich so purchase your tickets soon.

And we can't forget all the volunteers who have helped decorate the club house these past years. Hugs to all the volunteers.

Many others should have their names mentioned because without the past we have no future.

So I give a big thanks to All of you. Looking forward to the new year. Happy New Year everyone!



Decorating for the Halloween Party

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE CLUB HOUSE?

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Community Auction January 8, 2015

Food served at 4:00
Auction at 6:00

Sponsored by Recycle/Auction Committee

Park Patrol Meeting - January 15th - 1:30 pm

Cops On Patrol - Speaker

Refreshments served

Sponsored by Emergency Preparedness Committee

Pet Photo Shoot January 23rd - 1:30 pm By the Library

We'll take a picture of you and your pet for the Pet Registry Book

Sponsored by Emergency Preparedness

First Aid and CPR/AED Class January 31-10:00 am to 4:30 pm

Taught by the American Red Cross

Call (760) 285-9645 to sign up

Reservations are necessary

Sponsored by Emergency Preparedness

Neighborhood Watch Meeting February 19, 2015 - 1:30 pm

Identify Theft --- Speaker

Refreshments Served

Sponsored by Emergency Preparedness Committee



Desert Crest Red Hatters Fabulous Fashion Show Great Job Ladies



Back row L to R Amy Marcus, Terri Williams, Kathryn Whitlock, Diane Herbert, Carol Churchill, Jifka Driessen, Nancy Nunan, Sue Schulz, Sandy Moretti, Dianne Molyneux, Loreine Kjeldsli, Gloria Schneider. Front row L to R Gail Woods, Marian Herbert, Darline Clements (Queen Mother), Kaye Polatary (owner of RV Casuals), Linda Reeck, and Joy Nettles



Marian (MC) and Darline



Sandy and Amy



Loraine and Dianne



Gloria and Diane

90+ Club This Year

90

William (Nick) Nichols
Peter Tadej
Wallace Thayer

91

John Bilbro
Roy Boggs
Michael Cavaretta
Chana Niederman
Bonnie Young

92

Calvin Hartnell
Shirley Hartnell
Margaret Pennington
Russ Snell

93

Dorsett Feyen
Maymie Germany

94

Grace Cafferky
Andrew Haynal
Mae Horner
Frank Romano

95

Arthur Alt
Allen Remillard

96

Donald Hobkirk

97

98

Rachael Beer

99

Sara Tauber

100+ Club This Year

100

Anita Kovich
Mike Kovich

103

Rose Danfifer

*If I missed someone, my apologies,
please let me know and I will add
them to the list.*

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE

By Emergency Preparedness Committee

Few Californians have experienced a major San Andreas earthquake. In Northern California, the last major earthquake was 100 years ago, in 1906. In Southern California, the last major earthquake on the San Andreas fault was 150 years ago, in 1857, rupturing the fault from Central California to San Bernardino. Further south along the San Andreas fault, from San Bernardino through the Coachella Valley to the Salton Sea, over 300 years have passed since the last earthquake, around 1680. Another major earthquake is likely to happen within our lifetime, and will shake all of Southern California. What you can do to prepare yourself:

Supplies to keep on hand as recommended by FEMA:

1 gallon of water per person, per day for at least seven days

At least a seven day supply of non-perishable food

Battery-powered radio and extra batteries

Flashlight and extra batteries

First aid kit

Whistle, to signal for help

Filter mask or cotton t-shirt to help filter the air

Moist towelettes for sanitation

Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities

Manual can opener

Plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter-in-place

Garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation

Unique family needs, such as daily medications and important family documents

PLEASE BE PREPARED

Board Officers

President	Lance MacArthur
Vice President	Nancy Nunan
Secretary	Madeline Johnson
Treasurer	Lynn Waterman
Director	Bob Gleich
Director	Robin Johnson
Director	Terri Williams

DID YOU KNOW?

- I know you know that storing an adequate supply of water is imperative for emergency preparedness but did you know that drinking water at certain times of the day maximizes its effect on your body?
- Tips from a cardiac specialist:
- 2 glasses of water after waking up – helps activate internal organs
- 1 glass of water 30 minutes before a meal – helps digestion
- 1 glass of water before taking a bath – helps lower blood pressure
- 1 glass of water before going to bed – avoids stroke or heart attack
- Drinking water at bedtime will also help prevent nighttime leg cramps
- Drinking an adequate amount of water helps to flush toxins from your body.

Recycle News



Ray and Earl are still picking up recycle on Monday mornings. Please set aside all aluminum cans, beer & coke bottles and all CRV plastic in a garbage bag or box. Place it away from Burretec trash and recycle. Proceeds go to the Recycle Committee which is administered by the Fun Club. As you know, except for the summer months, this team collects recycle items every Monday morning, turns them into cash and all monies spent to benefit the residents of Desert Crest. Other projects are being considered so please come forth with your ideas and suggestions.

COMMUNITY AUCTION

Please plan on attending the Annual Community Auction being held on January 8, 2015. Bring your donations to the club house on the morning of January 8, 2015 or call Ray Kendrick, (909) 936-3591 or Earl McMillin, (360) 921-7793 for curbside pickup. Starting at 4:00 pm, buyers can check out the merchandise and have a choice of all beef or vegetarian hot dogs, fries, or chicken strips to purchase for an early supper. This fund raising event is being sponsored by the Recycle/Auction Committee and your donations are greatly appreciated.

Pet Photos

Bring your pet to the side of the library on Friday, JANUARY 23, 2015, at 1:30pm, where we will be set up to take a picture of you with your pet for entry into **The Pet Safety Program**. The pet registry will be helpful should you pet become lost in the park or if you and you pet become separated during an emergency situation.

FREE OF CHARGE

SPONSORED BY THE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE

Need Work Done?

The following list is of people that have worked in the park. The goal is to save our park people from being taken advantage of and save them money with quality work.

Earl McMillin & Trach Zaske
They do it all, Kitchen, Baths, Foundation level, roofs. Any need you have call us.

Not Licensed or Bonded, have specialist for major projects.

Earl (360)921-7793

Tracy (360)281-7387

Aladdin Supply Co.

Windows, Awnings, etc.

Licensed and Bonded

Mr. Andy (760)427-3853

Bruce Calligan

Plumbing

Licensed and Bonded

(760)329-0637

Jose Cardenas

Electrical and Paint

No License but good work

(760)567-1763

Jorge (George) Garcia

Landscape Services

General Handyman

Has many contacts

No License but good work

(760)250-9178

Cadd Works, Inc

General Contracting

Fernando & Felipe Martinez

General Construction

Has many contacts

Licensed and Bonded

(760)275-4664

Lives Remembered

Gibby Kessler 1936 - 2014

Gibby passed away on December 14, 2014. Gibby lived on Morning-side and was a frequent visitor to the pool. He also liked to visit with his friends for dinner at the VFW. Gibby was also an avid golfer.

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