



# AIRE TIME



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MARCH 2018

## DESERT AIRE ACTIVITIES

### **ART IN THE PARK**

Friday, March 2, 2018

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. - Auditorium

This is a show of the talented neighbors who live in Desert Aire!

### **PANCAKES**

Saturday, March 3, 2018

7:30 a.m. - Auditorium

Cost \$3.50 each

Please sign up in advance on the Bulletin Board. Bring money, cup and silverware.

### **SATURDAY NIGHT ALIVE**

Saturday, March 3, 2018

7:00 pm Auditorium

Pajama Party and Karaoke Night

### **CAN/AM EXTRAVAGANZA**

Sunday, March 4, 2018

2:00 p.m. - Lot Fore

See Bulletin Board for more information.

### **YARD SALE**

Monday, March 5, 2018

9:00 a.m. to Noon

Time to clean house before going home for the summer!

### **OPEN BOARD MEETING**

Tuesday, March 6, 2018

10:00 a.m. - Auditorium

### **HAMBURGERS**

Thursday, March 8, 2018

11:45 a.m. - Auditorium/Patio

Cost: \$3.50 each

Please sign up on the Bulletin Board

### **CONCERT - PELLETIER**

Thursday, March 8, 2018

7:00 p.m. - Auditorium

Cost: \$10.00 each

### **ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTIONS**

Saturday, March 10, 2018

10:00 a.m. - Auditorium

This is the last meeting of the season, so come out and support Desert Aire!

### **SPRING CONCERT**

Sunday, March 11, 2018

7:00 p.m. - Auditorium

### **DONUTS**

Saturday, March 17, 2018

7:30 a.m. - Auditorium

Please bring your own cup and small change for donuts and coffee. This is the last Donuts of the season.

### **ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY**

Saturday, March 17, 2018

4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. - Clubhouse Patio

Green Beer and wine & celebrations

### **ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER/DANCE**

Saturday, March 17, 2018

5:30 p.m. - Auditorium

### **JACK & JILL GOLF TOURNAMENT**

Sunday, March 18, 2018

8:00 a.m. - Palm Royale CC

Tee off time is 8:30 a.m. Please sign up on the Bulletin Board. Watch the Bulletin Board for more information.



**BON VOYAGE PARTY**

Thursday, March 22, 2018

5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Clubhouse Patio

Please bring appetizers to share, beverages will be provided. Come and say Goodbye to your friends and neighbors!

**DESERT AIRE NEWS****MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

By Hope Hilliard, President Desert Aire Board

It has been wonderful to see so many activities, there is certainly something for everyone to enjoy both here at Desert Aire and in the Valley. I am overwhelmed by the number of volunteers that help make our Activities run so smoothly. Our volunteers range from those that have volunteered for many years, to those that are relatively new renters. The seamless way the work is shared and the many laughs and friendships that are formed, form the core of our friendly and caring community.

While the pace of activities is at a peak, the Buildings and Grounds crew are also in high gear. I am not sure how we can thank those that so quickly respond to any issue that comes up, from a simple door hinge to a major leak. Here too, we have long time owners with a wealth of knowledge, to relatively new renters that give so much of their time. Their contribution not only adds to our community, it also adds to the collective value of our park.

As the board of directors is also busy working through a number of decisions, in February we decided to ask all homeowners and renters for their opinions in our "Hot Topic Discussion Groups". Thanks to everyone that came out, emailed their comments and stopped us on the streets to pass on their comments. Our plan is to summarize the common threads and develop decisions that reflect what we feel will address the majority of homeowners.

Watch for the next Hot Topics, from the feedback we received, this was a worthwhile process and we will continue in March.

**MESSAGE FROM CAROLYN**

By Carolyn Quintana, Community Association Manager

**BALLOTS**

Just a friendly reminder to bring your ballots to the office so we can be assured that we have a quorum and can proceed with our Annual Meeting. Thanks to those of you who have already dropped off your ballots.

**HOMEOWNER INFORMATION SHEETS FOR THE 2018-2019 DIRECTORY**

It's that time of year again when we are gathering the homeowner information to be updated in the Desert Aire 2018-2019 Directory. You will receive a homeowner information sheet in your mailbox. Please take the time to fill it out and return it to the office. Even though we may have your correct information from last year we still need the completed form to just double check the directory. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

**MINUTES DESERT AIRE OPEN BOARD MEETING** - By Judy Bailey, Secretary DA Board**DATE:** February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018**TIME:** 10:00 AM

**PRESENT:** Hope Hilliard, President; Judy Bailey, Secretary; Anne King, Treasurer; Brian Dolsen, Director; Pam Laird, Director; OTHERS PRESENT: Carolyn Quintana, Community Association Manager

**INTRODUCTION:**

Hope reminded the residents that according to California Law, there must be a vote for the Board of Directors even if the candidates were elected by acclamation.

She stated that there have been many sales of

lots and homes. Rentals are difficult to find for the 2018 – 2019 season.

On February 16<sup>th</sup> the Board will have a Hot Topics event. This will be in the form of small discussion groups to talk about recent issues in the park.

**SECRETARY’S REPORT:** Judy Bailey

The minutes of January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018 were approved. Seconded by Pam Laird.

**TREASURER’S REPORT:** Anne King

Anne thanked the Finance Committee.

The December 31<sup>st</sup> financial statements are being reviewed by the Finance Committee. This shows that there is more revenue than projected. The operating expenses are higher than 2017, but less than a deficit than projected. The combination of extra revenue with less expense means that the yearend will have an operating deficit of \$28,296 which is less than projected.

The report was approved and seconded by Judy Bailey

**MANAGEMENT REPORT:** Carolyn Quintana

Carolyn reminded us to take our ballots for the election to the office.

She also reminded us to submit nominations for the Outstanding Service Award.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Pam Laird gave a report on the Comfort/Emotional Support animal issue. The board is in the process of finalizing a policy and would like input from homeowners. *The definition of a Comfort/Emotional support animal is: an animal that provides comfort or support for a person with medical or emotional disability.*

“Desert Aire has a No Pet Policy. Federal and State law requires that Comfort/Emotional support animals be accommodated and in so

doing, the following rules must be followed. Failure to comply will result in loss of privileges and a fine as set out by the Board of Directors.”

Pam gave a preliminary list of rules. These will be discussed at the Hot Topics discussion groups on February 16<sup>th</sup>.

Must provide proper documentation to park manager from a qualified medical health professional. This document should include the doctor’s license number, date of issue and signature. It should also confirm the need for an emotional/comfort animal.

Must provide a letter from your veterinarian confirming dates of rabies and distemper shots. This letter needs to include veterinarian license number, when issued, state license number and signature.

1. Animal is only permitted within the boundaries of the owner’s lot. When off the owners’ property animal must be held.
2. Animal not permitted in common areas.
3. No barking, whining or other aggressive behaviors or other attributes that disturb the peaceful use and enjoyment of others in the park.
4. Indoor feeding required due to rodents.
5. Must clean up after animal.
6. Owner responsible for any damage caused by the animal.
7. Fines will be applied to any policy infractions.
8. Fraudulent use of emotional animal designation will not be tolerated and maximum fines will apply.

**ACTIVITIES:** Pam Laird

ER for a treadmill \$3,209.87. Seconded by Judy.

ER for an Elliptical \$2046.18. Seconded by

Judy.

June Cavendish, Activities Chair gave her report and stated that many activities need new chairpersons and new members next season for the following activities: Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners, Christmas dance, Fashion Show. She thanked Carol Malcolm and Marie Bailey for their work as purchasing agents and they are stepping down. Therefore, two people are needed for next season.

**EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS:** Pam Laird

ER for \$3209.95 for two AED defibrillators to be placed in A and B laundries. Seconded by Brian.

Len Keller, Chairperson, thanked Cheryl Boyer for her work. The CPR classes are full. He also is stepping down and there is a need for be a new Chair. He pointed out the display of necessary supplies that should be had for emergencies.

**REAL ESTATE:** Brian Dolsen

Donna Irvine gave a report from Mark Monaco, Real estate agent, who was unable to attend. He thanked the volunteers for their work at the open houses. He stated that there have been 27 showings; offers on 4 and 2 are in Escrow at this time. For renting, there have been 21 showings for next season. There are currently 33 for sale through the RE office and many more by owners.

**BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:** Brian Dolsen

Don Hammond reminded us of the water outage tomorrow (Wednesday) so that the main pipe in B Section could be repaired. He told us that water is bubbling up in lower B pond and is in need of repair.

The committee is looking a buying a new tractor.

Trees are continuing to be pruned.

**ARCHITECTURAL:** Judy Bailey

Barb Eggiman gave a review of the A/C. She stated that there are 5 members who review 5 -8 Work orders each week. That they are looking at Continuity and Consistency with the past history, and that they communicate with the homeowners to explain and understand their work orders.

**LANDSCAPE AND DESIGN:** Hope Hilliard for Kurt Neumann

Nancy Clark reported that they are working with Buildings and Grounds and the Space Allocation committees. They are working on enhancing the entrance gardens and the patio gardens.

Problems with water runoff from properties onto hard surfaces are still happening and there is a help list in the office that homeowners can sign to get assistance to solve their problem.

**SECURITY:** Brian Dolsen for John Sullivan

ER for \$350 for upholstery for the golf cart. Seconded by Pam.

**CONSERVATION:** John Sullivan

No report

**MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS:** Hope Hilliard

ER \$1,071.30 for replacement signs. Seconded by Pam.

**SPACE ALLOCATION:** Hope Hilliard

Vicki Bussey gave an update and introduced members: Sue Adams, Jackie Burrell, June Cavendish, Bill Wilson, Jerry Page, and Cheryl Boyer. They will have a survey soon and then proposals will be made to the Board. She asked for ideas for the patio to make are more user friendly.

**NOMINATIONS:** Hope Hilliard

Colleen Crewdson, Karen Such and Carol Peterson introduced the 3 candidates for the Board of Directors: Judy Bailey, June Cavendish and Barry Rutz. Each person gave a short speech.

**HOME OWNER'S OPEN FORUM:**

From the last meeting:

Entrance fountain is being repaired.

Road cracks – this will be done during the summer.

Speakers:

1. Dan Malcolm, lot 25. Reminder of the Valentines dance.
2. Bill Sinclair, lot 111. Spoke about Sli.do.com, a new interactive question and answer tool that will be on the DA website. Questions can be asked through this instead of during a meeting. He also asked that Lot Fore be maintained suitable for golf.
3. Tom Stewart, Lot 71. Explained that there is now commercial equipment in the gym and that it is more suitable for park use.
4. Grant Hilliard, lot 5. There was an attempt to steal the trailer from the storage area, and reminded us to lock up our moveable objects.
5. Stan Miller, lot 11. He asked that the workshop be cleaned up thoroughly after use and to turn off the fan. Please use the tools for the purpose intended and to sign out equipment.
6. Bob Petrie, lot 156. He thanked the people that pruned the rose garden by his house. He asked that the hedges on the outside wall and Lot Fore be trimmed.

**NEW HOMEOWNERS:**

#185 Durdel, Becky and Gary, from Newburg, Oregon

**CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

1. HOT TOPICS: Hope spoke about the new forum that will be on February 16<sup>th</sup> from 10:30 until noon. There will be an email to homeowners and residents to explain and remind them.

Topics will be:

- a. Nine month rule – should we adjust the qualification date? Or?
- b. Emotional/ comfort animals
- c. Short term rentals – for concert goers, families, friends?

Hope thanked Bill Sinclair for his work in setting up [Sli.go.com](http://Sli.go.com). This is a link to meetings to ask questions and get answers.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 11:07AM

**ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE**

By June Cavendish, Chair

It's hard to believe that March is here and everyone will be heading home soon. Activities has again put together a full calendar of events for your enjoyment. Art in the Park which is the annual show for residents to show their craft or hobbies will be Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Auditorium from 1:00-3:00 p.m. The last pancakes of the season will be served on Saturday the 3<sup>rd</sup>. So get signed up. In addition to the good food you will get to see all the quilts that have been made for the Linus Project. Saturday Night Alive will be that evening at 7:00 p.m. More details are in the newsletter. On Sunday will be the annual Can/Am Extravaganza on Lot Fore at 2:00 p.m. Come down and cheer for your teams. The annual spring yard sale will be March 5<sup>th</sup>, so get your sheds cleaned out. Hamburgers will be the 8<sup>th</sup> so don't forget to sign up. That evening will be a concert at 7:00 pm in the auditorium by Freddie and Sheila Pelletier.

The spring concert by our local voices will be on Sunday at 7:00 p.m, March 11<sup>th</sup>. The annual

“Green Beer Party” on March 17<sup>th</sup> will be on the patio from 4:00-5:00 p.m. Green beer and wine will be furnished by the Activities Committee. Please BYOB for the dinner/dance that will start at 5:30 p.m. Matt Jenkins will furnish the music and corn beef and cabbage will be served for the dinner. Tickets are still available for \$20.

Jack and Jill will have their last event on Sunday March 18<sup>th</sup>. Sign up sheets will be on the golf bulletin board. To end the month will be our Bon Voyage Party on the patio on March 22<sup>nd</sup> from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. Please bring appetizers to share. Beverages will be provided. Come join the fun.

Remember that all our great events are made possible because of our wonderful volunteers. We are in the process of putting the activities together for next year and need chairmen for the following events – Halloween Party, Thanksgiving Dinner, Christmas Dinner, Christmas Dance and the New Eve’s Party. If you would like to chair one of these please contact me.

### **ART IN THE PARK**

By Sharon McAuliff, Coordinator

Art in the Park is an annual event for many talented people to showcase their wares. It’s open to all Desert Aire owners and renters. Tables are free. If you would like to sell your work, you may.

So circle your calendar for March 2, 2018 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Get your items together, reserve a table for all to enjoy your wonderful talents.

To arrange to become an exhibitor, or if you would like more information, contact Sharon McAuliff, Lot 3 at 509-699-0643.

### **SATURDAY NIGHT ALIVE**

By Donna Laughton, Coordinator

March 3 - 7:00 p.m. in the Auditorium - Pajama Party and Karaoke Night. Find your best pj's or housecoat and join us for Desert Aire's Pub

Night. This is not a lingerie party, but a comfortable lounging outfit event. Teddy bears and fuzzy slippers are welcome. We have an excellent selection of Karaoke songs and some very talented singers. Will you be our next star? Come join the fun at our last Saturday Night Alive of the season. We will have our world famous popcorn, games and 50/50 draw. Bring your own beverage of choice to enjoy. It is an excellent opportunity (and cheap) to spend an evening with neighbors and friends in a pub atmosphere.

Thank you to all who have come out to our events and helped make them a success, and to all our hard workers on the committee.

### **ARCHITECT COMMITTEE**

By Barb Eggiman, Chair

At the February Open Board Meeting, the Architectural Committee shared the process that is used when reviewing a request for change from a home owner. Here’s a written description of that process.

The Five “C’s” of the Architectural Committee (AC)

1. Committee – The five members of the AC meet weekly during the months of November through March of the winter season. We process between 5-10 work orders each week. To be a part of the AC, each member must be an owner.
2. Continuation – History has a place in our committee. We discuss what’s been approved in the past and apply that knowledge to new ideas. We want to keep moving forward through changes that compliment the current while keeping a continuation of history in our view.
3. Continuity – As a committee, we look at each rule and discuss the options for interpretation. We see the value in agreeing with one interpretation to keep a consistent existence of these subjective rules.

4. Communication – We are out in the park to serve each home owner. We communicate with owners to explain, define, and apply the rules to their individual and sometimes unique requests for changes.
5. Consistency – Each week we discuss the work orders by applying logic and fairness to the requested change. We keep the conformity of the rules when deciding to approve or disapprove a work order.

Please continue to up-grade your lot. We all benefit from changes that are new and refreshing.

Barb Eggiman, and the members of the Architectural Committee can be reached at: DAarchitectural15@gmail.com

### **BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE**

Don Hammond, Chair

Where has the winter gone? Building and Grounds continues to work on projects large and small. We are currently working to find and correct a leak in the Hot Tub, plugging a huge leak in the western pond, and creating new frames for the gates to the satellite pools fencing so that the fencing can be refurbished and stabilized plus the never-ending list of lesser projects around the facility.

Again, I want to thank the many volunteers that give freely of their time to make sure that our facility continues to serve us. Whether it is by participating as part of a team when big projects need added muscle or simply see a need and take care of it without ado. I particularly want to recognize three renters for their volunteerism in the maintenance of park facilities; Dave Haines, Ted Anderson, and Adriano Del Casino. Dave, has been with us for several years, is very capable and works 7 days a week on our pools insuring that the water quality is proper and the equipment is functioning. After being a part of us for several years, Ted missed last year, but arrived this year with his welding helmet, grinder and gloves ready to go to work. After repairing

one of our utility trailers, he has been working on the new gate frames for the satellite pools. Ted worked for 30 years at the Bremerton Naval shipyard as a welder and management and then had his own welding and fab business. Adriano, in his second year with us, says that he is so thankful to have the wood shop, that on his own he decided to clean the shop, clean and adjust tools and equipment and otherwise sort and organize the shop. It has been a long time since the shop has looked this cared for. Please thank these fellows for giving us the benefit of their expertise.

### **EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE**

Len Kellar, Chair

The Mission of the Emergency Response Team is to educate Desert Aire homeowners and renters on how to be prepared in case of a disaster, i.e.: a major earthquake. To accomplish this the team is looking for volunteers with organizational skills, medical, construction, CERT, training and/or communication backgrounds. We can also use members to help in search and liaison positions. Interested?? See me at Lot 322 or call 360-259-6922.

### **LANDSCAPE & DESIGN COMMITTEE**

By Nancy Clarke, Co-Chair

This season is quickly winding down. Our committee is continuously facing new opportunities and challenges as we try to reestablish our purpose & goals as a committee.

Gardens are finally blossoming in this bizarre weather. Alfonso and his crew have been attending to the gardens and pruning where need be. Finally, the roses are starting to bloom. Hopefully, next season we will be ahead of the game and have more attractive rose blossoms. Sincere thanks to the volunteers: (Neal Cronk, Dan Spino, John Rumsey, Doug Libsey, Gordon & Laverne Sharp, Maurice Fitzgerald, Mark Wilson, John Barry, David Busby and Bill Clarke) who assisted with the digging and planting of

over 30 new rose bushes, behind the curved walls in Section A and Section B. These new bushes are a welcome addition.

The "Goal" of our committee is to keep our park current, by enhancing the grounds. Evidence of this can be seen in all the projects we have completed over these past few years. We have had an abundance of very positive feedback about the transition. We are currently looking at options to enhance the raised garden around the patio area and the stretch along Avenue 49, outside the gate.

If anyone is thinking of placing a memorial plaque, in memory of a loved one, on the Memorial Wall, there are forms in the office, for you to start this process.

If you are wanting some ideas as to enhance your property with landscaping, please feel free to contact myself or Glenda Klein, Co Chair of this committee. We have some very creative people on our committee who would be glad to offer some suggestions.

The Landscape & Design Committee continues to be enthused about future planning for this park. I wish to thank the members of our committee who have volunteered to oversee various projects. I am so appreciative of their dedication and support this season.

To those in the community who will be travelling home, I wish you safe travelling. Keep well & keep safe.

*Quote: We never know the worth of water till the well is dry.*

## MARKETING & COMMUNICATIONS

By Susan Langin, Chair

If you ask people who are new to the park how they found out about Desert Aire, a great many say it was our website ([www.desertaireresort.com](http://www.desertaireresort.com)). The park is full, with renters scrambling to find a place for next season, and there have been quite a few sales. These are the positive results of our efforts to

market our park and help people find us. Of course word of mouth is our top marketing tool, so keep spreading the word to your family and friends about our very special community here in the desert.

Over 400 people are receiving "Desert Aire E-News," email blasts that provide timely information to the Desert Aire community. If you are not receiving eblasts currently, just go to our website to sign up.

## SECURITY COMMITTEE

By Gordon Klein, Chair

I am happy to report that security issues in the Park continue to be low activity. The security team is currently working with Buildings and Grounds to address some ongoing concerns at the entrance to the Maintenance buildings.

We have been attending meetings with representatives from Golden Voice and the local police departments to address our Park's concerns for security during the music festivals that will be coming up in April. We are encouraged that Golden Voice is willing to work with us on these issues.

Your Security Team continues to do nightly drive arounds looking for suspicious activity and to ensure that homeowners are lighting up their places. We continue to remind you to lock sheds and bikes.

Security phone numbers are listed in your directory for your convenience to report any suspicious activity that you observe.

Thank you for doing your part to keep our Park safe.





## SPACE ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

By Vicki Bussey, Chair

The long awaited survey will be out this week. It will come to you by email. If you are unable to receive it way, you can pick up a paper copy in the office or email Caroline and she will email you directly. We are looking forward to getting your input and ideas on improvements to our beautiful winter home.

## QUILTER'S CORNER

By Kaye Salley, Quilter

A HUGE thank you to all who enjoyed the Spaghetti Dinner and Auction. It was fun to have Tom Deebach as a live auctioneer. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped. Thanks also for donation items for the baskets and silent auction items.

The total funds for our group was approximately \$4,000.

Donations have been designated to the Coachella Mission, \$1,000

The City of Indio police department sponsor a Cadet Program and an after school program, \$500 each

Galilee Center, \$500. This organization has an emergency fund to help seniors and children with expenses and is opening a new center for the migrant workers.

The remainder of the funds are used for supplies to continue making quilts.

February 19 we are doing our quilt bee and hope to have as many, if not more, quilts completed than last year.

## WHAT IS PROJECT LINUS????

A non-profit organization to provide love, a sense of security, warmth and comfort to children who are seriously ill, traumatized, or otherwise in need through gifts of new, handmade blankets, and



afghans, lovingly created by volunteer "blanketeers."

Most children receive a Project Linus blanket through a local hospital, shelter, or other agency. There are about 15 agencies in the Coachella Valley that distribute blankets.

Sewing machines are available for anyone to use in the Quilt Room. If you are a quilter and find free time on your hands, all the fabric and tools necessary to make a quilt for donation are available in the Quilt room.

Safe travels as some members of our park will be heading home in March.

## TIDY WHITEY UNDERWEAR CHALLENGE

The Desert Aire Quilters are sponsoring the "TIDY WHITEY UNDERWEAR CHALLENGE" to support the Coachella Mission.

We need all sizes, men's undershorts, women's bras and panties, and children's underwear as well as socks for all ages.

Collection boxes will be in the office and the quilt room. So as you are shopping pick up some underwear--check out the clearance bins and discount stores.

We challenge everyone to bring in some underwear--we'd like to collect a minimum of 500 pieces--that's about one item per person in the park.

## THIS 'N THAT

By Susan Langin, Coordinator

Some key events happening in March:

1. March 1, 5-6:00 - First Thursday concert at the La Quinta Museum (Rose Mallett, jazz singer)
2. March 1-4 - La Quinta Arts Festival
3. March 5-18 - BNP Paribas Open Tennis Tournament; free admission March 5 & 6 during qualifying.



**HIKING**

By Tom Stewart, Coordinator

It has been a great season for hiking in the park. There has been an average of 20-24 hikers each time leaving on Thursdays @ 8 am from the clubhouse parking lot. There has been a lot of new faces who have joined a core group of hikers. Hiking will continue until the end of the March. Sign up on the info sheet on the clubhouse bulletin board. The hikes are usually of the moderate level averaging 6 miles in & out. Come & enjoy the day with great views & friendly people.

**EXERCISE ROOM**

By Tom Stewart, Coordinator

The exercise room has seen an increase in usage over the past 2 seasons with many new owners & renters taking advantage of the equipment. Thanks to the Board who have implemented the purchase of commercial use equipment for the room. As a result there are 3 new pieces of equipment, 2 treadmills & 1 elliptical machine. We ask everyone who is using the room to please take care of the equipment by cleaning it after use & leaving the room as you found it when you leave. Sometimes the fans, TV are left on, & the keys are not taken out of the treadmills. The bicycles shut down by themselves after use. Thank you for your cooperation & continue to enjoy the facility.

**BILLIARDS**

By Howard Davis, Coordinator

Another successful 8 ball tournament was held over 2 days in February. Last year's champ, Calvin Cosens, retained his title by defeating John Randal. Lots of upsets made for interesting matches. A special nod to Annette Cosens for being the sole female contestant!

Thanks to everyone who came out to play.

**2018 VALENTINE DINNER/DANCE**

By Dan & Carol Malcolm, Coordinators

A thank you from Dan & Carol Malcolm and Teddy and Mark Wilson. We want to thank

everyone that helped make the Valentine Dinner/Dance a great success:

- Starting with the posters being made by Dorothy Jones.
- The decorations on the wall by Alice Lewis, Sheryl Coleman and crew
- Meat preparation by Jim Wurzer, Mark Wilson, Herm Mitzel, Lloyd Swanson, Dave Kallal, Bob Petrie and crew who took over for Bill Galbraith.
- Potatoes preparation by Simone Wurzer, Carol Green and Marilyn Kopernick and crew who took over for Anita Galbraith.
- Carrot preparation by Lou Bailey, Marcia O'Loughlin, Wanda Green, Sue Del Casine, Judy Beadle and crew.
- Salad preparation by all the ladies crew.
- Desert preparation by Gail and Vern Machan, Judy and Richard Jinnings, Pat Tetrault, Rose Foster, Wendy Livesey and crew.
- Ticket takers Dede Hurford and Sue Carpenter.
- All the miscellaneous work done by Dan Malcolm, Tim Kopernick, Louise Paige, Teddy Wilson and committee members who stepped in where ever needed.
- All the clean-up crews after the dinner and after the dance.
- The Desert Aire members (including renters) for their purchase of 50/50 tickets sold by Stu Mennie and Tom and Christie Graham. Half went to the mission.
- Music by JB and the Big Circle Riders Band.

Again Thank You, Thank You everyone for allowing Dan and I to work as Chair and Co-Chair people since 2013. Teddy and Mark Wilson will be taking over and a big thanks to them.

**2018 ART & CRAFT FAIR UPDATE**

Coordinators Lynda Denney & Sue Tasca

44 Vendors displayed their unique handcrafted & commercial items over 55 tables/racks in our auditorium & patio. Majority of vendors reported good sales & plan to return next year. James Gang BBQ Sauces was a favorite. Aspen Mills Bakery (as always) was a sell out!

Vendor tables & Bakery ~ \$1,217.87 plus Lou's Deli ~ 453.70 **NET: \$1,671.57**

83 Residence volunteered their time to our Fair. Some of them volunteered for two duties. **IT IS YOU, OUR D.A. VOLUNTEERS WHO MAKE OUR FAIR 'THE BEST IN THE COACHELLA VALLEY'.**

A list of the volunteers was posted on the bulletin board! Thanks to all of you!!

**ANNUAL EASTER SUNDAY FUND APPEAL.**

By Wayne Wolf, Coordinator

Easter Sunday, April 1st is coming soon and it's time to think about our Fund Drive to benefit our neighbors at the CVRM. This year the Mission plans on serving between 2500 and 3000 dinners and pass out 300 food baskets for their clients.

Saturday mornings on March 3 and March 17 we will pass around the "Red Bucket" for your opportunity to help the less fortunate. The money that we collect is used to help make the Easter Sunday Dinner "special". A good deed never goes unanswered and we don't give until it hurts. we give until it helps.

Contact Wayne Wolf at Lot 115 if you have any questions

Have a wonder Easter Sunday.

