



AIRE TIME



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DESERT AIRE NEWS

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

By June Cavendish, President Desert Aire Board

It doesn't seem possible that our season is drawing to a close. I hope that everyone has had a nice winter despite the bad weather. At our March Annual Meeting we elected 4 Board members and the following officers were chosen.

June Cavendish President
Brian Dolsen Vice President
Marilyn Kopernick Treasurer
Judy Bailey Secretary
Barry Rutz Director
Dave Haines Director
Cheryl Boyer Director

The Board looks forward to a great season next year and we want to wish everyone safe travels as you head to your summer homes.

MESSAGE FROM CAROLYN

By Carolyn Quintana, Community Association Manager

It's hard to believe another season will shortly be coming to an end. I know that many of you will be leaving in the months of March and April. I wanted to thank all of you for making this season such a nice memory. I really appreciate your cheerful spirits while you are visiting the office. Thank you to all the Committee Members who keep things running so smoothly, your dedication is really amazing. A special thank you to our Board Members who worked so hard this season with all of the projects needing consideration. All of you make Desert Aire the awesome community it is.

Safe Travels to all of you!!

MINUTES DESERT AIRE OPEN BOARD MEETING MARCH 5, 2019

By June Cavendish, Secretary DA Board

Introductions: Judy Bailey presided over the meeting in the absence of President Hope Hilliard. Meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. All Board members were present except Hope. Judy read comments from Hope on the progress of the Board this year and things to look forward to next year.

Secretary's Report: June Cavendish

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the February 5, 2019 General Meeting. The motion was seconded by Barry. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Anne King

A motion was made to ratify the January 2019 Financial Report from DRM, subject to review by the Finance Committee. Kurt seconded. Motion passed.

Two resolutions were presented for approval that will comply with new changes to the Civil Code – (1) to authorize transfer of funds (over \$10,000) from the operating fund to pay for monthly recurring obligations, including transfers to the Reserve Fund. Brian seconded the motion to accept this resolution. Motion passed.

(2) The Board will create a Financial Review subcommittee comprised of the Treasurer and the President to review financial statements and related documents on a monthly basis (not quarterly). Kurt seconded the motion to accept this resolution. Motion passed.

A policy was presented for the use of debit/credit cards and on-line purchasing. Credit cards have been issued to Alfonso and Carolyn through DRM. These cards are not to be "loaned" to other staff or volunteers. Purchases made with a credit card will enable better record keeping.

Purchases by debit card will only be used to facilitate last minute purchasing at local stores by volunteers. Carolyn will track these purchases. Anne moved to adopt this policy. Barry seconded. Motion passed.

Management Report: Carolyn Quintana

Carolyn reminded everyone to turn in their ballots for the General Meeting.

Committee Reports:

Activities – June Cavendish – No report

Emergency Preparedness – Anne King

Motion to accept ER for \$440 for paint, storage cabinet. Seconded by Kurt. Motion passed.

Mark Wilson reported that the committee is in the process of moving to a new area. The team is also looking for new members that have first aid experience.

Community Relations – Anne King

Anne and security members met with Golden Voice and confirmed that Golden Voice will provide security at our front and back gates during the concerts.

Real Estate – Brian Dolsen

Donna Irvine reported for her committee. Asked a few questions to see if homeowners had read the rules in the Blue Book.

Buildings & Grounds – Brian Dolsen

Motion to accept ER for \$2,070 for filter for pool A and salt cell for pool B. Barry seconded. Motion passed.

Motion to accept ER for \$18,490 for renovation to hallway men and ladies restrooms. Barry seconded. Motion passed.

Motion to accept ER for \$33,644 for renovations to restrooms by main pool. Kurt seconded. Motion passed.

Motion to accept ER for \$64,948 for renovations to restrooms at A & B pools. Barry seconded. Motion passed.

Don Hammond gave report for the B&G committee. Posts have been dug for the gates on Lot Fore. Bocce Ball and Horseshoes are just about finished with the new courts and repairs on existing ones. Thanks for all the volunteer's help in getting this completed. Summer list of work projects will be completed soon.

Architectural – Judy Bailey

Bob Adams said the committee has been busy this season. 75 plus requests have been presented to the committee. Reminded everyone that they need to be specific on your requests with your measurements and colors and drawings. Reminded everyone that before you head home to prune your trees and hedges, spray your grass for weeds and pull up your annual plants. Be sure to turn off your water and close your sewer valve and secure your property.

Landscape & Design – Kurt Neumann

Motion to accept ER for \$29,640 for the renewal of the Kirkpatrick Landscaping yearly contract. June seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Motion to accept ER for \$4,215.08 for front entrance work by Kirkpatrick Landscape. Seconded by Brian. Motion passed.

Nancy Clarke told how her committee works and the process they go through to determine the needs in the park. The committee is currently working on summer projects for Alfonso.

Space Allocation – Kurt Neumann

Motion to accept ER for \$700 for 10 additional chairs for party room. Barry seconded. Motion passed.

Motion to accept ER for \$1,300 for ceiling repairs in card room, party room and gym. Barry

seconded. Motion passed.

Motion to accept ER for \$7,500 for ceiling repair, paint and drop lights in the billiard room. Carpet will be removed and the tile cleaned to determine if the tile will be useable. Brian seconded. Motion passed.

Vicki Bussey spoke about the bathroom renovations and that they are working on keeping the costs down.

Security – Barry Rutz

Gordon Klein reported that security has had a good season. He asked for everyone to observe the 15 MPH speed limit. Kitchen security has been tightened due to things disappearing. The team will work on getting more beam security next year.

Nominating Committee – Hope Hilliard

Colleen Crewdson introduced her committee and then introduced the candidates who gave their bio's. The candidates are Cheryl Boyer, Brian Dolsen, Dave Haines and Marilyn Kopernick.

Home Owner's Open Forum

Judy Bailey responded to a question from Dale Irvine at the last meeting concerning dirt removal. If you have a contractor doing your work it is the responsibility of the contractor to haul your dirt away. If you are making environmental changes to your yard then Alfonso can haul away your dirt. If you are removing dirt for a new shed or patio then it is your responsibility to get rid of the dirt.

#182 Karen Such – Thanked everyone for getting her the information for the newsletter each month. Makes her job easier.

#231 Gerry Page – Asked about the two web sites. Which one should be used to look up information. The Desert Aire web site is used for marketing purposes. The other site operated by DRM will have documents, CCR's and other

things available. Currently it is not working correctly. Carolyn will work on this with DRM.

#176 Dale Irvine – The sound committee is looking for new members. Dale will not be on the committee next year.

#71 Tom Stewart – Thanked everyone for observing the cleaning times of the gym. Also new sign up sheets will appear this month for Hamburgers. Please sign up by your lot number. Hamburgers and pancakes ran out of food because people have been showing up without signing up. This month for hamburgers if your name is not on the list you will be asked to wait until the end to see if enough food is available.

#66 Colleen Kinsey – Reminded everyone that they could get permits from the city or county if they are having work done to their park model.

Introduction of New Home Owners

No new home owners were present

Announcements

Judy Bailey read a note from Hope thanking Kurt Neumann for his work on the Board. He will not be present at the General meeting on Sat.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 11:45 am

ACTIVITIES NEWS

TICKET SALES BOOTH

By Pam Laird, Ticket Booth Coordinator

Thanks to everyone supporting the events requiring tickets, because of your support we had a very busy successful season. The ticket committee continues to think of ways to make purchasing tickets as fair and efficient as possible. I would like you all to review the "Procedures for Ticket Sales" on page 12 of your 2019/2020 directory. You will notice a couple small changes from this season. Thanks again for all your support.

Next season the booth will be open Tues. & Fri's 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Ticket sales start Nov. 15. The booth will be closed for the holidays Dec. 17 and reopen Jan. 3, 2020.

ENTERTAINMENT

By Jim Campbell, Entertainment Coordinator

Thank you, Desert Aire nation, for all the support you have given Activities throughout the 2019-2020 entertainment season. By stepping up and purchasing entertainment tickets, your financial support allows Activities to stage all the activities in which we all partake within our park. I thank in particular, all those residents who have provided me with entertainment recommendations and I look forward to more such recommendations in the future. Next season's entertainment slots are now filled and I, once again, look forward to sharing with you the joy these entertainers work hard to provide us. Take care everyone and have a great summer.

JANUARY THEME DANCE

By Sandra Jones, Coordinator

Pam Laird, the Farquhars, Smarts and Jones have taken on organizing the Theme dance with Lou Bailey co-ordinating the dinner.

Our theme is a Latin American Fiesta so we'd like everyone to bring their Fiesta clothes, hats, tablecloths, and serapes with them in the fall. Thanks for your posters and tickets, newsletters and e-blasts helping us to keep informed.

Looking forward to seeing you all next season.

ARCHITECT COMMITTEE

By Barb Eggiman, Chair

I am happy to tell you that.....the Architectural Committee members will be staying on the committee for next season. Our committee is made up of 5 members plus a representative from the board. The members are all homeowners in the park.

Bob Adams has been on the committee for two years. He brings experience from prior years serving on the board. His ability to broaden our perspective on some areas of our rules has been helpful. He brings out a friendly smile to everyone he talks to.

Elaine Babcock has been on the committee for one year. She brings up issues that are helpful for our committee to discuss and put into use. Elaine is also the committee's secretary. Her ability to keep us organized and supplied with accurate reports in addition to posting the weekly meeting minutes is a huge asset to the committee.

Randy Miles has served on the committee for one year. Randy's past working career included management skills. He has a cheerful attitude while bringing clarity to a discussion and is able to summarize the heart of the matter easily.

Dan Spino has been on the committee for one year. His willingness to "dig in" to any project keeps us all wanting do the same. He looks at the bright side of any issue and is not afraid to speak up when he sees fit. He spends time riding his bike around the park and looking out for any areas that the committee may need to address.

Judy Bailey has been part of the committee for two years and will remain there as our Board Liaison representative next season. Judy has been a good support and encouragement for our committee. Her ability to pull us together when a rule we're discussing goes too long. We appreciate her firm direction given with a smile.

Barb Eggiman, that's me, I've been on the committee four years. The challenges the committee has tackled and the successes we've had at meeting the annual inspection deadline makes me want to come back and do it again. With this group of hard workers, we strive to constantly put our best efforts forward and hope that those efforts will be evident to all

homeowners.

BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Don Hammond, Chair

The B & G crew would like to thank our fellow residents for the cards and show of appreciation.

The 4 new Bocci Ball courts have had up to 80 people smiling at one time.

The 4 Horseshoe pits let more people play and the benches have folks watching.

The kitchen now has a new air vents for the water heater and freezers, as planned by the conservation committee.

The new gates for lot 4 will help our security. Thanks to B & G and security.

The #1 Irishmen has worked his magic on the front entrance. The new LED lighting is much brighter and uses about 1/3 the electric power. Thanks.

Our pools require a great deal of attention. B & G has put in untold hours of work to keep the cost down, saving ourselves a great deal of money. We have some people that put in 12+hours some days.

All volunteer work is a blessing to all of us. B & G is just one part of a wonderful volunteer park.

LANDSCAPE & DESIGN COMMITTEE

By Nancy Clarke, Chair

The thought of pulling up annuals, especially for Canadians who are heading home to colder weather, is a sad thought. Mother Nature threw us a curve, this season, with the cold weather, but overall, the gardens seemed to have rebounded and are flourishing.

We are very pleased with the overall look of our front entrance boulevard. Kirkpatrick Landscaping did a commendable job and completed the task within the week time frame. Our sincere thanks to Maurice Fitzgerald & his helpers who revamped the aged electrical

framework, in the boulevard, and have installed LED lighting to enhance that area. We have received an overwhelming amount of positive comments about the transformation.

Initially, we are starting with two Rose bed areas, with the intent of converting the irrigation to an updated system of irrigation. If we see a marked improvement, next season, we will gradually convert all of the beds to this system. We are slowly getting rid of any "beyond the due date" roses and replacing them with new & vibrant bushes.

Our committee is looking forward to the upcoming season and we will focus our project planning on areas that are in need of updating & enhancement.

On behalf of our committee, I wish you safe travelling as you head north and a healthy summer, to relax and enjoy.

Quote: *Spring is Nature's way of saying: "Let's party".*

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

By Karen Such, Chair

Just a note to all of my neighbors at Desert Aire, would you please think about taking some time to bring your gifts and talents to help Desert Aire become an even better place to spend your winters. When our committee comes to visit you during the season to ask if you would consider running for the Board of Directors, we are often met with "Oh, I just don't want to do that, as it takes too much time.", or various other reasons.

We have so much talent and gifts here at Desert Aire, and so many of you have shared those with us in the past years, and I thank all of you for your willingness to take time to be on the Board.

While I don't want to pressure anyone, I would like you to think about it over the summer. I hope all of you have an outstanding summer and

we will see you in the Fall!

SECURITY COMMITTEE

By Gordon Klein, Chair

Your Security Team is happy to announce there has been minimal unwanted activity in the Park this season. We would like to thank Homeowners for contacting Security when observing suspicious activity in the Park. Teamwork keeps our Park safe and secure.

As you are aware we have had a group of Volunteers working on gates to the entrance of Lot Fore Parking. Once the gates are installed it is our intent to lock them at 9:00 p.m. each night to discourage the removal of large objects stored in that area. You will still be able access Lot Fore parking by walking through until 10:00 p.m. at which time the alarms are set.

I am pleased to announce our Security Team is growing and we now have 20 team members. Thank you to all of the new members that have volunteered to join us and thank you to all current members for your ongoing commitment to keep our Park running smoothly.

With the season coming to an end we would like to remind you to secure your homes and sheds before you leave.

Have a great summer and we look forward to seeing you in the Fall.

PARK TIDBITS

JACK & JILL NEWS

By Steve & Karen, Coordinators

The Jack & Jill Tournament in March had a beautiful day for golf at Palm Royale Country Club. It was very special for Grant Smith, space 306, as he had his first hole in one on hole nine! We didn't have to keep track of water balls, so no one bothered telling how many balls they lost in the water!

Thank you to the planning committee, Dennis & Linda Percheson, John & Pam Barry and Bruce

and Delphy Olesen. You did a fantastic job with golf, as well as cooking a great dinner for the teams.

Winners were:

- 1st Place. Barry & Gerri Rutz
Jeff Baldwin & Margaret Sasse
- 2nd Place. Mike & Jackie Burrell
Dave & Kathy Blumenstein
- 3rd Place. Grant Smith & Karen Such
Don Gordon & Renae Randal
- Men's Closest to Pin. Grant Smith
- Women's Closest to Pin. Cathy Cummings
- Men's Longest Putt. Jeff Baldwin & Barry Rutz
- Women's Longest Putt. Susan Langin

Some very nice door prizes were awarded after all of the awards were given to the winners.

At the end of the evening there was discussion and voting. We will be changing Jack & Jill Tournaments a little bit this coming season. Due to the fact that a number of golfers have dropped out because they can no longer walk the course, November Jack & Jill will be at Oasis Country Club. There will be an increase in cost, and due to that we plan to have a potluck for the evening dinner. January through March will still be at Palm Royale Country Club. The cost to golf Oasis will include a golf car, so all of you who require a golf car can sign up for the November tournament.

This change of venue will help us determine if this should be considered again in future seasons.

One more issue with Jack & Jill for November 2019, we have only one couple who have volunteered to coordinate the November Jack * Jill at Oasis. Since there will be a potluck that night, the coordinators will have a lot less work to do. Would someone (two couples) please volunteer to help Doug & Wendy Livesey in November. We also need two couples to help Jim & Jane Storms in March. Thank you so much. Please contact Steve or Karen Such if

you will take on that project.

WINNER'S CIRCLE

Golf Competitions At Desert Aire

Putting winners: Margaret Sasse and Stan Miller

Runners-up: Leslan Carlson and Bert Padberg

Lot Fore Match Play - Winners: Susan Langin and Jim Wurzer

Runners-up: Sue Del Casino and Dave Lockhart

Bocce Tournament

Winners: Derek Weller and Rob Fraser

Runners-up: Simone and Jim Wurzer

Pool Tournament

Winner: Colleen Lockhart and Bob Langin

Runners-up - Deb Cross and Gordon Warner

2019 ANNUAL GOLF DINNER

By Len Kellar, Coordinator

Fifty-four Monday and Wednesday golfers and guests enjoyed cocktails and dinner at Palm Desert Country Club on March 20th.

It was announced after dinner that next season we will be returning to play the same courses, Palm Desert CC, The Mountain courses at Sun City and Terra Lago. All these courses give us a substantial break on their green fees and provided rounds of golf and luncheon certificates for door prizes.

Door prize winners were:

George Bailey, David Blumenstein, Paul Brown, Jerry Green, Stan Miller, Don Polinski, Bruce Spalding and Barry Rutz.

The 2019-2020 season will begin late October or early November depending on course readiness. We welcome all Desert Aire golfers and guests.

SUNSHINE LADY

By Dede Hurford

Desert Aire has a Sunshine Lady and that is me, Dede Hurford, Lot 99. The duties of the Sunshine Lady, are to send cards to Desert Aire owners and/or families who are in need of "some sunshine in their lives", ie a card.

If any of the Desert Aire Family has a problem, sickness, or lose a loved one, please send an email to me at hurfordd@comcast.net or call me at 503-349-6133. Thank you.

HAPPY EASTER

