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## Director's Message



By **Lynelle Glysson**  
Executive Director

### Happy New Year!

I am looking forward to a bright new year and I hope you are as well. I wish all the residents of the Ranch health and happiness in 2020.

The staff, the Board and I have been planning 2020 and beyond. Moving forward takes planning and I have spent the last couple of months doing just that. I will be implementing improved communications with staff, residents, committees and the Board. This will include a new website with more organized and easily accessed information. The **Marketing Committee** along with **Nancy Roggio**, *Communications Manager*, have been working with our web designer to build an aesthetically pleasing and better functioning website. Improved communications will also include a new program for staff, Board members and committees to access live updates on what projects the staff has been tasked. I will be setting up trackable goals based on committee and Board feedback so each can see the progress live. I will keep you, the residents, informed with articles in *Ranchers' RoundUp*, email blasts and information on the website.

Thank you for your continued support as we continue to make Dobson Ranch *"The best place to live!"*

## New Board Member Appointment



On October 18th at the Open Session Board Meeting, one vacant Board seat remained. The Board announced that they were asking for nominees for the vacant Board seat that would be appointed at the December Open Session Board Meeting. On December 19, 2019, the Board appointed **Chris Diamond** to the Board seat for the term that ends in April 2021.

Chris Diamond has lived on the Ranch for nearly 15 years. During that time his family has grown as well as his business. He is one of the founders of the **Yacht Club** and coordinates the **Holiday Lighted Boat Parade**. He would like to encourage residents to get involved in the committees and get input from residents on some of the decisions. The Board is comprised of volunteers and it is encouraging to see those who have come forward to keep the Ranch *"The best place to live!"*

Please join us in welcoming Chris to the Board.

## Water Awareness



By **Craig A. Wilson**  
Water Resources Manager

### A New Year

I made a New Year's resolution to reduce my wastewater usage, or rather the amount billed each month. A wastewater charge is part of the utility bill presented each month by the City of Mesa. This should be a pretty easy resolution to keep. All I need do is watch how much water I use in the winter months. By the end of March, if not earlier, I will have moved on to some other water saving scheme and forgotten about wastewater.

To compute the monthly wastewater charge, the City of Mesa takes the average water usage for the lowest three of the four months between December and March. That becomes the basis for the monthly wastewater charge that appears on our utility bills. The assumption is most of the water used during these four months reflects water use in the home that goes down the drain and exits through the sewer line. That is the water the City is trying to count, not the water used for irrigation outside the house. If you, like many on the Ranch, over-seed the lawn in the winter, then one's wastewater bill can be skewed.

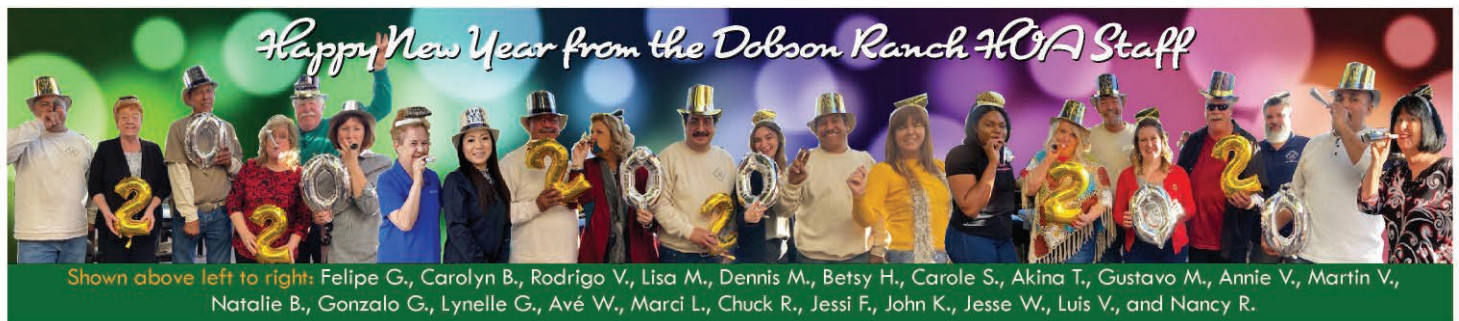
There are several strategies to use to prevent your wastewater bill from becoming excessive. One is to wait until April to replace the water in your pool. Another is to start your winter lawn early so the grass is already established by December.

A big savings, however, takes some planning. If you are looking to upgrade your appliances, look at the water consumption ratings of the new dishwashers, washing machines



and toilets. These appliances are now much more efficient, using less water and energy to do their jobs. One of the marvels of our part of Arizona is how water consumption has not kept pace with population growth. All new home construction and most home renovations involve the installation of low flow toilets. This alone has kept real water consumption down while accommodating a growing population.

Pay attention to your water use for the rest of the winter. Minimize extraneous watering, be aware of just when household plants need watering and you will be rewarded with a lower wastewater bill for the rest of the year.



Shown above left to right: Felipe G., Carolyn B., Rodrigo V., Lisa M., Dennis M., Betsy H., Carole S., Akina T., Gustavo M., Annie V., Martin V., Natalie B., Gonzalo G., Lynelle G., Avé W., Marci L., Chuck R., Jessi F., John K., Jesse W., Luis V., and Nancy R.



Message from the Editor

## RESOLUTIONS ON THE RANCH

By Nancy Roggio,  
Communications Manager



It's officially 2020! That means everyone is thinking about what they want to change for the year ahead... and your homeowners association shouldn't be an exception! Amidst the making of resolutions and goals for yourself in the new year, take some time to meet with your **HOA Board** and **Executive Director** to discuss resolutions for your association in 2020.

And, in case you are feeling stumped, here are a few resolutions I've made as the Dobson Ranch Communications Manager for the new year:

- **Being open about all board meetings:** It always helps homeowners feel included when their HOA Board posts their meeting schedules and sends reminders about meeting times. We can increase the sense of a close-knit community while encouraging involvement and openness in our association by letting members know when the Board will be making decisions and discussing community matters. Board Meeting Agendas and Minutes are promptly posted on our website for all to view.
- **Increasing communication:** The key to a successful association is always better communication. If you feel your association is struggling in that department, let's resolve to make it better together.

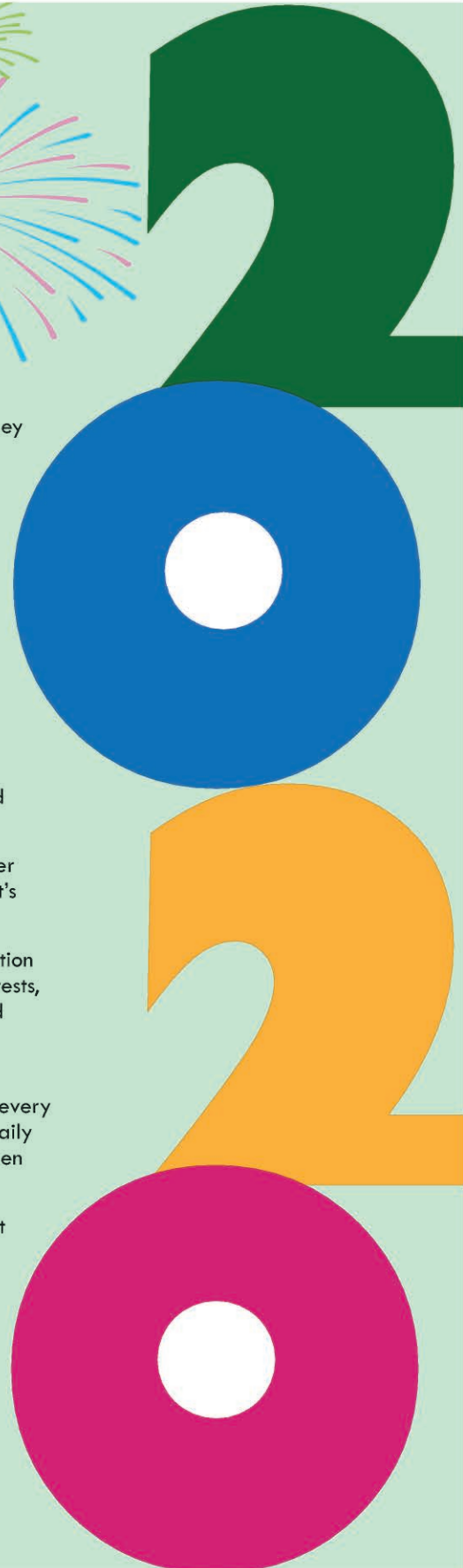
The **Ranchers' RoundUp** monthly magazine provides residents with timely information about your HOA, your community, clubs, special events, committee meetings, contests, and much more. The goal of the publication is to keep our homeowners informed before they need to ask for more information. If you have suggestions for future articles or content, please share them.

Our social media channels, **Facebook** and **Instagram**, are growing more popular every day. They are an excellent resource for communicating with our residents on a daily basis. Visit them often, as you'll find important information that may have not been included in **Ranchers' RoundUp**.

The **Dobson Ranch website** is currently being revamped and refreshed. Content has been updated throughout and many new features will be added to make your user experience a navigational breeze to find what you need when you need it. The rollout of the new website will be early this year.

**Email Blasts** are also being used to get timely information out to all residents. Please make sure that your email address is up-to-date in our database so that you do not miss a single notice.

*Let's make 2020 the year the Dobson Ranch Homeowners Association makes positive changes for all those living in the community!*





## Moving Forward Together

by Annie Vaugier, Code Compliance Supervisor

I have mixed emotions about saying good-bye to the festive holiday season of 2019. I so enjoyed the season of giving, good will, and coming together with family and friends. Yet, I am very excited for this new year at Dobson Ranch and what our management team is striving to accomplish, especially in the **Code Compliance** department. We have brought on new staff, we have closed most of the aged violations, and are looking forward to serving your community to ensure that Dobson Ranch remains *the best place to live*.

As we begin this new year, I just want to remind everyone about the importance of following your **CC&Rs** and **Residential Design Guidelines**. If you haven't reviewed your owner documents in a while, they are available on our website at [www.dobson-ranch.com](http://www.dobson-ranch.com). Following your CC&Rs and Residential Design Guidelines, especially those regarding trash bins and illegal RV parking, would mean no violations in 2020. What a great year that would be!

We also work very closely with our Dobson Ranch **Architectural Committee (DRAC)** for all exterior projects. Any exterior work you would like to do that can be seen from the front of your home, by a neighbor, or lakeside must have an architectural review form submitted to our office by the Wednesday before the next upcoming DRAC meeting. Your architectural request will be reviewed and you will be notified of your approval. Just another reminder that no work can begin until your project has been reviewed and approved.

DRAC meets twice monthly on the second and fourth Tuesdays, so any architectural submission forms received after the Wednesday prior to a scheduled committee meeting will be submitted for the next available DRAC meeting.



As Henry Ford once said, *'If everyone is moving forward together, then success takes care of itself.'* I enjoy working with all of you and look forward to an awesome 2020.



Topics will include the benefits of shade, weather stripping, picking the right air filter, and more!

## Water and Energy Efficiency Workshop

**Date:** February 27, 2020

**Time:** 6:00 pm

**Location:** La Casita at Dobson Ranch  
2719 S. Reyes, Mesa  
Grande Room

**RSVP to:** [Tanya.Hughes@srpnet.com](mailto:Tanya.Hughes@srpnet.com)

Join us for an hour-long presentation from SRP. Learn about programs, price plans and products that can help you save water and energy at home.

Q&A to follow. Light refreshments provided.

**One attendee will win a door prize!**

**Presented by:** Tanya Hughes, SRP Senior Event and Marketing Strategist and Dobson Ranch resident



**The Dobson Association, Inc.**  
**Board of Director's Open Session Meeting**  
**La Casita Recreation Center, Grande Room, 2719 S. Reyes**  
**Thursday, January 16, 2020 • 7:00 pm**



## JOIN THE BOARD!

# Call for Candidates

We are starting our call for candidates for the three **Board of Director** seats that will be filled at the April 2020 **Annual Meeting of the Members**. Each position is for a 3-year term.

Serving on the Board of Directors for Dobson Ranch can be a fulfilling volunteer experience. Whether you are a long-time resident or new to Dobson Ranch, serving as a board member means you can partner with other residents in building a strong sense of community.

The Board of Directors are responsible for serving their neighbors and making sound decisions regarding finances, amenities, events, policy and governing documents. It is an endeavor that requires a time commitment of monthly meetings, committees, and executive sessions. It requires education on how homeowners' associations run and their responsibilities to the members. These members are your neighbors and every decision will impact them. It can be very rewarding to see your input come to fruition in the aesthetic qualities of Dobson Ranch as well as sound policy and finances.

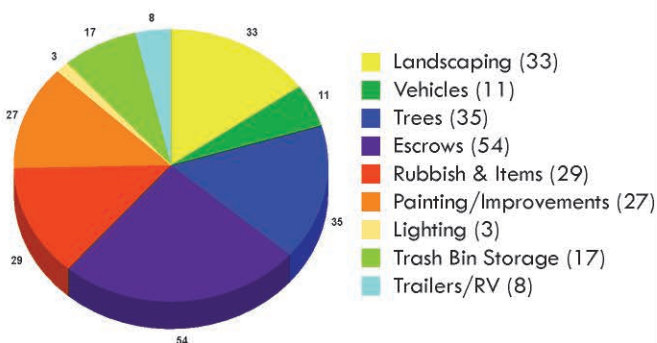
If you are interested in serving on the Board, please go to the website ([www.dobsonranchhoa.com/board-of-directors/join-the-board-of-directors](http://www.dobsonranchhoa.com/board-of-directors/join-the-board-of-directors)), fill out an application and send it to: [lglysson@dobsonranch.com](mailto:lglysson@dobsonranch.com). Please include a bio and photo of yourself to be included in the February and March issues of *Ranchers' RoundUp*.

## CC&R Notices

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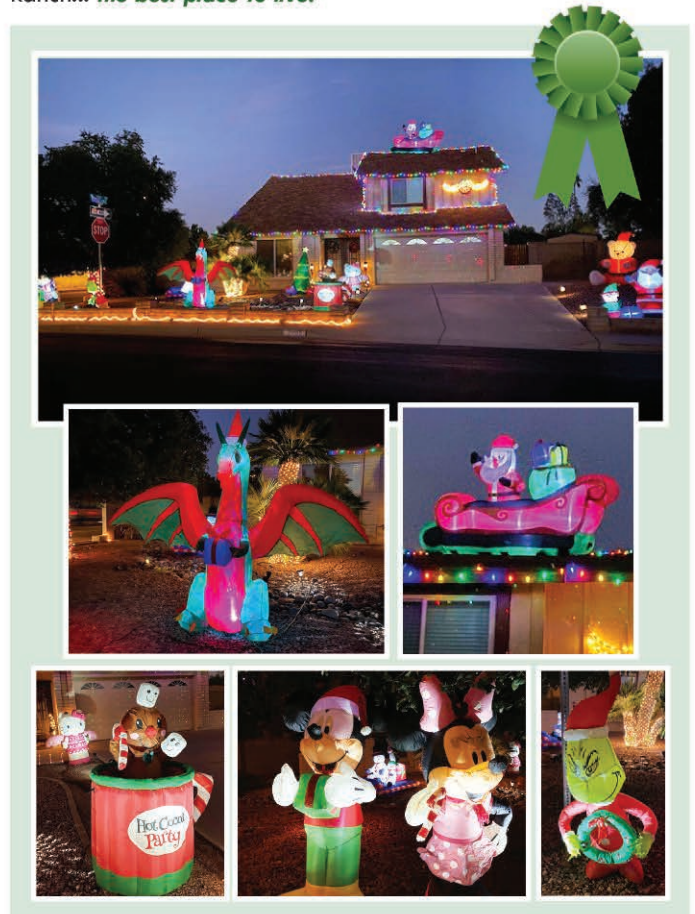
By Nancy Roggio

*Ranchers' RoundUp* Editor

An extra special **Holiday Green Thumb Award** goes to **Josh Chilton and Kerrin Kleinschmidt** at 2005 S. Henkel Circle for their dazzling and oh so de-LIGHT-ful Christmas decorations.

Their colorful assortment of inflatables includes a gift-bearing dragon, Mickey and Minnie Mouse, The Grinch, a sleigh riding Snowman and Penguin, Santa Bear, an Elf, a Christmas Tree, Hello Kitty, a Hot Cocoa mug with mini marshmallows pop-up, and to top it all off... Santa Claus in his sleigh on the roof.

Homeowners spreading holiday cheer is what makes Dobson Ranch... **the best place to live!**



There are many impressive and well-manicured yards in Dobson Ranch that it's hard to pick each month. If you would like your yard or a neighbor's yard featured as a Green Thumb winner, call 480-831-8314 or email [nroggio@dobsonranch.com](mailto:nroggio@dobsonranch.com).



## Residential Architectural Guidelines Workshop

by Lynelle Glysson, Executive Director

Since the **Dobson Ranch Architectural Committee**, or **DRAC** as we refer to it, was instated with the proper authority and has held regular open meetings, they have been working on editing the **Residential Architectural Guidelines**. They have been reviewing current city codes, state statutes and federal requirements. They are using these as a guide to update our Guidelines to follow current laws and codes. In addition, they have reviewed the Guidelines for clarity. These reviews were done in open meetings over the past several months.

After completing a draft, the Guidelines were sent to our attorney for review. The attorney approved the draft as written. In addition, the Board approved the new fine schedule. Before adoption of the new guidelines, the DRAC will hold a Workshop for resident input on the updates. Although the updates are minor and mostly to comply with laws and for clarity purposes, the DRAC understands the importance of transparency and wants to review them with residents before adopting them.

On Wednesday, February 12, 2020 at 6:30 pm in the La Casita Grande Room, the DRAC will hold a Workshop to review the Residential Architectural Guidelines. Please attend this meeting to learn what the changes are and to give feedback. Rest assured, there are no sweeping changes and the intent is to bring the Guidelines into compliance with current laws and to maintain the aesthetic quality of the Ranch. The draft Guidelines are posted to the website. There will be a couple of regular DRAC meetings before the Workshop; please attend if you would like to know more about how they operate or have questions. They meet regularly on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. We also welcome any questions in advance by emailing the Dobson Ranch office at: [lglysson@dobsonranch.com](mailto:lglysson@dobsonranch.com).

The DRAC looks forward to working with Dobson Ranch residents to keep the Ranch **"The best place to live!"**

Save the date!

**Residential Architectural Guidelines Workshop**  
La Casita Recreation Center, Grande Room, 2719 S. Reyes  
Wednesday, February 12, 2020 • 6:30 pm

## Attorney Letter Regarding Bylaw Amendments

December 23, 2019

Dear Lot Owners of The Dobson Association, Inc.:

Our firm represents The Dobson Association, Inc. (the "Association"). Your Board of Directors asked us to write you a letter addressing a few recent changes to the Dobson Association, Inc. Bylaws ("Bylaws").

Please note, this letter is for informational purposes only and is not intended to provide legal advice of any kind. If Owners have any legal questions, they should seek their own legal representation.

### Bylaws Provisions Adding Voting Requirement for Members

A recent addition to Section 8.1 of the Bylaws states: "Any single new capital project (*non-Reserve Fund*) expenditures exceeding \$100,000 through calendar year 2025 and \$125,000 thereafter, shall require a majority vote of the meeting membership with one-tenth (1/10) of the votes of the membership constituting a quorum." Previously, there was no requirement in the Bylaws for Owner approval to spend Association on capital improvements.

Furthermore, Section 12.1 was recently amended to provide that Bylaws amendments "require a majority vote of the meeting membership with one-tenth (1/10) of the votes of the membership constituting a quorum before becoming effective." Previously, there was no requirement in the Bylaws for Owner approval to amend the Bylaws.

Thus, the changes to Sections 8.1 and 12.1 impose Owner voting requirements that did not previously exist. Additionally, the changes to Sections 8.1 and 12.1 impose a greater voting requirement for members than would otherwise be required under the Arizona nonprofit corporation act.

The Arizona nonprofit corporation act provides that only the Members can adopt a provision of the Bylaws that imposes a "greater quorum or voting requirement for Members." The Arizona nonprofit corporation states that a Bylaws amendment establishing a greater quorum or voting requirement for Members "shall not be adopted, amended or repealed by the board of directors."


Because the changes to Sections 8.1 and 12.1 of the Bylaws were made by the Board (*not made by through a vote of the Owners*), they are not effective and will be repealed by the Board.

### Amended and Restated Bylaws

In addition, the Board has requested our firm prepare an updated (*amended and restated*) Bylaws for their review. **The proposed amended and restated Bylaws will be reviewed at a special Board meeting to be held on Thursday, January 23, 2020.**

In summary, the recent Bylaws amendments adopted by the Board imposing limits on the Board's exercise of rights are not valid because they add a greater quorum and voting requirement that was not adopted by the Members, as required by the Arizona nonprofit corporation act.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have questions regarding any of the matters addressed in this letter, please contact the Association's executive director, **Lynelle Glysson**, at [lglysson@dobsonranchhoa.com](mailto:lglysson@dobsonranchhoa.com) or 480-831-8314, with your comments, concerns, or suggested changes.

Sincerely,  
  
Adrienne A. Speas





## Landscaping Tips



By Arizona Landscape Contractors' Association, the Sustainable Landscape Management (SLM) and the Arizona Certified Landscape Professional (ACLIP) [www.ALCA.org](http://www.ALCA.org)

### Ornamental Grasses



Ornamental grasses fill an important niche in our southwestern plant palette. They are low-water use, provide welcome softness and unique colors and textures in contrast with other plant materials, while requiring only minimal maintenance to look their best.

- Ornamental grasses are grasses, and should be treated as such. They may be low-water use, but they are not no-water use. Extra water in the Summer helps these plants look their best year-round.
- In general, ornamental grasses should be given more water than desert-adapted plants. This can be accomplished in several ways:
  - o **Hydrozone** - if installing a new landscape, plan irrigation zones by grouping plants with similar water needs. Ornamental grasses perform best on their own zone, apart from trees, shrubs, cacti/succulents, and bedding plants, so you can water to their specific water requirements.
  - o **Emitter capacity/quantity** - add emitters or size them up as needed. Often one emitter is placed at time of planting. As the grass matures and clumps, this may not be enough to wet the area where the roots grow.
- Know your species and plant at the correct spacing and exposure. Clumping bunch grasses in general need plenty of sunlight and space to grow.
- Grass clumps should be raked out several times during the year to remove dead leaves and trash.
- Understand the blooming period of your grass variety so you don't cut back the grass before it blooms and end up missing out on the beautiful blooms for the year.
- Annual maintenance includes trimming the ornamental grass to promote vigor and maintain its appearance in the landscape without getting overgrown.
- Grass clumps can be left alone until early Spring, to provide live plant material during the Winter months, when other plant varieties are undergoing hard cut-backs/rejuvenation pruning.



- More commonly, ornamental grasses are cut-back during the Winter months of December-February in the Phoenix area.
- Use sharp grass shears or power trimmers to cut grass to desired height.
- Grass clumps can be cut just above the ground to minimize the accumulation of unwanted thatch. It will take a little longer to come back from this hard cut-back, but the grass will thrive.
- Don't reduce water at time of cut-backs. The grass will be stressed and needs adequate water to recover.

**PROTECT YOUR LANDSCAPE INVESTMENT**  
Is your landscaper SLM Certified?



### Homeowner Improvements

## Architectural Applications December 2019

By **Carole Stabile**  
Member Services Coordinator

**16 Applications** **\$86,719**

**DOBSON SHORES**  
Landscape \$ 10,000

**LAGUNA SHORES**  
Gates \$ 5,800  
Trampoline \$ 815

**DOBSON RANCH UNIT I**  
Windows \$ 2,500

**DOBSON RANCH UNIT III**  
Paint \$ 1,500  
Window Replacement \$ 4,163

**GOLDEN PALMS ESTATES**  
Paint \$ 400  
Window Replacement \$ 6,700

**LAGUNA SHORES AMENDED**  
Gazebo \$ 3,000  
Solar Panels \$ 35,000

**LOS ALTOS**  
Security Door/Windows \$ 4,441

**SARATOGA LAKES**  
Paint \$ 3,000  
Roof \$ 8,900  
Landscape \$ 500



**Do you have a home improvement project that you'd like the Architectural Committee to consider?**  
Simply look for the **Architectural Application for Review Form** on the Dobson Ranch website.

**Home Sales**  
Trustee Properties: 4  
3 – Houses, 1 – Condo  
Home Sales: 28







## Building a Better Community One Book at a Time

by Nancy Roggio, Communications Manager



Dobson Ranch 14-year resident **Tanya Hughes** always had a passion for paperbacks and books of all types. But, it was her desire to share that love with her friends and neighbors in her community that introduced her to **Little Free Library**, a nonprofit organization founded 10 years ago that inspires a love of reading, builds community, and sparks creativity by fostering neighborhood book exchanges around the world.

The quest to have a Little Free Library of her very own started when Tanya saw a notice posted by the City of Mesa on **Next Door** that they were supporting the Little Free Library book exchange program and to contact them for more information.

"I registered on the City of Mesa interest form on their website and received a response after a few months due to an overwhelming response to the Little Free Library program," Tanya explained. "Once my request was approved by the City, I applied at Dobson Ranch HOA for approval. It only took one week to get the approval from the HOA."

The Little Free Library website offers "stewards" step-by-step instructions on how to get started with tips on how to build, install, stock and promote your Library. Tanya was lucky to receive her Library box free (thanks to Councilman **Francisco Heredia** for getting a grant to purchase the boxes for the City), so building her LFL from scratch was not necessary.

However, one of the first things that Tanya needed to decide was where she could legally and safely install the Library on her property at 2401 W. Kilarea Avenue. She contacted 811 to mark her yard for what might be underground before any digging was started.



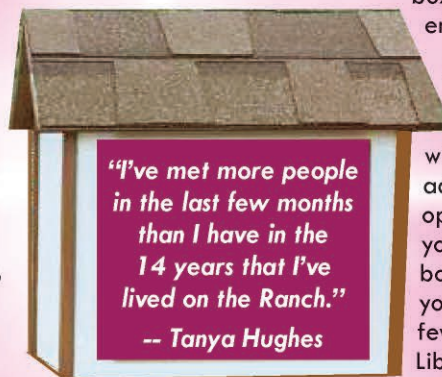
"My brother Todd did the installation and dug down at least 12", then added cement to secure the post. Once my Little Free Library was installed, Todd detailed it to look like my house with leftover paint and shingles," Tanya continued.

"Before I even had a chance to stock the box for the very first time, my neighbors started putting books inside. My coworkers also donated books. It was very exciting to see everything coming together.

"I notified the City of Mesa that my Library was ready to be registered under their charter and received further instructions from them. A few days after I sent a photo of my completed Library to the City of Mesa and had my registration number, I received my Free Little Library plaque that is now mounted on the front of the box," she stated proudly.

Tanya's ribbon-cutting ceremony (complete with a champagne toast) was held on October 23. She immediately posted a notice on **Next Door** that her Little Free Library was officially open for business. On October 24, a post featuring photos of the Library went on our Dobson Ranch HOA **Facebook** page. Incredibly, this was the **highest engaging post in all of 2019** with **945** people reading the post and **87** people "liking" the post. All of the comments left on **Facebook**, and there were tons of them, were positive and as heart-warming as this one: "We love having this in our neighborhood! Thank you, Tanya!"

"The whole program is just the best way to be neighborly! I've met more people in the last few months than I have in the 14 years that I've lived on the Ranch. It's amazing how one little box of used books can put a smile on a stranger's face," Tanya admitted.



Since the ribbon-cutting, Tanya has had to keep the overflow of books and magazines in a chest in her living room and now has a wide variety of books for all ages. She's added a motion detector light so that if you open the box at night, the light pops on to help you find just the right book. She decorates the box to match the season, and, if you're lucky you may even find a few treats in her Library as well. For



her next project, she's hoping to have neighbors paint a river rock to add some color around the base of the Library post.

You can meet Tanya in person by stopping by and saying "hi" at her Little Free Library or at her upcoming **SRP Energy Efficiency Workshop** scheduled for February 27 at 6:00 pm in the Grande Room at the La Casita Recreation Center.

Tanya, who has worked for SRP as their *Senior Event and Marketing Strategist* for the past 12 years, will be discussing energy efficiency, water efficiency, efficient lighting, the benefits of shade, weather stripping, picking the right air filter, SRP's history and community ties, and more. The Workshop will offer light refreshments, a raffle drawing and a Q&A session.

(See page 5 in this issue of **Ranchers' RoundUp** for more information about Tanya's Workshop.)

### Little Free Library Stats:

- Over **90,000** Little Free Libraries and growing.
- Little Free Libraries available in **90+** countries.
- More than **120 million** books have been shared.

For more info, visit [LittleFreeLibrary.org](http://LittleFreeLibrary.org).

- **73%** of people have met more neighbors because of a Little Free Library.
- **92%** say their neighborhood feels like a friendlier place because of a Little Free Library.



DRUMROLL, PLEASE! AND THE WINNERS ARE...

# Holiday Snapshot

## PHOTO CONTEST

We all had a great time at our festive Dobson Ranch **WINTER WONDERLAND** and **BREAKFAST WITH SANTA** events, but it was the kids who enjoyed them the most... as you can see in our winning entries.

### ◀ EDITOR'S CHOICE AWARD

**Kat Mace** wins a \$150 Visa Gift Card!

All photos entered in the contest have been posted on our Facebook page.



**1st PRIZE**



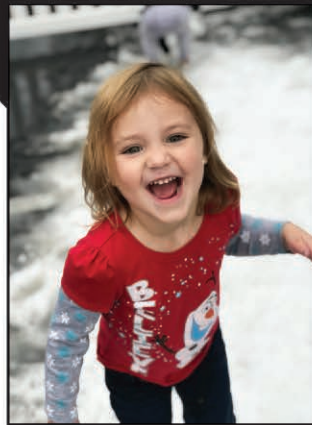
**2nd PRIZE**



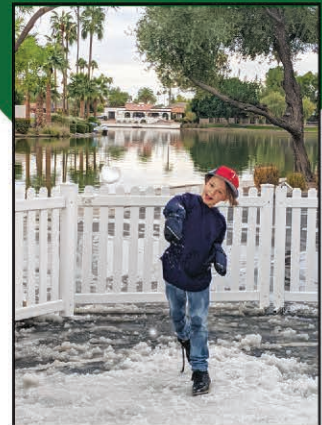
**3rd PRIZE**



**Carrie Anderson**  
\$100 Visa Gift Card



**Neil Ernst**  
\$75 Visa Gift Card



**Jessi Feltmann**  
\$50 Visa Gift Card

**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO ENTERED OUR HOLIDAY SNAPSHOT PHOTO CONTEST!**



## From the Recreation Director's Desk



**By Jesse Wright**  
Associate Director of Recreation

**Happy New Year!** I want to thank all of the families in the community that attended **Breakfast with Santa**. We had a wonderful turnout and I hope you enjoyed the activities. A great big thank you goes out to the **Retirees' Club** for preparing the breakfast, it was delicious!

Parents... if you're ready for a break, especially after the holidays, look no further. Our new **Parent's Night Out** event takes place on January 18th. We've got a fun night planned for the kids, so you can have some much needed alone time. We'll be showing the movie *Abominable*, serving up popcorn, playing lots of games, and doing crafts. Plus, there'll even be raffle prizes! Don't forget your pillow and blanket! Sign up today online or at La Casita Recreation Center.

Our pup-ular **Bark in the Park** event will be back on January 25th at Laguna Park. Bring your pampered pooches out to to romp in the park, participate in contests, and visit with vendors that cater exclusively to your canine. We'll have areas for big and small dogs, so you're sure to have a doggone good time.

**Sunday in the Park** will be held on February 9th at Laguna Park. The band *People Who Can Fly* will be providing the entertainment. Bring your family and friends and enjoy the free live music. Then it's time to look to the stars on February 28th for our **Stargazing** event at Laguna Park. Come experience the large telescopes provided by *Stargazing for Everyone*.

**Fishing Licenses** and **Boat Permits** for 2020 are now on sale. Fishing Licenses for residents are \$5 for individuals (7 years of age and older) and \$10 for a family. Pricing for non-residents: individuals \$10; and Family \$20. Boat Permits for residents only are \$15 for non-motorized and motorized watercrafts. Stop by La Casita to purchase your licenses or permits.

## RECREATION FACILITY HOURS:



**La Casita Recreation Center**  
2719 S. Reyes . 480-831-7464  
Fall Hours:  
Monday-Saturday 8:00 am - 7:00 pm  
Sunday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm



**Los Altos Recreation Center**  
2524 W. Campo Alegre  
Fall Hours:  
Monday-Saturday 8:00 am - 7:00 pm  
Sunday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm



**Saratoga Recreation Center**  
2345 S. Saratoga  
Fall Hours:  
Monday-Saturday 8:00 am - 7:00 pm  
Sunday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm



**Laguna Park**  
2455 W. Laguna Azul Avenue  
Open year-round  
sunrise to sunset

(Most amenities are accessible by Homeowner FOB when facility is not staffed.)

**SUNDAY**  
IN THE  
**PARK**  
Come get your jam on!

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2020 | 3:00 - 5:00 pm**  
**LAGUNA PARK | 2455 W. Laguna Azul Ave.**

Bring lawn chairs and refreshments!

Featuring **LIVE** music by *People Who Could Fly*

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**Winter Wonderland** Oh, what fun it was! See page 26 for Lighted Boat Parade photos. Visit our Facebook page for more photos.





**Breakfast With Santa** Family fun for everyone! See our Dobson Ranch HOA Facebook page for more photos from both seatings.



**Breakfast With Santa Coloring Contest Winners**

<p>1.</p> 	<p>2.</p> 	<p>3.</p> 	<p>1. Ages 0-4 Carmen Dickey, 3</p> <p>2. Ages 5-8 Genevieve Schmidt, Age 7</p> <p>3. Ages 9-12 Reagan Koolman, Age 10</p>
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# STARGAZING

## at Laguna Park Friday, February 28

- Telescopes supplied by *Stargazing for Everyone*
- Viewing of Saturn and the Moon
- Bring Your Blankets, Small Flashlights and Cameras
- Presentation at 7:00 pm
- Viewing takes place until 9:00 pm (weather permitting)



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# MOVIE in the PARK



**FRIDAY, MARCH 6**  
**LAGUNA PARK**  
2455 W. Laguna Azul  
Movie begins at sunset

Enjoy cold soft drinks,  
hot dogs, nachos and  
freshly popped  
popcorn!

Sponsored by *Valhalla Community Magazines*.  
While supplies last.



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It's your dog's day at Dobson Ranch, but you'll have a dog-gone good time, too!

# BARK

..... in the Park

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 2020**  
Laguna Park - 2455 W. Laguna Azul  
**9:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

Contests will be held at **11:00 am** and winners will receive a **Gift Card**.



**Pet-Related Vendors Needed!**

Cost to enter is \$25 for a 10' x 10' space. Contact Dobson Ranch Recreation at 480-831-7464.

**SELL IT! DUMP IT! SHRED IT!**



**GARAGE SALE:** 7:00 am - 1:00 pm. Ranchwide. Register by email: [cburleson@dobsonranch.com](mailto:cburleson@dobsonranch.com) or call 480-831-8314. Signage is your responsibility. Deadline to register is Friday, March 6. Maps and lists will be available on Thursday, March 12.

**RANCH CLEAN UP:** 7:00 am - 1:30 pm. Los Altos Parking Lot. Residents are responsible for loading and unloading their own material. Unacceptable items include: appliances, rock, block, concrete, tile, carpet, food, animal waste, engines, all hazardous waste, pressurized tanks and gas powered vehicles.

**PAPER SHREDDING:** 8:00 am - 11:00 am. Saratoga and La Casita Parking Lots. Drop off boxes of paper to be shredded. Paper clips and staples OK. No plastic bags.

**BYOB**

**SAVE THE DATE!**

21+ over event

- Wine and Beer Tasting!
- Prizes!
- Live Music!

ID Required

**FRIDAY, MARCH 27**  
La Casita Recreation Center

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## RECREATION CLASSES

All Recreation Activities, classes and programs are at La Casita Recreation Center unless specified. Questions? Call La Casita at 480-831-7464. Visit us at [www.dobsonranch.com](http://www.dobsonranch.com).



### TAI CHI

Instructor: Linda  
 When: Wednesdays  
 Where: AM Classes & PM Classes at La Casita Recreation Center

Time: 9:00 am Beginning Tai Chi  
 10:00 am Intermediate Tai Chi  
 6:00 pm Intermediate Tai Chi  
 7:00 pm Beginning Tai Chi

Cost: \$3 drop in residents, \$6 drop in non-residents  
 \$12 resident only for a 6-use punch card

Tai Chi is a gentle Chinese exercise system that may enhance strength and flexibility as well as reduce stress. Learning the Tai Chi form can be the beginning of a healthy, lifelong practice that can improve the quality of life of individuals who choose to practice it.

### YOGA FOR BEGINNERS

Instructor: Jeanne  
 When: Mondays  
 Time: 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm  
 Where: Saratoga Recreation Center  
 Cost: \$8 drop in, \$42 resident only for a 7-use punch card

Transform your mind, body and spirit! Yoga will improve your flexibility and strengthen your core muscles while banishing stress and tension. This relaxing but invigorating class promotes inner calmness using breathing techniques, balancing postures and stretching/floor work. Modifications available to meet all levels. Bring a yoga mat. Yoga blocks, strap and blanket/towel are very helpful. You can attend either yoga class offered with your punch card. \*



### HEALING YOGA

Instructor: Samantha  
 When: Tuesdays and Thursdays  
 Where: La Casita Recreation Center  
 When: 8:15 am - 9:15 am  
 Cost: \$8 drop in or \$42 resident only for a 7-use punch card

Hard to get up off the floor? Body having a hard time moving? Feeling every ache and pain? Come join us for gentle, therapeutic body movement. We gently move and stretch different parts of the body to help bring new life to tired parts! Also learn how to relax the mind, discovering how to relieve anxiety, bring better sleep, and not letting your worries take control over your mind. If you think your body has had it and can't do anything anymore – think again. Come join us for gentle recovery. You can try it lying on the floor, or even in a chair. Bring a yoga mat. You can attend either yoga class offered with your punch card. \*

### FITNESS IN THE PARK

Code: 5786 (January 2 - March 31)  
 Instructor: Nancy  
 When: MON./WED./FRI. 6:00 am - 6:45 am;  
 TUES. & THURS. 6:00 pm - 6:45 pm  
 Where: Laguna Park  
 Cost: \$10 residents, \$15 non-residents  
 RSVP: Contact the instructor with questions prior to class at 602-703-7822 or at [nancy@magillfitness.com](mailto:nancy@magillfitness.com)

**\$50 for 5: Get 1 session FREE. \$90 for 9: Get 3 sessions FREE!**

Your 1st class is **FREE!!!** Contact Nancy at 602-703-7822 or at [nancy@magillfitness.com](mailto:nancy@magillfitness.com) to reserve your first **FREE** class.



### ZUMBA

Instructor: Karen  
 When: Tuesdays  
 Where: La Casita Recreation Center  
 Time: 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm  
 Cost: \$7 drop in rate, \$30 resident only for a 5-use punch card

This is a fusion of Latin and International music that incorporates a variety of dance styles such as salsa, cumbia, bellydance, and reggaeton. This class combines high energy and motivating music to help you burn fat and tone your body. Even if you have never danced before, you will have a blast, because the routines are fun and easy to do. So what are you waiting for? Join the party and try Zumba today! \*

### FAIRYTALE DANCERS (AGES 3-5)

Code: 5799  
 When: Thursdays (February 27 - April 2)  
 Where: Saratoga Recreation Center  
 Time: 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm  
 Cost: **Registration fee due at time of enrollment: Residents \$5. Non-Residents \$10. Contractor fee due to the instructor the first day of program: \$30 check or cash only.**

Children will be introduced to dance through their favorite fairytales during this positive and encouraging class. Dance can build self-esteem and improve motor skills. Watch your prince or princess shine in this fun and creative program.

Children need soft-soled shoes and comfortable clothes. Ballet shoes, leotard and tights are recommended. There will be a performance on the last day of class. Children must be able to work in a group setting and follow directions. For more information on this program, contact Jana Moore at 480-363-9997.







### INTRO TO BALLET & JAZZ (AGES 4-6)

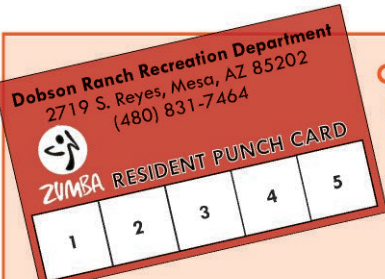
Code: 5798  
 When: Thursdays (February 27 - April 2)  
 Where: Saratoga Recreation Center  
 Time: 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm  
 Cost: **Registration fee due at time of enrollment: Residents \$5, Non-Residents \$10. Contractor fee due to instructor the first day of program: \$30 check or cash only.**

*In a fun, encouraging and high energy atmosphere, your child will be shown the fundamentals of ballet and jazz, which can help improve motor skills and creative expression. Soft-soled shoes or bare feet are recommended. Children must be able to work in a group setting. There will be a recital at the end of the session. For more information on this program, contact Jana Moore at 480-363-9997.*

### DANCE SAMPLER (AGES 5-8)

Code: 5800  
 When: Tuesdays (February 25 - March 31)  
 Where: Saratoga Recreation Center  
 Time: 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm  
 Cost: **Registration fee due at time of enrollment: Residents \$5, Non-Residents \$10. Contractor fee due to instructor the first day of program: \$30 check or cash only.**

*This upbeat and fun class is perfect to sample different dance styles which will include jazz, ballet, modern, hip hop, and other styles. Get moving with this upbeat and fun class and discover dance. For more information on this program, contact Jana Moore at 480-363-9997.*



**GET YOUR PUNCH CARDS FOR RECREATION CLASSES AT LA CASITA**

*\* Punch Cards may be punched one time for residents only per class. No additional punches for guests or residents. Punch Cards expire 2 months from purchase date.*

### ACTIVITIES

#### TEXAS HOLD'EM TOURNAMENT STYLE

When: 4th Friday of month (January 24)  
 Time: 6:30 pm (Arrive by 6:15 pm)  
 Where: Saratoga Recreation Center  
 Cost: Free to residents, \$5 non-residents  
 Must be 18 years of age or older.

*Poker night is a free monthly program for residents of Dobson Ranch. Come meet your neighbors for a friendly game.*

#### BUNCO

When: 3rd Friday of month (January 17)  
 Time: 6:30 pm (Arrive by 6:15 pm)  
 Where: Saratoga Recreation Center  
 Cost: Free to residents, \$5 non-residents

*This fast-paced, yet easy game, is played with dice. It's a fun social hour with other residents.*

#### BRIDGE GROUP

When: Mondays  
 Where: La Casita Recreation Center  
 Time: 12:30 pm - 3:30 pm

*Come join our Bridge group that meets every Monday. To join the group, please call **Bette Parrish** at 480-206-3514.*

### RECREATION CLASS INFORMATION

- REGISTRATION** for classes can be done on the Association website at [www.dobsonranch.com](http://www.dobsonranch.com) or at La Casita Community Center, 2719 S. Reyes, Mesa, AZ. Class fees are due during the registration process unless otherwise noted.
- QUESTIONS** on any recreation class or activity, you may contact La Casita Community desk at 480-831-7464.
- REFUNDS** – The Dobson Association reserves the right to establish fees and cost minimums for all programs and to cancel those programs not having sufficient enrollment. Program refunds will be issued for:
  - Cancellation of class by instructor or the Dobson Association will result in full refund.
  - Participants may cancel after first class or initial start date of class for a full refund.
  - Notification by participant prior to start date of illness or injury preventing participation during session time frame.
  - Discontinuance of participation due to injury or illness will be reviewed for consideration of prorated refund.
  - No other refunds will be given. No exceptions. Refund requests must be promptly submitted.



## DOBSON RANCH TENNIS ACADEMY



All lessons and events are held at the La Casita Recreation Center. La Casita is home to two outdoor racquetball courts available to residents and guests. Keys can be checked out at the Recreation Center during facility hours. All tennis sessions begin on the first of each month and run until the end of the month. Contact La Casita for more information at 480-831-7464 or visit [dobsonranch.com](http://dobsonranch.com).



### ADULTS

Dobson Ranch offers a full-range of programs and playing opportunities for ages 16+ and various ability levels. We focus on developing the complete player who can perform in any match situation at any level. Our tennis pro combines technical, mental and physical elements of the game to help build confidence and conditioning to ensure a positive, successful and fun experience.

#### Adult Skills & Drills

Geared for advanced beginners/intermediate players, this class focuses on technique and spin production on shots, as well as basic match strategies. Through structured drills, players will improve their playing consistency, build confidence, and learn how to generate more speed and power.

**7:00 pm - 8:30 pm** | Sessions: Monthly  
Monday, February 3, 10, 17, 24 **5791 \$40 R/\$60 NR**  
Wednesday, February 5, 12, 19, 26 **5792 \$40 R/\$60 NR**

#### Adult Beginner to Advanced Beginner

This class is for players who would like to learn the game or improve on their limited skills and get some fun exercise while doing so. Players will learn scoring to actual game playing and doing drills to help with self-improvement. Racket and balls will be provided.

**8:00 pm - 9:30 pm** | Sessions: Monthly  
Tuesday, February 4, 11, 18, 25 **5793 \$40 R/\$60 NR**  
Thursday, February 6, 13, 20, 27 **5794 \$40 R/\$60 NR**

#### Adult Weekday Doubles Play

If you enjoy playing doubles, but want to improve by doing various shot selections, direction, height, speed, and court positioning, then this will be a court-wise way to help improve your doubles game.

**8:30 pm - 10:00 pm** | Sessions: Monthly  
Monday, February 3, 10, 17, 24 **5795 \$40 R/\$60 NR**  
Wednesday, February 5, 12, 19, 26 **5796 \$40 R/\$60 NR**

### PRIVATE INSTRUCTION

Private tennis lessons are available for individual one-on-one instruction with the Dobson Ranch Tennis Professional. Please call **Kwong Young** at 480-759-2248 or [kyoung@dobsonranch.com](mailto:kyoung@dobsonranch.com) to schedule private lessons. The Dobson Ranch tennis courts are for exclusive use of Dobson Ranch residents and of the Association Tennis Professional. Other professionals are not to teach classes, lessons or clinics on our Association courts at any time. To ensure the Ranch tennis program remains viable, Dobson Ranch residents should consult the Association Tennis Pro for all tennis instruction. No outside tennis professionals are permitted on Association courts.

### Adult Saturday Doubles

If you enjoy playing doubles, but want to improve by doing various shot selections, direction, height, speed, and court positioning, then this will be a court-wise way to help improve your doubles game.

**8:30 am - 10:00 am** | Sessions: Monthly  
Sat., February 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 **5797 \$50 R/\$75 NR**

### JUNIORS

The mission of Dobson Ranch junior tennis is to provide quality instruction in a fun and friendly atmosphere with a multilevel juniors program from the youngest beginners to sanctioned tournament players. Each tennis student's placement is based on age, experience and a challenge ladder. Classes combine energized drills, fun games, match play, and conditioning. Our goal is for students to reach a higher level of play and learn to love a sport they will play for a lifetime. Bring a friend!

#### Junior Clinic

This class is for junior tennis players ages 7-12 looking for an introduction to tennis. This class will introduce basic technique through fun drills and games. Learn how to serve into the correct service box, how to keep score, how to properly rotate the racquet, and how to sustain a rally. If you don't already have a racquet, our tennis pro will fit your child for the proper racquet size during the first class.

**6:00 pm - 7:00 pm** | Sessions: Monthly  
Monday, February 3, 10, 17, 24 **5787 \$40 R/\$60 NR**  
Wednesday, February 5, 12, 19, 26 **5788 \$40 R/\$60 NR**

**5:30 pm - 6:30 pm** | Sessions: Monthly  
Tuesday, February 4, 11, 18, 25 **5789 \$40 R/\$60 NR**  
Thursday, February 6, 13, 20, 27 **5790 \$40 R/\$60 NR**

#### Monthly Round Robin Social\*

This monthly social is a fantastic way to meet other tennis players in the community. Players will participate in doubles and mixed-doubles matches in a round-robin format, assorted by levels. No matter what your playing level is, come out and meet other tennis players in a fun, relaxed setting.

**Saturday | 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm**

\*February Social 2/22

**FREE!** Adults 16+ (Register in advance, space is limited.)



## Announcing the Score: Tennis Tip for January



**By Kwong Young - USPTA Tennis Professional/  
Dobson Ranch Tennis Professional**

When playing, to avoid conflicts or confusion, the server needs to make it a habit to announce the score before every delivery to the receiver.

Many times, servers don't always announce the score, although it is their responsibility. This would help to avoid disputation and assure that both parties will be on the same page.

However, the other part during the match is the question asked commonly "Are You Sure" about the line calls.



## Table and Chair Rentals



Make your next at home event great with the convenience of renting tables and chairs right in your community. The Dobson Association not only rents out facilities for private rentals, but renting of chairs and tables not held on a ranch facility are also available.

We can accommodate a rental of up to 140 metal framed folding chairs and 15 rectangular 6' by 3' tables. The resident must schedule to pick up and drop off the chairs and tables at La Casita Recreation Center. A refundable security deposit of a minimum of \$50 is due in cash or credit card.

## Sunset Plaza Rentals

Got a special event or party planned, but don't have a venue selected? In addition to our Grande and Chica Rooms at La Casita Recreation Center, or Saratoga Recreation Center, our outdoor **Sunset Plaza** at La Casita is available to rent for parties and special occasions. Rental pricing is as follows:

	Patio Only	Patio with Grande Room	Patio with Grande/Chica
Resident	\$125/hr	\$225/hr	\$265/hr
Non-Resident	\$250/hr	\$400/hr	\$440/hr
After-Hour Fee	N	N	N
Set-up Fee	N	N	N
Kitchen	\$75	\$75	\$75
Playground Access	Y	Y	Y
Pool Access	Y	Y	Y
Deposit	\$300	\$500	\$600



## NOW AVAILABLE! ODYSSEA ADVANTAGE DISCOUNT TICKETS

ATTRACTION	TICKET PRICE	ADVANTAGE PRICE
<b>OdySea Aquarium</b> Adult/Child (2-12 yrs.)	\$39.95/\$29.95	\$25.95/\$22.95
<b>Butterfly Wonderland</b> Adult/Child (2-12 yrs.)	\$24.95/\$13.95	\$20.95/\$12.95
<b>Titanic: The Artifact Exhibition</b> Adult/Child (2-12 yrs.)	\$24.95/\$14.95	\$15.95/\$14.95
<b>Surprise Your Eyes</b> Adult or Child	\$15.00	\$8.00
<b>Polar Play</b> Adult/Child (2-12 yrs.)	\$20.00/\$16.00	\$8.00/\$6.00

Visit [dobsonranchhoa.com/discounted-tickets](http://dobsonranchhoa.com/discounted-tickets) for details.

## Harkins Theatres

ULTIMATE MOVIEGOING

### MOVIE TICKETS FOR SALE

in the Dobson Ranch Recreation Dept.  
2719 S. Reyes  
Mesa, AZ 85202  
480-831-7464

**\$18 FOR 2 TICKETS**



## JOUST FOR YOU!

# 32ND ANNUAL ARIZONA RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL & ARTISAN MARKETPLACE



**EIGHT FESTIVE WEEKENDS**

**FEBRUARY 8<sup>TH</sup> THRU APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup>**

**SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS & PRESIDENTS' DAY  
10:00 AM - 6:00 PM**

**BUY TICKETS NOW**

**DISCOUNT TICKETS ON SALE  
LA CASITA RECREATION DEPT.  
2719 S REYES, MESA 85202  
480-831-7464**

**ADULT \$25  
CHILD \$15**



DOBSON RANCH

# SPRING Break CAMP

Ages 6-12 yrs.

Daily Themes!

Monday thru Friday  
8am - 5pm  
**MARCH 9-13**



Saratoga Recreation Center  
2345 S. Saratoga

Contact the Recreation Dept. for more info at 480-831-7464 • [dobsonranch.com](http://dobsonranch.com)

## La Casita Preschool Registration

Limited Space!  
10 children per class

- field trips
- plays & programs
- show and tell
- arts & crafts
- science
- music/motion
- math
- dramatic play
- practical life
- holiday parties

**Tuesday, February 11**  
8:00 am  
(residents only)

**Tuesday, February 18**  
8:00 am  
(non-residents)



To Register: Place a \$50 deposit to hold your spot! Deposit will go toward your tuition fee. A one-time \$40 registration fee will also be due for new students.

Program Dates: 2020-21 School Year - August 10 - May 19  
Summer Session - June 1 - July 17, 2020

Call 480-831-7464 or email [jfeltmann@dobsonranchhoa.com](mailto:jfeltmann@dobsonranchhoa.com) for class offerings and pricing.

HOSTED BY THE DOBSON RANCH RETIREES' CLUB

## Parcake Breakfast

**SATURDAY**  
April 4, 2020  
8:00-10:00 am

La Casita Rec. Center  
2719 S. Reyes

**\$3** per person  
(cash only)  
Kids under 2 FREE!

Bring your family and friends!



480-831-7464  
Held in conjunction with the Spring Expo



## Retirees' Club

By Frank Saavedra, *President*

The **Dobson Ranch Retirees' (DRR) Club** has been experiencing a growth in recent months, and we are expecting the new year to find that trend continuing. We are the largest group on the Ranch, and we have a vested interest in keeping Dobson Ranch one of the best places to live. We help with the Ranch **Fall Festival**, and **Breakfast with Santa** events.

The Retirees' Club again adopted families through the **St. Vincent DePaul Charities** for Christmas. Gifts were brought by club members to the December meeting, volunteers met a few days later to wrap all the gifts, and the gifts were delivered to the families before Christmas. This is a way of providing happiness to those in need, and it also warms the heart of those who give.

The DRR Club provides so many things to all members. We have hiking, biking, a dinner night out, a happy hour night, lunches, breakfasts, game days, afternoon at the movies, day trips, picnics, and a general club meeting with lunch. Our meetings are aimed at providing a venue for social interaction, and that frequently results in our members finding new friendships. New members find so much more than just the many fun club activities that are available to them.

### God Bless You!

Frank

Photos below are from the **Retirees' General Meeting**, which featured a **Holiday Luncheon** and induction of new officers on December 2.

## Retirees' Schedule

### GENERAL MEETING

The Club's regular General Meeting will be held on Monday, February 3rd at 9:30 am at La Casita Recreation Center.

### BOARD MEETING

The next Retirees' Board Meeting will be on Monday, February 17 at 9:00 am (*location to be determined*).

The following is a list of activities open to all Dobson Ranch Retirees' Club members. If you are interested in any of the following, please contact that committee chair to receive more information.

DAY TRIPPERS	Marilyn Krouse	480-620-9311
DINNER NIGHT OUT	Linda Kosko	480-510-4990
HAPPY HOUR	Tanya Andrew	602-723-9106
MEN'S BREAKFAST	Dick Krouse	480-620-9310
MOVIE DAY	Judie Bielo	480-215-8656
FUN & GAME DAY	Judie Bielo	480-215-8656
LADIES LUNCH	Jeanne Collins	480-353-8604
BICYCLE RIDING	Arnie Chase	480-838-4124
HIKING	Barbara Stout	602-740-3213
PICNICS	Gerry/Susie Payne	480-225-1885

If you are interested in joining the Dobson Ranch Retirees' Club, please contact **Dovie Bryant** at [dlbryant1@cox.net](mailto:dlbryant1@cox.net).





## Retirees' Hiking Club

By **Barbara Stout**, Retirees' Hiking Club Chairperson

### Upcoming January hikes include:

**January 10** - McDowell Mountain at Fountain Hills Pemberton Trail to Lariat to Granite. **Clippers 8.5 miles.**

**January 15** - Usery West Pass Mountain - **Pacers**, Pass Mountain - **Clippers 7.5 miles**

**January 17** - Estrella Mountains: Quail to Rainbow Valley to Toothaker to Baseline to Saddle to Quail - **Clippers 8.7 miles**

**January 22** - Estrella Mountains: Quail to Rainbow Valley to Toothaker in and out - **Pacers**

**January 24** - San Tan Mountains: Goldmine to San Tan to Dynamite Trail in and out **Clippers 8 miles**

**January 29** - White Tank Mountains: Mule Deer Trail - **Pacers** and **Clippers 4.5 miles**

**January 31** - Estrella Mountains: Toothaker to Pederson to Gadsden to Butterfield - **Clippers 10.6 miles**

**NOTE: Clippers** are our faster and longer hikes. Friday hikes are for the **Clippers** only because of the length of the hike. We leave La Casita Recreation Center at 8:00 am on the day of the hike.

**Photos below are from our December 11 hike to McDowell Regional Park Escondido Trail at Lousley Hill Trailhead:**



Additional hikes are now being scheduled for February through April. For more information about any of the hikes scheduled in January, please contact me at [stoutgeo@gmail.com](mailto:stoutgeo@gmail.com).

**Happy trails!** - Barbara

## Women's Club

By **Patty Smith**, Women's Club Representative

May this beginning of a new Decade be kinder and healthier than last year. Let's "Pass it Forward" and make our world a better place.

Bunco was hosted by **Miss Mike**. We had lots of laughs and Buncos. She made two delicious soups. We had a Christmas

cookie exchange, too.

This month's hostess is **Vicky** on Friday, January 17th. Laurie will send out info.

**Chris, Jacque** and **Phyllis** still need our prayers and support. We wish them strength in their efforts. You will succeed!

**Bark in the Park** is Saturday, January 25th. I know my "kids" appreciate the freedom to run.

The College Bowl games are past. Maybe my Team won! Now, the Valley prepares for the Phoenix Golf Tournament and the Amazing Car Auctions. These are worth attending, if you haven't been before.

Happy 2020!

**Blessings,** Patty

## Pickleball Club

By **Rich Bitner**, Recreation Committee Pickleball Representative

### Christmas Pickleball Extravaganza a Huge Success!

Dobson Ranch pickleball celebrated Christmas on December 14 with our annual **Holiday Tournament**. There were 16 players on eight mixed doubles teams that competed in a round-robin format. We completed all seven rounds in great spirits and with no injuries reported! As always, we enjoyed some excellent seasonal snacks and there was an exchange of Christmas-themed ornaments which in some way involved a pickleball.

Unfortunately, the Elves at the Mizner-Gillies Studios went out on strike again this year, protesting a hostile work environment, so all the participants were charged with creating their own artistic contribution for the gift exchange.



### Next stop, our annual Valentine's Day Massacre Competition.

Meanwhile, many of our residents and some of our regular guests are starting league play in early January, so there will be some coming and going, with regulars missing some of our drop-in play days, and other times we will have extra players out on the courts at odd times getting in some practice sessions.

Our "Winter" hours continue until the heat is on again: 8:00 am start for morning play on Monday and Saturday mornings. Evening play will continue at 7:00 pm throughout the Winter on Tuesdays, and for our social group play on Monday and Thursday evenings.

For schedule updates and cancellations due to adverse weather, check the DR website at: [www.dobsonranchhoa.com/activities](http://www.dobsonranchhoa.com/activities).

Or, you can contact me ([rbitner@cs.com](mailto:rbitner@cs.com)) or **Frank Mizner** ([planner1948@gmail.com](mailto:planner1948@gmail.com)) for further info, to get referrals for professional

instruction, and to get on our email list for announcements regarding pickleball schedules and activities.

Happy New Year!  
**Pickle-On!!**





## Garden Club

By Donna Chapman, Garden Club Representative



Many of us have "bucket lists"... things we would like to do or see. For many gardeners and flower lovers, the big bucket list item is **The Chelsea Flower Show** in England. While the Garden Club isn't going to England on January 21, we are going to learn all about the show.

We will meet at the Saratoga Recreation Center at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, January 21.

The Chelsea Flower Show is sponsored by the **Royal Horticulture Society**. It has been held on the grounds of the Royal Hospital Chelsea, London every year since 1913, except for during the two World Wars.

Want to know about tickets for the five-day event May 19-23, 2020? Need to know the dress code? (Probably not Arizona casual!) Want to see visuals of the show? (Linda Larson will work her magic.) Please join us on January 21. All Ranch residents and their guests are welcome.



Start packing your bags!

## Dobson Ranch Independents

By Jack Wagner, Chairman

### WHY you ask? You know why!

Because of the above question and your reply, which is ???

If you need help formulating that response, you may wish to check out the following websites:

<http://independearizona.com>

<https://www.independentamericanparty.org>

How did I answer the question above?

Well, my Dad always said to me, "Son, do what you gotta do!" I got tired of the cop-out reply, "I've always been a Democrat or a Republican."



Today, there is a very viable alternative, representing a significant percentage of that voting population. I have chosen to be part of that statistic.

I encourage you to **GetConnected**: A place where you can tell **why** above, a place where "we can talk" and stay current with happenings today; and, most importantly, a place where we can "do what we have to do," as a significant day in November 2020 approaches.

For more information, contact me at [golfingjack@msn.com](mailto:golfingjack@msn.com).

Jack Wagner, a Dobson Ranch resident since 1979.

## Dobson Ranch Democrats & Friends Club

By Jill Snyder, Treasurer

**WHEN:** Wednesday, Feb. 12, 2020  
6:00 – 6:30 pm Networking  
6:30 – 8:00 pm Meeting and Program

**WHERE:** Goody's Restaurant  
1862 W. Baseline Road  
Mesa, AZ 85202  
(NW corner, across the street from Albertson's.)  
Light refreshments provided. Cash bar.



### MEETING SPEAKERS:

- Ryan Tate - candidate for County Attorney
- Don Toporek - candidate for State Treasurer

### We welcome you to our open meetings.

As always, we will provide light snacks, so bring some friends invite your neighbors, and join us as we will have very special guests that you won't want to miss!

**Questions:** George Tihanyi 480-792-6746 or Jill Snyder 617-504-3990 or [jillsny@gmail.com](mailto:jillsny@gmail.com).

**Donations are always appreciated:**

<https://secure.actblue.com/donate/drdf2019>

**Like us on Facebook:**

<https://www.facebook.com/DobsonRanchDemocrats>

**Join our Meet-Up group:** <https://www.meetup.com/LD18-Dems>



## Dobson Ranch Republicans

By Bob Schuster, Chairman & Michelle Masters, Vice-Chairman

The Dobson Ranch Republicans wish everyone a happy and prosperous New Year. Among the many blessings we enjoy as Americans is the constitutional right to elect our leaders, and the next election is rapidly approaching. We are inviting all Republican candidates to come to our monthly meetings over the next 10 months. And if you share the conservative values of less government and more freedom, you are invited to come and meet them and hear their positions on issues that are of vital importance to all of us. Attendees are encouraged to ask questions and share their views with the candidates.

### Our next meeting:

**WHEN:** Thursday, February 6

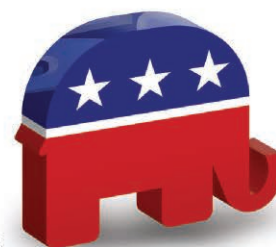
Meet, Greet and Eat (no host) 6:30 - 7:00 pm

Guest Speakers, Q&A, Open Discussion 7:00 - 8:30 pm

**WHERE:** Native Grill & Wings

1837 W. Guadalupe Road  
Mesa, AZ 85202

**Get connected:** Join our email list to stay up-to-date on meeting highlights, including guest speakers at [www.DobsonRanchGOP@gmail.com](mailto:www.DobsonRanchGOP@gmail.com) and visit our **Facebook** page at [Facebook.com/DobsonRanchRepublican](https://www.facebook.com/DobsonRanchRepublican).





## Programs at the Dobson Ranch Library

January 14, 2020 - January 30, 2020

### Preschool Storytime

Tuesday, January 14, 2020

10:30 am - 11:00 am - Dobson Meeting Room

Join us for songs, stories, words, letters, numbers, and general silliness in this storytime designed to get children ready for kindergarten. Ages 3-5.



### Stargazing Party

Tuesday, January 14, 2020

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm - Dobson Meeting Room

Are you fascinated by the stars? Members from the South Mountain Astronomy Club will be available to help point out items to view using our in-house telescope. While you are here, check out a telescope and take it home to continue your space exploration! Note: This event will be held outside, so please dress appropriately.

### Baby Lapsit

Wednesday, January 15, 2020

9:30 am - 10:00 am - Dobson Meeting Room

Baby Lapsit introduces the rhythm and beauty of language to babies. Birth to 16 months.



### Preschool Storytime

Wednesday, January 15, 2020

1:00 pm - 1:30 pm - Dobson Meeting Room

Join us for songs, stories, words, letters, numbers, and general silliness in this storytime designed to get children ready for kindergarten. Ages 3-5.

### Toddler Time

Thursday, January 16, 2020

10:30 am - 11:00 am - Dobson Meeting Room

Toddler time incorporates stories, music and movement into an engaging storytime for children. Ages 16-36 months.



### Code Commanders

Thursday, January 16, 2020

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm - Dobson Meeting Room

Code Commanders is a weekly series that challenges and builds its young users' understanding of how coding works. Ages 8-12.

### Craft Night: Upcycling

Thursday, January 16, 2020

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm - Dobson Meeting Room

This month we'll be "upcycling" by giving old things, and even trash, new life.



### First Five Years™

Friday, January 17, 2020 (first date of 4-session series)

10:00 am - 11:30 am - Dobson Meeting Room

First Five Years™ is a 4-session series that provides the latest skills and information for parenting children ages

0-5. Topics include: Temperament, Brain Development, Positive Discipline, and School Readiness. Childcare will be provided. Registration required. Registering for the first class in the series registers you for all 4 classes.



### Paws to Read

Saturday, January 18, 2020

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Pets like books, too! Drop in and read to registered therapy animals and their handlers.



Monday, January 20, 2020

**LIBRARY CLOSED FOR MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY**

All Day

### Preschool Storytime

Tuesday, January 21, 2020

10:30 am - 11:00 am - Dobson Meeting Room

Join us for songs, stories, words, letters, numbers, and general silliness in this storytime designed to get children ready for kindergarten. Ages 3-5.



### Overdrive, Libby, and the Greater Phoenix Digital Library

Tuesday, January 21, 2020

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm - Dobson Meeting Room

Learn how to use the Libby and Overdrive apps to download ebooks and audiobooks from the Greater Phoenix Digital Library to your smartphone or tablet. Please bring your device, email address, and password. If you are using a Kindle, please bring your Amazon account information. Adults.



### Baby Lapsit

Wednesday, January 22, 2020

9:30 am - 10:00 am - Dobson Meeting Room

Baby Lapsit introduces the rhythm and beauty of language to babies. Birth to 16 months.

### Preschool Storytime

Wednesday, January 22, 2020

1:00 pm - 1:30 pm - Dobson Meeting Room

Join us for songs, stories, words, letters, numbers, and general silliness in this storytime designed to get children ready for kindergarten. Ages 3-5.



### Smart Cycling Fundamentals

Wednesday, January 22, 2020

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm - Dobson Meeting Room

During this introductory workshop, learn about basic bicycle techniques, rules, and equipment, plus get a brief update on Mesa's bicycle projects and events. All participants will receive free bicycle safety gear. Presented by the **City of Mesa Bicycle and Pedestrian Program**. Ages 12+.

### Toddler Time

Thursday, January 23, 2020

10:30 am - 11:00 am - Dobson Meeting Room

Toddler time incorporates stories, music and movement into an engaging storytime for children. Ages 16-36 months.

### Code Commanders

Thursday, January 23, 2020

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm - Dobson Meeting Room

Code Commanders is a weekly series that challenges and builds its young users' understanding of how coding works. Ages 8-12.



### Candy Sushi

Thursday, January 23, 2020

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm - Dobson Meeting Room

Teens, does sushi gross you out? Then join us for candy sushi making. All culinary supplies will be provided so you can make sugary delicacies. Ages 12-18.

### First Five Years™

Friday, January 24, 2020 (second date of 4-session series)

10:00 am - 11:30 am - Dobson Meeting Room



**Lego Club****Saturday, January 25, 2020****1:30 pm - 2:30 pm - Dobson Meeting Room**

Come explore your creative side at the library with LEGO. Children can either follow a monthly theme or build from their imaginations. LEGO and DUPLO blocks will be provided.

**Advanced Microsoft Excel****Monday, January 27, 2020****10:30 am - 12:00 pm - Dobson Meeting Room**

Learn advanced Excel topics like how to create pivot tables, how to use multiple spreadsheets, and how to use absolute references, vlookup, and other techniques. Proficiency in Intermediate Microsoft Excel is required. Must be comfortable using a mouse and a keyboard. Adults.

**Exercise Your Brain and Learn to Code****Monday, January 27, 2020****6:00 pm - 7:30 pm - Dobson Meeting Room**

Learning to code isn't as hard as you think. Using puzzles and games, you'll learn the basics of different coding languages and be able to show off what you've created to family and friends. Must be comfortable using a mouse and a keyboard. Adults.

**Preschool Storytime****Tuesday, January 28, 2020****10:30 am - 11:30 am - Dobson Meeting Room**

Join us for songs, stories, words, letters, numbers, and general silliness in this storytime designed to get children ready for kindergarten. Ages 3-5.

**STEAM at the Ranch: Light Up Wands****Tuesday, January 28, 2020****4:00 pm - 5:00 pm - Dobson Meeting Room**

This month we'll be learning about circuits and making light up wands.

**Baby Lapsit****Wednesday, January 29, 2020****9:30 am - 10:00 am - Dobson Meeting Room**

Baby Lapsit introduces the rhythm and beauty of language to babies. Birth to 16 months.

**Preschool Storytime****Wednesday, January 29, 2020****1:00 pm - 1:30 pm - Dobson Meeting Room**

Join us for songs, stories, words, letters, numbers, and general silliness in this storytime designed to get children ready for kindergarten. Ages 3-5.

**Toddler Time****Thursday, January 30, 2020****10:30 am - 11:00 am - Dobson Meeting Room**

Toddler Time incorporates stories, music and movement into an engaging storytime for children. Ages 16-36 months.

See [mesalibrary.org/events](http://mesalibrary.org/events) for additional events in January.



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**LIBRARY HOURS**

Monday - Thursday:  
10:00 am - 8:00 pm  
Friday & Saturday:  
10:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Sunday - CLOSED

**Mesa Chamber of Commerce Events****Ribbon Cutting - Fitness:1440™****Tuesday, January 14, 2020****4:00 pm - 5:00 pm****Fitness:1440™****1020 W. Southern Avenue, Mesa**

Join us for this great opportunity to meet new local businesses and celebrate the success of Fitness:1440™. The founder launched the company in 2011, on the premise of giving more than they take. Fitness:1440™ exists to provide the resources, insights and support you need to feel your best. The community is invited to attend.

**Ribbon Cutting - Vista Grove Preparatory Academy****Tuesday, January 21, 2020****9:00 am - 10:00 am****Vista Grove Preparatory Academy****2929 E. McKellips Road, Mesa**

Vista Grove Preparatory Academy serves K-8th grade students in and around metropolitan Mesa. Vista Grove provides free transportation on their five school buses so that all children have access to the learning and programs they offer. The community is invited to attend, come celebrate with us. Ribbon cutting is at 9:30 am.

**Women's Business Connection - Residence Inn****Tuesday, January 28, 2020****11:30 am - 1:00 pm****Residence Inn Phoenix/Mesa****941 W. Grove Avenue, Mesa**

We have reorganized the sessions into a year of strong women presenters focused on growing your business. Meet the team behind this new lineup, and hear their vision for moving the Women's Business Connection to a new level of excellence.

**Ribbon Cutting - 202 RV Valet Storage****Thursday, January 30, 2020****3:00 pm - 4:00 pm****202 RV Valet Storage -****8847 E. Main St., Mesa**

At 202 RV Valet Storage they do their very best to accommodate every need of their tenants with quality customer service and convenience. The community is invited to attend, so why not celebrate this great day with us! Ribbon cutting is at 3:15 pm.

**2020 Historic Home Tour - Sirrinc House****Saturday, February 1, 2020****10:00 am - 4:00 pm****Sirrinc House - 160 N. Center Street, Mesa**

Help us celebrate the 20th anniversary of our Annual Historic Home Tour! This year we are featuring the Evergreen Historic District and the Second Street District with special stops at the Sirrinc House, Irving School, the Mesa Women's Club, and the Mitten House. Visit [mesachamber.org/events](http://mesachamber.org/events) for details.



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For more information, or to register for an event, please visit the Chamber's website at [www.mesachamber.org/events](http://www.mesachamber.org/events).



## Ready, Set, Learn

by **Laurie Struna**, Media Communications Specialist, Communications and Engagement/MPS



Photo 1

Kindergarten at Mesa Public Schools is the perfect jumpstart for early learning. With kindergarten registration just around the corner, schools and parents are preparing young learners for the big day.

Kindergarten is a time of great discovery and growth, and a big transition for parents and children. **Rachelle Sears** teaches kindergarten at Las Sendas Elementary School and shares the rigor in kindergarten is higher than it was 10 years ago.

“Today, children are more likely to attend full-day kindergarten,” Sears says. “There is a heavier focus on reading and math. The rigor of writing has shifted away from scribbling and random letters to more phonetic spelling.”

Sears incorporates whole body movements and music, making lessons fun for students to help them retain information. For example, when teaching students letters, they learn the sound, how to sign it and sing songs that incorporate the letter they are learning.

### Preparing students for a successful year

Over the last few years, the district has been taking a closer look at social and emotional lessons to help students develop the self-awareness, self-control and interpersonal skills vital for school, work and life. People with strong social and emotional skills are better able to cope with everyday challenges.

“Giving students a preview of kindergarten by visiting campus and attending events before school starts helps students be at ease on their first day,” Sears says.

Preparing emotional kindergarten parents is just as important. Research shows that if parents are engaged in their children’s school lives, it builds stronger connections and creates a positive learning environment.

### Building a better future

Teachers meet every child where they are to help them achieve. Falcon Hill Elementary kindergarten teacher **Babette Haynie** uses a variety of resources to ensure students succeed, including researching new strategies, incorporating technology, and observing and collaborating with other master teachers.

“Helping students learn new concepts, and watching and cultivating a passion for learning is what teachers do every day,” Haynie says.

Kindergarten registration begins Monday, January 27, 2020, with evening registration on Wednesday, January 29.

If you’re unsure about your child’s kindergarten readiness, have a milestones discussion with their preschool teacher or pediatrician. Consider speaking with the principal or a kindergarten teacher at your child’s future school, and explore the school’s website for helpful information.

Learn more at [mpsaz.org/kindergarten](https://mpsaz.org/kindergarten).



Photo 2

*Photo 1: Montessori kindergarten student at Pomeroy Elementary manipulates letters with her hands, making learning easier.*  
*Photo 2: 2019 Kindergarten Transition Fair*  
Photos by **Tim Hacker**/Mesa Public Schools

## The Dobson High School Band Program Needs Your Help!

Are you cleaning out those closets, need room in your garage, going to Goodwill? We are having our annual **Community Rummage Sale** to support our student musicians on February 22, 2020.

Let **Dobson High School** take those donations off your hands right now or bring them to the event that morning. We can accept gently used clothing, books, appliances, computers, furniture (*no mattresses*), toys, tools, housewares, and electronics.

The money raised will help support Concert, Marching, and Jazz Bands at Dobson High. Please call 602-625-8170 or email [dobsonhsbands@gmail.com](mailto:dobsonhsbands@gmail.com).





## CENTER FOR DIGITAL GOVERNMENT



Mesa has made the top 10 list among cities with populations of 500,000 or more in the **Center for Digital Government's 2019 Digital Cities Survey**. Now in its 19th year, the annual survey recognizes cities using technology to tackle social challenges, enhance services, strengthen security and more.

"I am very proud of our employees who have collaborated to make the City of Mesa more secure, user-friendly, efficient and resilient," **City Manager Chris Brady** said. "Their dedication and innovative efforts are making technology a driver of better, smarter and more responsive government as our population continues to grow. This award is a great recognition of that."

Mesa placed 6th among cities in its category. San Diego was rated at the top of the list. Other cities in the top 10 include Los Angeles, San Jose, Denver, Dallas, Phoenix and Charlotte.

The survey praised Mesa for several digital accomplishments:

- Creation of the comprehensive Smart City Master Plan in 2018, recognized as one of the City's forward-looking priorities for local government.
- Focusing on improving daily life rather than rolling out tech-heavy applications, highlighting the City's more thoughtful approach to digital deployments. This includes the incremental expansion of City-owned fiber infrastructure to better connect smart city technology.
- The Mesa Active Development Map, created by the City's Data Engineering and Analytics Team, is a way of being transparent with data including financial information and reviewing the progress of projects.
- Data is also used to improve services, including the deployment of public safety resources. For example, the City used data from public safety calls to better assess which neighborhoods needed additional fire and police stations, with the goal of improving response times to emergencies.
- Being proactive with cybersecurity, including mandatory awareness training for all employees.

"The City of Mesa and the other top digital cities are taking the IT department far beyond the role of service provider," **Mesa Chief Information Officer Travis Cutright** said. "We are exploring creative ways to leverage our technology investments and redefining the role of the public-sector technology leader at the city level."

For more information, visit [www.govtech.com](http://www.govtech.com).

## 2020 MUSICAL THEATRE SEASON



Coming soon to **MESA COMMUNITY COLLEGE**



**MCC Performing Arts Center - February 6, 7, 8 at 7:30 pm and February 8 at 2:00 pm**

General Public - \$18.00, Student/Senior (55+)/Staff/Military - \$15.00, and Children - \$12.00. Tickets are available online, by phone (480-461-7172) or at the Box Office.

**Company** - On the night of his 35th birthday, Robert contemplates his unmarried state. Over the course of a series of dinners, drinks and even a wedding, his friends – "those good and crazy people [his] married friends" – explain the pros and cons of taking on a spouse. The habitually single Robert is forced to question his adamant retention of bachelorhood during a hilarious array of interactions.

\*Adult themes and content.

### Directions and Parking:

The Performing Arts Center is located at 1520 South Longmore in Mesa, just south of Southern Avenue on Longmore. Parking is free.



**MCC Performing Arts Center - March 27, 28, 30 and April 2, 3, 4 at 7:30 pm and April 4 at 2:00 pm**

General Public - \$18.00, Senior (55+)/Student/Staff/Military - \$15.00, and Children - \$12.00. Tickets are available online, by phone (480-461-7172) or at the Box Office.

**Kiss Me, Kate!** - Egotistical leading man, director, and producer Fred is reunited with his ex-wife, Lilli, when the two are forced to play opposite one another in a new production of Shakespeare's *Taming of the Shrew*. The battle of the sexes continues onstage and off.

### Directions and Parking:

The Performing Arts Center is located at 1520 South Longmore in Mesa, just south of Southern Avenue on Longmore. Parking is free.



## The Holiday Magic of the Lighted Boat Parade

A little rain didn't take the shine off our parade on Saturday, December 7. Residents came ready to brave the evening storm with hoodies, rain slickers and umbrellas just to catch a glittering glimpse of the **Sixth Annual Lighted Boat Parade**.

Ranchers were treated to cookies, brownies, popcorn, hot apple cider and cocoa served by the Recreation Staff as well as to the sounds of the season sung by the **Dobson High School Chorus** and the **Dickens Carolers**.

This year's Boat Parade set sail with more than 20 boats participating in the popular finale to our **Winter Wonderland** event. Not all of the boats are shown here. But, you can visit our **Facebook** page to see photos of all of the boats.

Our judges made their picks and the winners of the competition are shown below. A great BIG thank you to all those residents who participated in the parade, and to those brave ranchers who didn't let a little rain stop them!



**WINNER: Best Use of Lights**  
Rick and Carmen Riedel

**WINNER: Holiday Spirit**  
Chad and Tracy Garretson

**WINNER: Best Small Boat Participant**  
Citta Anspach (kayak) and Zoe Anspach



**WINNER: Originality (Pirate Ship)**  
Wes and Cheryl VerWoert and Family

**WINNER: The WOW Factor**  
The Ahnen Family

**WINNER: The WOW Factor**

We hope to see you all at next year's Boat Parade!



## Mesa Becomes First-Ever Autism Certified City in U.S.



The Thibault Family visited Mesa to experience all Mesa has to offer to families traveling with children on the autism spectrum.

Mesa is the first-ever **Autism Certified City** in the U.S. designated by the **International Board of Credentialing and Continuing Education Standards (IBCCES)**, the result of nearly a year-long quest to tailor travel experiences for individuals with autism and their families.

The effort behind the designation was launched by **Visit Mesa**, the leading regional destination marketing organization, to encourage businesses to participate in specialized autism training geared toward executives and front-facing hospitality and service staff to better recognize **Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)** and service the needs of ASD travelers from the planning stages of a vacation to when they arrive in the destination, and throughout their stay. **Marc Garcia**, *Visit Mesa's* CEO, ignited the effort after his 6-year-old son was diagnosed with autism.



"With Visit Mesa leading the charge, Mesa, Arizona is rolling out the welcome mat for individuals on the autism spectrum," said Mesa Mayor **John Giles**. "We commend Marc Garcia and the staff at Visit Mesa for their vision."

In total, almost 60 businesses and organizations in Mesa and the surrounding area completed autism certification training, and are now each deemed a **Certified Autism Center** by IBCCES. The effort was immediately embraced by other city factions including the **Mesa Chamber of Commerce** and numerous non-profit organizations.

More than 500 Mesa Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities employees and 1,200-plus Mesa Police Department public safety and law enforcement officers are fully

committed to autism certification training. To date, nearly 4,000 community members have completed or committed to the autism certification.

See complete list and learn more about the initiative, visit [www.AutismTravelAz.com](http://www.AutismTravelAz.com).

"Our goal is to ensure individuals with autism and their families enjoy an ideal vacation in Mesa, Ariz.," said Marc Garcia, president & CEO of Visit Mesa. "As a parent of a child diagnosed on the spectrum, not only is inclusivity the right thing to do, it makes business sense."

Visit Mesa also completed the training. In April 2019, IBCCES named Visit Mesa the country's first-ever destination marketing organization designated as a **Certified Autism Center**. Visitors can download the **Autism Travel Guide**, a helpful travel planning resource featuring all Mesa-area Certified Autism Centers and participate in the **Visit Mesa Autism Travel GeoTour**.

For almost 20 years, IBCCES has been the industry leader in autism training for licensed healthcare professionals and educators around the globe. Florida-based IBCCES created training and certification programs after recognizing that many families with children who have special needs have limited travel options.

"IBCCES certifies organizations around the globe," said **Myron Pincomb**, *IBCCES Board Chairman*. "Mesa stands out for the drive of its leaders and the commitment, passion and engagement of the business community. We're proud to say that through this partnership and the IBCCES certification, individuals with autism or sensory sensitivities can feel confident they will have a positive experience in Mesa."

*Special thanks to Michelle Streeter, SVP Visit Mesa for article/photos.*



## Think Global – Act Local

by Kathrine Blomquist, Water Management Committee Member

Can you name the largest civic-focused day of action in the world? Here's a hint... it is celebrating its 50th Anniversary in 2020. It's **Earth Day!** Fifty years ago on April 22nd, Earth Day started in the United States with protests about the negative impacts of industrial development. Now the historic movement is in almost all 195 countries worldwide.

As a community leader in conservation, Dobson Ranch is a great place to support the movement. Recycling bins for bottles and cans are available for your use in the common areas and at our annual events. **The Water Management Committee** offers smart irrigation controllers, which save water, to residents at a substantial discount.

Upcoming events are also a great way to get more involved. On February 27, resident **Tanya Hughes** with

SRP will present a **Water and Energy Efficiency Workshop** at 6:00 pm in the Grande Room at La Casita Recreation Center (see page 3 in this issue for more info).

Also in the neighborhood, the fourth annual Dobson Ranch **Spring Expo** is Saturday, April 4, 8:00 am - 11:00 am at La Casita. The event forwards the theme of conservation in Dobson Ranch and is open to residents and guests of all ages.

There will be children's activities, a live ladybug release at 10:30 am, and the yummy **Retirees' Club Pancake Breakfast** from 8:00 to 10:00 am. Mark April 4th on your calendar for a morning of fun and join fellow residents in celebrating the 50th milestone. Together, we can ensure that Dobson Ranch continues as a community leader in conservation.

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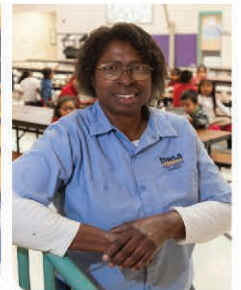


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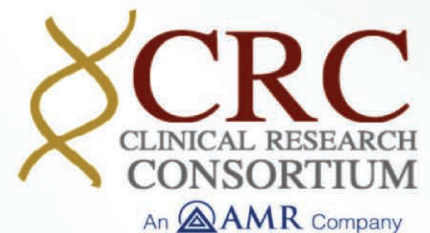


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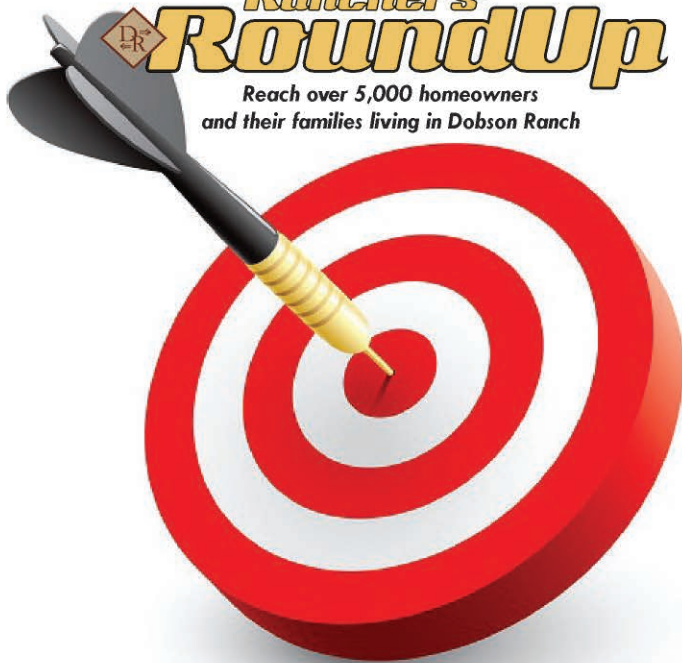
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### PET CARE

**EXPERIENCED ANIMAL LOVER** – Offers affordable dog boarding and daycare. Call/text Courtney 602-524-4313.

**PET SITTING** – Ranch resident/Longtime pet owner. Alan ([Dobsondogsitters@gmail.com](mailto:Dobsondogsitters@gmail.com)) 480-332-2256.

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**DUMPING DAVE** – I haul it all. Yard debris, junk, appliances, furniture, home cleanouts. Whatever you need cleaned up and hauled away. **DEPENDABLE** and **HONEST**. Dave 480-360-5865.

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**THOMAS HANDYMAN SOLUTIONS** – We fix all of your home issues. Insured with over 30 years experience. All carpentry, electrical, plumbing, water heaters, drywall, interior/exterior paint, window and door replacement, and much more. 480-398-5832.

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### HOME IMPROVEMENTS

**KITCHEN & BATH SPECIALISTS/ROOM ADDITIONS - HOMEPRO** – All typed of home repair. General Contractor. CBL Builders. ROC #380717. Free estimates. Discount for seniors and vets. Call/text Gary at 480-578-0486.

**INFINITY PROPERTY SERVICES, LLC** – General contractor specializing in Dobson Ranch home remodels, kitchens, bathrooms, painting, HVAC, electrical, plumbing, insurance claims, repairs, and more! We are your one stop shop for all your home improvement needs. Free Estimates. Licensed. Bonded. Insured. ROC #228281 480-999-1385.

**ENGLISH BUILDING COMPANY LLC** – Bathrooms, kitchens, tile, laminate, hardwood, windows, doors, patio covers, and more. Owned and operated by Dobson Ranch resident, Paul English. **FREE ESTIMATES**. 480-603-8813. Project pictures/customer references at [www.englishbuilding.net](http://www.englishbuilding.net). Licensed. Bonded. Insured. ROC #189470-BBB.

**MASTER ELECTRICIAN - ROGER HEISTER** – 22 years in the Valley. Not a licensed contractor. 602-732-8877.

**COOLING OR HEATING CHECK-UP** – \$18.95. Mazon's A/C and Heating. Call 480-966-7794 or 602-579-1012. Licensed Bonded. ROC #C39-212482.

**PLUMBING – CURE ALL PLUMBING** – 480-895-5858. We specialize in water heaters, drain cleaning, pipe lining & coating, leaking pipes, faucets, toilets, tubs, slab leaks, reroutes, water softeners, disposals, reverse osmosis systems. Senior Discounts. Family owned and operated. Free Estimates. Licensed. Bonded. Insured. ROC #204797 [www.cureallplumbing.com](http://www.cureallplumbing.com).

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**PAINTING** – Affordable painting for every budget. Painting, power wash, drywall repair, etc. Experienced insured, dependable. Dobson Ranch resident in business over 15 years. Not a licensed contractor. Free no hassle estimate. 480-200-9598.

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**PAINTING, DRYWALL AND STUCCO REPAIR** – Professional Painter/Tradesman - 30+ years experience. Interior, exterior, powerwashing, carpentry, handyman. Will find best product for your problem. Careful and tidy. Dobson Ranch customer references available. Dan O'Brien 480-359-0515.

### LAWN CARE

**AZ HOME & LANDSCAPE SERVICE** – Complete landscaping services including maintenance, gardening, planting, clean ups, hauling, sprinkler and irrigation repair, tree trimming, landscape installations and conversions, winter lawns, pavers, etc. Earth friendly, English speaking, dependable, licensed and insured. Smartscape certified. Dobson Ranch resident in business over 15 years. Free no hassle estimates. Call 480-200-9598.

**LAWN SERVICE AND WEED CONTROL** – starting at \$60 per month. Front yard only - starting at \$30 per month. Reliable lawn service with a company you can trust. ROC #281191. Owner is a D. Ranch homeowner. 480-586-8445. [www.kjelandscape.com](http://www.kjelandscape.com).

**LAWN & SPRINKLER CARE!** – Accepting new customers. Call/text 480-710-8738.

**SPRINKLER REPAIR** – Working in Dobson Ranch since 1981. Scarecrow Sprinkler Repair. Frank 602-690-4767. Not a licensed contractor.

### MISCELLANEOUS

**WANTED: OLD TOOLS/ANTIQUES** – Local antique dealer looking to buy old stuff. Tools, cast iron, workbenches, industrial, advertising signs, etc. Call/text Nick 818-703-2152.

### AT YOUR SERVICE

**At Your Service ads are published FREE for Dobson Ranch teens.**

**HOUSE SITTING & YARD WORK** – My name is Michael. I'm 15 and can house sit, maintain your pool and do light yard work. Call 602-312-0283.

**SMALL FURNITURE PAINTER** – Hi, my name is Drew. I'm 11 and I love painting items like nightstands, bookcases and tables. If you have something that needs a fresh look, call/text 602-740-1166.

**HI, MY NAME IS EMMA** – I'm a 15 yr. old responsible H.S. student living in Dobson Ranch. I'm available to babysit, house sit, or dog sit. 3 years experience. Babysitter/CPR certified. Reasonable rates. 480-489-5439.

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# Calendar of Events

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JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY/SUNDAY
<p>13</p> <p><b>DR</b></p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Bridge</b> 12:30 Chica Room</p> <p><b>Yoga for Beginners</b> 5:30 pm Saratoga Room</p> <p><b>Budget and Finance Meeting</b> 6:30 pm Grande Room</p>	<p>14</p> <p><b>Healing Yoga</b> 8:15 am Grande Room</p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 pm Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Zumba</b> 6:30 pm Grande Room</p> <p><b>Architectural Committee Meeting</b> 6:30 pm Chica Room</p>	<p>15</p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Beginner &amp; Intermediate</b> 9:00 am &amp; 10:00 am Chica Room</p> <p><b>Water Works Board Meeting</b> 6:00 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Intermediate &amp; Beginner</b> 6:00 pm &amp; 7:00 pm Grande Room</p>	<p>16</p> <p><b>Healing Yoga</b> 8:15 am Grande Room</p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 pm Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Board of Directors Open Session</b> 7:00 pm Grande Room</p>	<p>17</p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>A Matter of Balance</b> 1:00 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Retirees' Game Day</b> 1:00 pm Grande Room</p> <p><b>Bunco</b> 6:30 pm Saratoga Room</p>	<p>18</p> <p><b>PARENT'S NIGHT OUT!</b> Parent's Night Out 5:00 - 9:00 pm La Casita Grande Room</p> <p>Sunday 19</p>
<p>20</p> <p><b>La Casita Office &amp; Recreation Center Closed for Civil Rights Day</b></p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Retirees' Board Meeting</b> 9:00 am Dobson Ranch Golf Course Restaurant</p>	<p>21</p> <p><b>Healing Yoga</b> 8:15 am Grande Room</p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 pm Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Zumba</b> 6:30 pm Grande Room</p> <p><b>Garden Club</b> 7:00 pm Saratoga Room</p>	<p>22</p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Beginner &amp; Intermediate</b> 9:00 am &amp; 10:00 am Chica Room</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Intermediate &amp; Beginner</b> 6:00 pm &amp; 7:00 pm Grande Room</p>	<p>23</p> <p><b>Healing Yoga</b> 8:15 am Grande Room</p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 pm Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Legante Paseo Meeting</b> 6:30 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Special Open Board Session</b> 6:30 pm Grande Room</p>	<p>24</p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>A Matter of Balance</b> 1:00 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Poker</b> 6:30 pm Saratoga Room</p>	<p>25</p> <p><b>Bark in the Park</b> Bark in the Park 9:00 am - 12:00 pm Laguna Park</p> <p>Sunday 26</p>
<p>27</p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Bridge</b> 12:30 Chica Room</p> <p><b>Yoga for Beginners</b> 5:30 pm Saratoga Room</p>	<p>28</p> <p><b>Healing Yoga</b> 8:15 am Grande Room</p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 pm Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Zumba</b> 6:30 pm Grande Room</p> <p><b>Architectural Committee Meeting</b> 6:30 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Laguna Village Board Meeting</b> 7:00 pm Saratoga Room</p>	<p>29</p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Beginner &amp; Intermediate</b> 9:00 am &amp; 10:00 am Chica Room</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Intermediate &amp; Beginner</b> 6:00 pm &amp; 7:00 pm Grande Room</p>	<p>30</p> <p><b>Healing Yoga</b> 8:15 am Grande Room</p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 pm Laguna Park</p>	<p>31</p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>A Matter of Balance</b> 1:00 pm Chica Room</p>	<p>1</p> <p>Sunday 2</p>
<p>3</p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Marketing Committee</b> 8:30 am Chica Room</p> <p><b>Retirees' General Meeting</b> 9:30 am Grande Room</p> <p><b>Bridge</b> 12:30 Chica Room</p> <p><b>Yoga for Beginners</b> 5:30 pm Saratoga Room</p> <p><b>Water Management Committee</b> 5:30 pm Chica Room</p>	<p>4</p> <p><b>Healing Yoga</b> 8:15 am Grande Room</p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 pm Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Recreation Committee Meeting</b> 5:00 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Zumba</b> 6:30 pm Grande Room</p>	<p>5</p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Beginner &amp; Intermediate</b> 9:00 am &amp; 10:00 am Chica Room</p> <p><b>Lake Habitat Committee</b> 5:30 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Intermediate &amp; Beginner</b> 6:00 pm &amp; 7:00 pm Grande Room</p>	<p>6</p> <p><b>Healing Yoga</b> 8:15 am Grande Room</p> <p><b>Retirees' Game Day</b> 1:00 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 pm Laguna Park</p>	<p>7</p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>A Matter of Balance</b> 1:00 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Master Planning Committee</b> 12:30 pm Grande Room</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Sunday 9</p> <p><b>SUNDAY PARK</b> Sunday in the Park 3:00 - 5:00 pm Laguna Park</p>
<p>10</p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Bridge</b> 12:30 Chica Room</p> <p><b>Yoga for Beginners</b> 5:30 pm Saratoga Room</p>	<p>11</p> <p><b>Healing Yoga</b> 8:15 am Grande Room</p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 pm Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Zumba</b> 6:30 pm Grande Room</p> <p><b>Architectural Committee Meeting</b> 6:30 pm Chica Room</p>	<p>12</p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Beginner &amp; Intermediate</b> 9:00 am &amp; 10:00 am Saratoga</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Intermediate &amp; Beginner</b> 6:00 pm &amp; 7:00 pm Grande Room</p> <p><b>Arch. Guidelines Workshop</b> 6:30 pm Grande Room</p>	<p>13</p> <p><b>Healing Yoga</b> 8:15 am Grande Room</p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 pm Laguna Park</p>	<p>14</p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>A Matter of Balance</b> 1:00 pm Chica Room</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Sunday 16</p>
<p>17</p> <p><b>La Casita Office &amp; Recreation Center Closed for Presidents Day</b></p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Retirees' Board Meeting</b> 9:00 am Location TBD</p>	<p>18</p> <p><b>Healing Yoga</b> 8:15 am Grande Room</p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 pm Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Zumba</b> 6:30 pm Grande Room</p> <p><b>Budget and Finance Meeting</b> 6:30 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Garden Club</b> 7:00 pm Saratoga Room</p>	<p>19</p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Beginner &amp; Intermediate</b> 9:00 am &amp; 10:00 am Chica Room</p> <p><b>Water Works Board Meeting</b> 6:00 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Intermediate &amp; Beginner</b> 6:00 pm &amp; 7:00 pm Grande Room</p>	<p>20</p> <p><b>Healing Yoga</b> 8:15 am Grande Room</p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 pm Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Board of Directors Open Session</b> 7:00 pm Grande Room</p>	<p>21</p> <p><b>Fitnes in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>A Matter of Balance</b> 1:00 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Retirees' Game Day</b> 1:00 pm Grande Room</p> <p><b>Bunco</b> 6:30 pm Chica Room</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Sunday 23</p>