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Our first-ever Casino Night hit the jackpot with our residents who attended this fun event on lucky Friday the 13th (May). Marie Johnson (I.) and 24-year Dobson Ranch resident Audrey Langzettel (r.) are adding more chips to their stash of play cash at one of the blackjack tables.

Photo at left: Christa Sorenson, another longtime resident, joins her friends Marie and Audrey to try her hand at blackjack as well. See pages 16-17 for lots more photos from Casino Night.

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Your Neighborhood

Message From the Association President



By Nicole Lynam Association President

Turn Up the Heat and Turn On the Fun!

Hello Summer!

Last month, Dobson Ranch HOA hosted our **43rd Annual City Breakfast**. This is an opportunity for Dobson Ranch Staff and Board of Directors to meet with City officials that represent our community. It was a great presentation to show the City of Mesa all the great things going on in our neighborhood. City Staff spoke about some great programs they have implemented to help residents and new developments happening in the area. This event provides a great opportunity for Dobson Ranch to network and collaborate with our greater community.

A few days after this event, I was at Mesa City Hall and was approached by **Amanda Freeman**, one of the presenters at the City Breakfast who talked about Mesa's program with Solari Group to provide critical behavioral health response teams. She was impressed with all that Dobson Ranch is able to offer residents and how rare it is to have a Homeowners Association that collaborates regularly with the City. Homeowner's Associations often get a bad reputation, but during the few years I've been actively involved with Dobson Ranch HOA, I have heard numerous compliments from residents and visitors. Being approached with compliments by those from outside our community always fortifies my pride in Dobson Ranch being "The Best Place to Live".

Not everyone would agree that Arizona is the best place to live during the HOT summer months. But, along with brutal temperatures, summer in Arizona brings fun activities for all. Dobson Ranch has a great Summer Camp to keep the kids entertained. You can enjoy the cooler morning hours along the walking and bike paths around the neighborhood or play with your pup at the Dog Park. The swimming pools and Splash Pad are a great way to cool off. On Friday evenings, you can head over to La Casita Recreation Center to enjoy the air conditioning while challenging your neighbors at Table Tennis.

If your family is planning a road trip to cooler weather, don't forget to stop at all the weird roadside attractions along the way. Have a meal that is "out of this world" at the **Space Age Restaurant** in Gila Bend, take photos with dinosaurs at the **Rainbow Rock Shop** in Holbrook, enjoy a date shake in **Dateland**, learn about our nuclear history at the **Titan Missile Museum** in Green Valley, experience the subterranean cooler temperatures of **Kartchner Caverns** or visit "The Thing" in Benson.

No matter how you plan to spend your summer, remember to stay hydrated and stay safe!

Executive Director's Message



By Lynelle Glysson Executive Director

Volunteers Make Dobson Ranch Special

Anyone who lives in Dobson Ranch knows it is a special and unique community. Kids who were raised here come back to raise their families. People looking to live in a welcoming community seek Dobson Ranch out. Residents who purchased their first home in Dobson Ranch, still live here. Dobson Ranch is special in large part because residents participate in the community. Dobson Ranch has been a self-managed community since its inception. That means there isn't a management company that they hand over the responsibility of running the Association. Volunteers, who join the Board of Directors, Committees, contribute to the RoundUp, attend meetings and give their input in a number of other ways, make Dobson Ranch what it is.

If you think you would like to contribute, please consider volunteering on a committee. Committees are very important in advising the Board of Directors. The **Budget and Finance**Committee reviews all the Association's financials monthly. This is very important and you can rest assured that the financials are scrutinized. They also review any bids for projects or services so that you are getting the most for your assessment dollars. The **Master Planning Committee** reviews each project that takes place on the Ranch. They do research on anything from landscape to installing new restrooms. This is an important committee that keeps the Ranch up to date while keeping the charm of the community. As new residents move in, they need additional members so that there is representation from a variety of residents who call Dobson Ranch home.

There are other committees that give input on the lakes, recreation, and other aspects of the community including:

- Dobson Ranch Architectural Committee
- Architectural Appeals Committee
- Water and Lake Managment Committee
- Recreation Committee
- 50th Anniversary Committee (ad hoc)

Dobson Ranch is a close-knit community because of people like you who get involved. If you are interested in joining any of the committees, or giving your input in other ways, please contact me at lglysson@dobsonranch.com.

Let us stay **#DobsonRanchStrong!** Thank you for the continued support of your neighbors, Board and Staff.





Your Neighborhood

Message From the Editor



By Nancy Roggio
Communications Manager

Rave Reviews

I certainly appreciate when our residents say they not only read the RoundUp magazine from cover to cover, but take the time to send me a glowing review. This Letter to the Editor was sent in by **Tim McElrath** on May 7th, shortly after receiving his May issue in the mail:

"Great work on the RoundUp, as usual! Just three pages in and I've already learned a ton:

- That the community is engaged in the process of electing leadership.
- How full your iPhone (is it even appropriate to call them phones anymore?) must be with photos... and how much time and effort goes into the social feeds... and every edition of the magazine.
- That DR cares about how the community looks, by featuring Green Thumb award winners.
- That DR is making every effort to be helpful with assessment payments by providing the directions each month. Love this!
- A recognition of the great DR staff and how much work Jesse does in coordinating a single month of DR activities.

...and it just gets better. Each page has something interesting, informative and useful!

Thanks!"

I also received a short email on the same date from **Kathrine Blomquist** whose daughter Kaylee graced the cover of the
May issue...

"Our May issue arrived today - such a fun surprise for the family! (I think Rick was the most surprised) Kaylee did the most delighted 'That's ME!' ever! Thank you for the kind write-up on the inside cover."

And, when I posted Tim's Letter to the Editor on our Facebook and Instagram pages on May 9th, Susan Powers made this short, but sweet, comment...

"I totally agree. RoundUp has really stepped up its game."

All I can say is... please keep 'em coming!









You should have received your quarterly statement a few weeks ago. Please note, the assessments changed in 2022 to \$579.60 annually. If you are having trouble paying online, you may have to change your account number. Below are the instructions to do so.

- 1. Sign into the CIT portal https://propertypay.cit.com
- 2. Click on the word "PROPERTIES" at top right side of page.
- 3. Click on your address.
- 4. Scroll down and you will see PROPERTY ACCT. NUMBER.
- 5. Please insert your new 16-digit account number in this space.
- 6. A green box will pop up to save your acount number CLICK SAVE!

AFTER YOU DO THIS, YOU WILL BE ABLE TO MAKE YOUR PAYMENTS.

I do empathize with the challenges you may be facing with the changes to the statements, account numbers and new assessments. If you have any questions or need help, please call the office at 480-831-8314, or email me at: Iglysson@dobsonranch.com.

Keep your 16-digit account number readily available for your next payment.



John Jenkins, the Dobson Ranch professional painter, has been an inspiration to the entire Facilities Maintenance Staff with his cleanliness and attention to detail in completing a wide variety of Ranch projects.

From painting the Dobson Ranch Doghouse to painting five miles of perimeter walls, John has power washed, taped, brushed and sprayed nearly 1,000 gallons of paint in the past year. He doesn't just watch Staff trim plants and trees so he can paint; he helps trim, load and haul off the debris. His never-ending cleaning of equipment does not go unnoticed by Staff that must maintain easy to clean gear. The Facilities and Maintenance Department appreciates and values John's daily contributions to making Dobson Ranch a beautiful place to call home.



By Nancy Roggio

Ranchers' RoundUp Editor

Congrats to **Ryan Nager**, the homeowner of **2219 S. El Marino**, for being nominated for this month's award. Ryan wanted to make sure we recognized his design partner on the job, **Evan Horowitz**, as well.

According to **Frank Mizner**, who nominated this property, "This patio home has been completely updated: new roof, a fresh coat of paint, stucco finish, modern garage door, and Xeriscape landsaping (including pavers and custom planters). The rear of the property, facing Lake 3, is equally impressive, with full-length glass sliding doors and terraced lanscaping."

Taking pride in your property like Ryan is what makes Dobson Ranch indisputably... the best place to live!



If you would like your yard or a neighbor's yard featured in a future issue of Ranchers' RoundUp, please email nroggio@dobsonranch.com.



School's Out for Summer... Now What?

By Dr. Andrea Hogan, Resident Guest Writer



My husband Josh and I have lived in Dobson Ranch for six years. We have a daughter, Ella (7), and son, Emmett (5).

As a super planner, I outlined all 10 weeks of summer break weeks ago. For those of you still planning (or winging it), here are some summer fun tips to help:

Full Day Summer Camps

If you need full daycare during summer break, the best bang for your buck is the **Dobson Ranch Summer Camp** at La Casita (grades K-5). Another camp option nearby is the East Valley Jewish Community Center (grades K-8). If you have younger kids - Gethsemane Christian Academy has camp for ages 2-10 and Tempe's YMCA offers camps for ages 2-17 with lots of fun options for each age group. Additionally, full day summer programs are available through the cities of Tempe, Mesa, Chandler and Gilbert. Most school districts also offer community education programs in the summer, with programs ranging from academics to cooking. Check your district webpage for opportu-

Vacation Bible School

There are many great churches in our area hosting a week of VBS. For example, St. Timothy's Catholic, Gethsemane Lutheran and Sun Valley Community all have half-day VBS programs for different weeks in June. Prices for VBS range from free to \$50 per week, depending on the church. Check out your local worship center to see what options they have.

Drop In Options

There may be days you need your kids out of the house, but did not plan for anything special. AZ All Star Gym, Aspire Gymnastics and Big Air Trampoline Park all offer daily and hourly rates for their summer camps. Gymnastic gyms and trampoline parks are a great way to let your kids bounce off energy while you run some errands (or enjoy your house) kid free.

Additionally, you can find Groupons for lots of trampoline parks and play centers. Uptown Jungle, Giggles, Jumpstreet, Altitude, Crayola Experience and Legoland are also close by, and while you cannot drop off kids at all these places, you can use their free Wi-Fi and workstations while your kids bounce around - or you can join in on the fun with them!

Specialty Camps and Classes

In July, both the AZ Museum of Natural History and the idea Museum has themed camps. The AZ Science Center, OdySea Aquarium, Desert Botanical Garden and Phoenix Zoo all have fun summer camps, too. If your child is into fine arts, Burst of Butterflies has half-day art camps and As You Wish Pottery and the Mesa Arts Center has summer art classes. In addition, Childsplay and the East Valley Children's Theater both offer theater camps. Also, there are countless great martial arts centers, dance studios and gyms with summer programs in the

area and many awesome indoor summer sports programs or swim teams. Personally, my kids are looking forward to being a part of the **Dobson Dolphins!**

Family Fun

If you are planning on staying home with your kids, there are lots of options to keep both parents and children happy. I highly recommend participating in the Maricopa County Reads summer reading program. You can sign up at **Dobson Ranch** Library and both kids and adults earn prizes for reading. All local libraries also have summer story times and events/crafts for the whole family. Additionally, the maricopacountyreads.com website has videos with virtual crafts and interactive online events. Sugarlips Cakery does summer fun days on Wednesdays, with fun themes, activities and free cupcakes. You can even purchase a summer fun deco kit to decorate a cake at home that matches the weekly theme and comes with a YouTube video link to follow directions. Speaking of YouTube - my kids love doing virtual art classes via the Art for Kids Hub YouTube channel. There are also many subscription services that deliver STEM and activity boxes based on age. My kids have done Highlights, KiwiCo and Little Passports in the past and enjoyed them all.

Let Them Be Bored

If your house is like mine, you have PLENTY of toys, games and crafts to keep your kids occupied all summer long. Do not feel like you need to constantly entertain your kids or schedule every moment of their break. Numerous studies have shown that boredom actually promotes creativity. When kids have nothing planned, they are forced to use their imagination to entertain themselves, learning a great life skill. And, if all else fails, there's always Netflix!







Top left photo: Ella & Emmett cashing in Summer Reading prizes.

> Top right photo: Ella shows off her Dobson Dolphins ribbon.

Bottom photo: Kindness Rocks at Gethsemane Christian Academy's Vacation Bible School.





Your Neighborhood



Monthly Update from Councilmember Heredia

Water Shortage Management Plan
Due to historic drought, climate change and
over-allocation, conditions on the Colorado
River are worsening. Mesa recognizes the

situation is serious and continues to strategically plan for a future with less water. As a result, we are declaring a Stage One Water Shortage awareness and enacting our **Water Shortage Management Plan.** Stage One triggers a "Water Watch" stage with a water system use reduction goal of five percent.

While there will not be mandatory water restrictions in Stage One, this stage of the Plan calls for reduction of water use at City facilities, limits on overseeding on City landscaping, and launching a public awareness campaign to alert residents to water shortage conditions and the voluntary measures they can take to save water. Visit www.mesaaz.gov/residents/water to learn more.

Together Mesa Initiative

We are launching **Together Mesa** to advance equity, inclusion, and accessibility in Mesa. This citywide effort aims to increase citizen engagement while fostering awareness and understanding of the City's growing population. More info can be found at www.mesaaz.gov/togethermesa.

I'm a strong advocate of these initiatives, as they reflect our commitment to show our Mesa values.

~ Councilmember Heredia

resident 1 1 1 orientation

New to Dobson Ranch? Please join us on Wednesday, June 15th in the Chica Room at La Casita Rec. Center at 6:00 pm for our third Resident 101 Orientation. This will be an informative session covering what you need to know about Dobson Ranch.

The class will include:

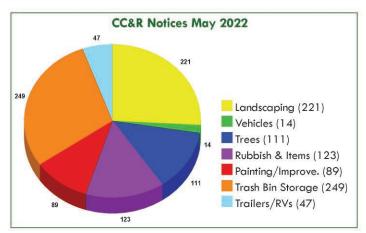
- Welcome to Dobson Ranch overview by Executive Director Lynelle Glysson.
- Communications on the Ranch overview by Nancy Roggio, Communications Manager.
- Recreation and Events briefing by Jesse Wright, Director of Perception
- What You Should Know About CC&Rs by Camille Gonzales, Operations Manager.
- Quarterly Assessments by Lynelle Glysson.
- Future Maintenance Projects by Dennis Melgreen, Facilities Manager.

The class is open to new residents who moved to Dobson Ranch within the last year or any resident interested in getting the most out of their Dobson Ranch experience. All attendees will receive a Welcome Packet. Light refreshments will be served. Reservations required. Call Christy at 480-831-8314 to reserve your spot.

Can't make it? Resident 101 Orientations will be held quarterly in 2022.

CC&R Notices





It's Time for Summer Fun and Palm Tree Trimmina!



It's that time of year again for homeowners to enjoy the sun and start trimming their palm trees. Per the Residential Architectural Guidelines, Section 2.17 Trees - All Palm trees must be trimmed on a regular basis to remove any dead or brown fronds from palm trees in front yards and rear yards. Be sure to check your monthly Ranchers' RoundUp for display and classified ads to find a Dobson Ranch recommended landscaper.

Also, the newly-revised Residential Architectural Guidelines will be approved on June 14th, 2022. Once the guidelines are approved, residents can find them on the Dobson Ranch website, at the Administration Office, and on the Dobson Ranch App. If, at any time, you have questions or concerns regarding code enforcement, please contact the Administrative Office at 480-831-8314, and I would be happy to assist you.

Thank you,

Camille Gonzales, Operations Manager



Your Neighborhood







Just one issue of *Ranchers' RoundUp* is jammed packed from cover to cover with useful information every Rancher needs! In order to encourage everyone to read the magazine more thoroughly to find out just how much relavent info there is, we will be starting a monthly **Find the Fact Quiz.**

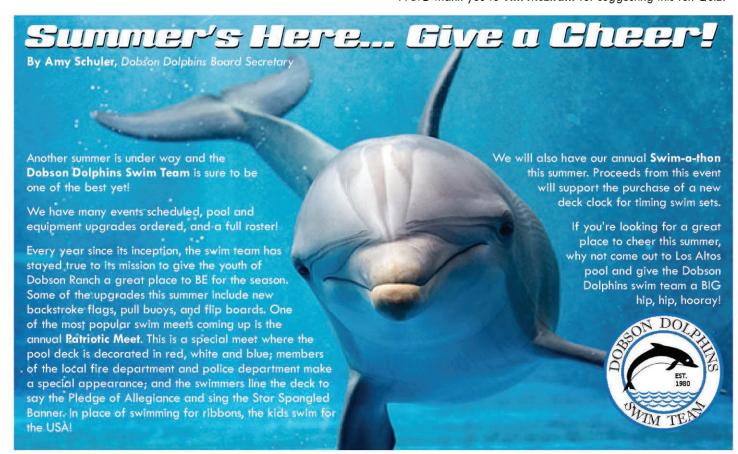
To enter, simply email all of the answers to questions 1-20 below to nroggio@dobsonranch by no later than June 20, 2022. All residents (of any age) with all 20 correct answers will be put into a drawing. One winner will be randomly selected each month to receive a \$20.00 Amazon Gift Card. June's winner will be announced in the July RoundUp.

Let's see how YOU do...

- The Dobson Ranch HOA will match up to how many cases of water for this year's Mesa Hydration Donation Campaign?
- 2. How many Dobson Ranch home sales were there in the month of May?
- 3. Who is the Mesa PD Community Action Officer?
- 4. Which advertiser has a coupon for 1 Free Donut?
- 5. Who do you call to register for the Resident 101 Orientation?

- 6. What is the theme for the 50 Year Anniversary Celebration?
- 7. What do you need to rent paddles and ball to play Table Tennis on Fridays?
- 8. Who was the speaker at the Retirees' Club General Meeting on May 2nd?
- 9. How many digits does your Property Account number have?
- 10. How many sponsorship levels are there for September's Bark in the Park event?
- 11. What is the date and time for the Board of Directors Meeting in June?
- 12. What is the name of the event that will support the purchase of a new deck clock for the Dobson Dolphins?
- 13. What is the date for the Parent/Junior Golf Tournament?
- 14. What do you need to do this month to get your plants ready for summer?
- 15. What are the Summer La Casita Rec Center hours on Monday through Saturday?
- 16. Who should you call to join the Dobson Ranch Yacht Club?
- 17. What two types of mussels are aquatic invasive species?
- 18. Which advertiser will give you a \$40 discount with the mention of their ad?
- 19. What is the only type of tennis class that will be held in July?
- 20. What City of Mesa program can cut your landscape water use in half?

A BIG thank you to Tim McElrath for suggesting this fun Quiz.







DESERT LANDSCAPING TIPS & TRICKS

by Sue Hakala, Certified Volunteer Master Gardener

STINKNET INVASION



While taking my daily walk, I've seen stinknet (Oncosiphon piluliferum) growing in some neighborhood yards. If you see this plant anywhere, pull it out immediately! It is a South African invader also known as globe chamomile. It looks so cute with the round bright yellow flowers. Don't be fooled. This highly invasive plant can explosively spread across large tracts of your yard and the desert, blotting out everything else.

It is a winter growing annual spread by small seeds that can be distributed in a shoe tread, tire, wind, water, and just about any way it possibly can. While driving around the desert areas, when you see the sheen of yellow on the desert floor in spring, this is stinknet. It has covered literally thousands of acres of our local desert in just a few years. When it dries up in late spring, it becomes fuel for ferocious fires that the desert has never seen before and has no defense against.

It can quickly outcompete native species, keeping seeds from germinating, and it stinks! You may be allergic to the smell as well as its pollen. When handled, it can cause rashes. After taking over large areas of your yard, or the desert, it can become impossible to control. If you see it growing, pull it out, roots and all.

Don't put stinknet in your compost pile or just toss it in the garbage can. Instead, put it in a plastic bag and tie a tight knot. This is so, if seeds have formed, they can't spread. If you are hiking in the desert and come across some, pull them out and either bring them to a garbage can, or put them in a pile in the open desert weighed down with a rock. This will concentrate any seed and make it compete with itself to grow, and not give it the luxury of shade when sprouting. Please help all you can.

GET YOUR PLANTS READY FOR SUMMER

Be sure to deep water your plants this month: shrubs, trees, cactus, oleanders, palms, vines, etc., to get them ready for summer. Mary Irish, an excellent horticulturist said, "What you do now to get your plants ready for summer will help them survive the harsh conditions ahead."

Homeowner Improvements

Architectural Applications May 2022

By Carolyn Burleson, Admin. Assistant/Architecture

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69 Applications	\$ 6	39,285		
DORSON BANCH UNIT I				
DOBSON RANCH UNIT I Exterior Paint	\$	13,500		
Garage Door	\$	4,728		
Landscape	\$	2,000		
Shed	\$	850		
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DOBSON RANCH UNIT III		1.5.000		
Block Wall	\$	15,000		
Exterior Painting	\$	800		
Driveway Extension Pergola	\$	1,500 2,300		
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DOBSON PINES				
Little Library	\$	500		
DOBSON SHORES				
Balcony Replacement	\$	1,500		
Exterior Painting	\$	7,500		
Roof Replacement	\$	5,100		
Window Replacement	\$	40,000		
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GOLDEN PALMS ESTATES	12	2010 DEV		
Exterior Painting	\$	4,150		
Landscape	\$	2,000		
RV Gate	\$	3,720		
LAGUNA SHORES				
Addition	\$	180,000		
Exterior Painting	\$	3,000		
Garage Door	\$	6,982		
Gutters	\$	10,465		
Landscape	\$	23,500		
Roof Replacement	\$	27,000		
Shed	\$	6,000		
Solar Panels	Þ	87,000		
LAGUNA SHORES AMENDED				
Exterior Painting	\$	3,000		
Driveway Extension	\$	5,000		
Garage Door	\$	5,000		
Landscape	\$	1,000		
Patio Cover	\$	5,000		
Stucco	\$	5,000		
Sunshade	\$	400		
LOS ALTOS				
Addition	\$	30,000		
Covered Patio	\$	49,000		
Exterior Painting	\$	6,100		
Foundation Repair	\$	17,551		
Roof Replacement	\$	12,089		
Security Gate	\$	2,000		
Window Replacement	\$	13,500		
SARATOGA LAKES				
Exterior Painting	\$	6,050		
Gutters	\$	3,500		
Pergola	\$	1,400		
Roof Replacement	\$	29,000		
Shed	\$	1,500		

WESTPORT BAY Exterior Paint

Hama Sala

- House

Trustee Properties:

Home Sales: 27



THE DOBSON ASSOCIATION



Conservation Corner

Saving Water & Energy with Dobson Ranch

By Kathrine Blomquist, Water and Lake Management Committee Member



In April, I attended the **Annual Breakfast with the City.** It was an honor to participate and
learn about the City's new programs. I shared
about Dobson Ranch's conservation achievement of using 1.5 million gallons of water less
in 2021 than in 2020, as well as the conservation-themed partnerships at our Spring
Expo and outreach via Ranchers' RoundUp.

A recent conservation-themed event

was Saving Water & Energy with Dobson Ranch at La Casita. The City of Mesa - Water Conservation and SRP provided residents with tips on how to save money, energy and water at home, while promoting greater comfort and livability. In case you missed it, here are a few highlights shared by Donna DiFrancesco, City of Mesa, and Tanya Hughes, SRP:

How Much Water SHOULD you be Using?

Use Mesa's **Home Water Calculator**. Input the year your home was built and facts about your household and landscape to get an estimate of monthly usage. Request a free Water Conservation Kit when finished.

No More Mowing

Cut your landscape water use in half with Mesa's **Grass-to-Xeriscape** program. Apply to remove 500 sq ft of healthy grass or more and replace it with desert landscape and you could qualify for up to \$575.

Water Just the Right Amount and Water-Thrifty Plants

Watering properly is an art and a science. Get the details in Landscape Watering by the Numbers: A Guide for the Arizona Desert and keep your landscape healthy and beautiful. Details and photos of 200 low-water-use plants are also available.

Smart Irrigation Controller (SIC) Discount

The best way to water properly is with a **Smart Irrigation Controller.** If you missed SRP's Spring Water Expo, SRP will hold Water Expo 2.0 in July. Register for the virtual event at *srpnet.com/expo* to take advantage of an incredible SIC discount.

Visit mesacz.gov/
conservation and
savewithsrp.com for
details on these
programs, resources,
and more!

Get Energy Efficient

SRP offers rebates on home energy audits to help you better understand how you use energy, while pinpointing needed efficiency improvements. Rebates are also available for insulation, shade screens, duct repair, and more.

Smart Thermostats

SRP's **BYOT** (*Bring Your Own Thermostat*) is a voluntary demand response program designed to reward you for reducing electricity use during periods of high demand, while helping the environment and reliability of the grid.

Through education, special events and community partnerships, Dobson Ranch, the City of Mesa, and SRP are here to help you on your conservation journey. Please read the update from Councilmember Heredia (page 5) and start incorporating measures to save water today. #DobsonRanchConservation

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Special thanks to Donna DiFrancesco with the City of Mesa and Tanya Hughes with SRP. See more photos on our Facebook page.



At Our Lakes

Reminder: Don't Move a Mussel!

By Joseph Trickett, Water and Lake Management Committee Chairman



As another summer quickly sets in here in the Valley of the Sun, water and its recreational activities are on many of our minds. Whether it is a dip in the pool or trip to the river or lake to enjoy a day on the shore, boat ride or taking a paddle board or kayak for a float, there is something about being on or near the water that makes summers here more bearable. Lucky for us

here in Dobson Ranch, we don't have to go far to enjoy our community's lakes. To help protect our lakes, a reminder of the invasive species that poses a threat to our community and our state's waterways may be in order.

It important to be aware that when leaving listed aquatic invasive species waters in Arizona such as Lake Powell, Mead, Mohave, Havasu, Apache, Canyon, Saguaro and Lake Pleasant, you must clean, drain and dry your boat, paddle board, kayak, canoe, or other recreational equipment before putting it back in the water somewhere else.

Quagga and zebra mussels were first found in the great lakes in the 1980s. Since then, they have spread throughout much of the eastern United States. In 2007, divers found quagga mussels in Lake Mead. The quagga and zebra mussels are aquatic invasive species which have few predators and can out-compete native species. The quagga and zebra mussels also live in large colonies and can clog and/or damage underwater equipment, valves and pipes. Most likely they arrived here in Arizona in 2004 or 2005 attached to a boat that had traveled here from back east.

An adult female mussel can produce up to a million eggs each spawn; this allows them to spread very quickly. They now threaten many areas in the west, including Arizona's rivers, lakes and reservoirs.

Mussels can attach themselves to almost any surface in the water. Boats, paddle boards, ropes, dock lines, fishing and other recreational gear are just a few examples. If it has been in the water for several days in an infected area, there is a good chance that a mussel has attached itself to it.

Our lakes here at Dobson Ranch are also threatened. Currently there have been no quagga or zebra mussels found here in our community lakes, as we proactively stock our lakes with Redear Sunfish, which are one of the few fish species that will actively feed on the mussels in case that they do arrive. There are also steps that we, as individuals, can take to help limit the risk of our lakes becoming infected.

If it has been in the water it needs to be inspected, cleaned, and dried before it is put back into the water somewhere else, this includes our urban lakes here in Dobson Ranch as well as others throughout the Valley. So, if you enjoy a day out on the lake with your kayak be sure to take the simple steps of cleaning, draining, and drying it before using it again here or at another body of water.

A full list of aquatic invasive species waters and proper decontaminating procedures can be found at the **Arizona Game and Fish Department** web site: www.azgfd.com.





Movers and Shakers

2023: Cheers to 50 Years!

By Nancy Roggio, Communications Manager and Ranchers' RoundUp Editor



In response to a notice from the Association, Frank Mizner volunteered to be on the 50th Anniversary Committee, and, at the initial meeting in April, was elected as Chairman. The 50th Anniversary Committee has been busy planning for this major milestone and is excited to whet your appetite about what's in store for 2023.

Q: How long have you lived on the Ranch?

FM: I moved to Dobson Ranch in 1987. I live on S. Playa on Lake 7 with my long-time partner **Gina Gillies**. We love our neighborhood, especially living on Lake 7 with all the wildlife and the beautiful views. We also have terrific neighbors.

Q: In which clubs and committees do you participate?

FM: Over the years I've served on a wide variety of volunteer committees: Tennis, Recreation, Master Planning, and currently the

50th Anniversary Committee. I also served as Executive Director of the Dobson Association for three years following my retirement from the City of Mesa, and all or part of three terms on the Dobson Ranch Board of Directors, including two years as Board President.

Q: What is so special about 2023?

FM: 2023 will mark the 50th anniversary of the incorporation of the Dobson Association and the beginning of actual construction. Dobson Ranch was the first true master-planned community in Mesa and remains one of the largest in the East Valley.

We are unique in many ways with an extensive lake system, wide range of recreational facilities and variety of housing opportunities. Because of our self-governing status and excellent relationship with the City of Mesa, we have been something of a "testing ground" for a number of well-received municipal improvements, including blue and green recycling barrels, on-street bike lanes, and local street speed bumps.

Fifty years is a significant milestone - in a marriage, for a business, or for a community. It makes Dobson Ranch eligible to seek "historical neighborhood" status from the City of Mesa. It also shows, as reflected in home values, overall appearance, and Valley-wide recognition, that Dobson Ranch is a successful and respected entity.

Q: Who is on the 50th Anniversary Committee?

FM: Committee members include Dennis Kavanaugh (former Mesa City Councilmember and past Dobson Ranch Board President), Carolyn Sedlak (original Ranch resident and Dobson Retirees' Club Officer), Kathrine Bloomquist (Dobson Dolphins Board Member and Water and Lake Management Committee Member), and Cyd Ross (new Ranch resident). Staff Assistance is provided by Lynelle Glysson, Nancy Roggio, and Jesse Wright. Our Board liaison is Kathleen Tolar.

Q: Is there a theme for the anniversary celebration?

FM: The Committee has adopted "Cheers to 50 Years!" as our theme. This will be used for all our event presentations and signage, in conjunction with the adopted anniversary logo.

Q: What types of events can we look forward to in 2023?

FM: Dobson Ranch always has a wide variety of events throughout any given year, designed to appeal to all ages from toddlers to seniors. The plan for 2023 is to continue these events, but to "sprinkle in" special 50th anniversary-themed aspects. For example, with the Annual Meeting in April, we will be having a classic car show. With the spring Sunday in the Park event, we will be adding a picnic and kids parade. The BYOB event will have a 70s theme and dance, and the Fall Festival will also be slated as a 50th Anniversary celebration.

Q: When is the kickoff to the 50th anniversary celebration?

FM: Officially the 50th Anniversary will begin in January 2023. We will certainly initiate publicity before then and we are obviously underway with planning for a wide variety of activities and events. The first major events will most likely be Bark in the Park and Parents Night Out in January.



FM: The Dobson Association has always had a special relationship with the City of Mesa. We have our own branch library, fire station, golf course, and Police substation, which makes us almost like a small town within a larger city. We have begun discussing several ways to recognize that relationship in 2023; these include a Mayoral proclamation, an exhibit or display at the Dobson Branch Library, and a program or publicity on Mesa's Channel 11.



Q: Will there be a Special Edition of Ranchers' RoundUp to commemorate the 50th Anniversary?

FM: A very special edition of Ranchers' RoundUp will be distributed free to all Ranch residents and owners as well as other interested parties next fall. I will be writing an early history of Dobson Ranch, beginning with the original farming days. I hope to include comments from the Dobson family as well as other figures involved in the initial planning and development of Dobson Ranch. We will also be including brief interviews with long-time Ranch residents. This promises to be an exciting way to commemorate the first 50 years of Dobson Ranch.

Q: What other 50th Anniversary surprises are in store for us?

FM: We are still in the planning stages, but there will be opportunities for Ranch residents to actively participate in this year-long celebration. These include suggesting items to include in a time capsule, helping paint a mural, volunteering to be interviewed, and, of course, attending any or all of our events.

Q: What kind of help do you need from residents now to prepare for the 50th Anniversary celebration next year?

FM: There are two ways for residents to become personally involved in the celebration. The first is to suggest who we might interview for the special edition of the RoundUp. This could include an original resident, a newcomer, a prominent Ranch figure, or even yourself! The second is to consider volunteering for one or more events. This can be done through Ranch committees and clubs, or by contacting the Association directly.





Dobson High Becomes First in State to Offer Dual Language Bridge Program

By Laurie Struna, Media Communications Specialist, Communications and Engagement/MPS







Photos (I. to r.): Cinthia Merino, world languages department chair at Dobson High School, helps students develop language skills that they can use outside of the classroom; The dual language program at Hermosa Vista empowers students to achieve a high academic performance; Keller Elementary School dual language students learn about other cultures and diversity. All photos by **Tim Hacker/MPS**.

Dobson High is launching the first dual language bridge program in Arizona in partnership with Arizona State University. The program provides an advanced pathway for native speakers and English Language Learner (ELL) high school students to learn English, maintain their native language and excel in school.

Starting fall 2022, Dobson's rigorous and supportive dual language bridge program launches with incoming ninth-graders. In two years, once they pass the Advanced Placement (AP) exam, students may continue taking university 300 and 400 level courses through ASU. This will provide the opportunity for students to earn a minor in Spanish while attending high school.

Patty Fernandez, world languages and dual language immersion specialist at Mesa Public Schools, shares that the program's purpose is for students to be successful in school by providing the opportunity to reach a high level of proficiency in both languages.

"We want to create bilingual students by helping them maintain both languages, and empower students to use their primary language while learning English and increase graduation levels," Fernandez says.

The program aligns with the Mesa Public Schools *Portrait of a Graduate*, preparing students for college, career and community.

"We are setting up our students for success in any career they choose," Fernandez says. "In the 21st century job market, a person may live in Arizona, but take a job with a company in Europe. Our students will be able to compete globally."

Cinthia Merino, world languages department chair and Dobson High Spanish teacher, shares that the program is a great fit for Dobson because of its large and diverse Hispanic population.

"We have a robust community of bilingual Spanish speakers, but they are not all speaking at an academic level," Merino says. "We want to give students an edge when it comes to job seeking."

Merino grew up interpreting for her parents and says it is not the same level of language that is used at a professional workplace. Merino says that while speaking the language is important, so is learning about both cultures, as well as developing an appreciation for the Hispanic culture outside of the United States.

Across the district

Beginning August 2022, Guerrero Elementary will add a dual language program. Kindergarten students will have the opportunity to become biliterate and bilingual. The program will grow with students as they progress through their grade levels and feed into Dobson High. This fall, Taylor and Stapley junior high schools are also launching a middle school model to serve incoming seventh-graders from the dual-language program at Hermosa Vista and Keller elementary schools. To complete the pathway, dual language programs will launch at Mesa and Mountain View high schools in fall 2024.

Learn more at mpsaz.org/dli.



Recreation Happenings

From the Recreation Director's Desk



By Jesse Wright Recreation Manager

Summer is here and it's time to cool off! Come out and enjoy your community pool and splash pad! See below for pool and splash pad Summer Hours. La Casita Rec. Center is open Monday-Sat-

urday from 8:00 am to 9:00 pm; Sunday 9:00 am to 8:00 pm.

The Rec. Department has exciting events coming up including Kids Summer Camp Discovery at La Casita which runs Monday to Friday through July 29th from 7:30 am - 5:30 pm.

We're excited to offer our second Parent/Junior (ages 8-17) 9-Hole Golf Tournament on Saturday, July 30th at the Dobson Ranch Golf Course. You can sign up your Junior golfer and add in the adult partner's name at registration. The cost is \$40 per twosome, and includes golf cart, hot dogs and chips, and one drink ticket for the adult.

Our Fall Bark in the Park is slated for Saturday, September 10th at Laguna Park. Sign up on the day of the event to participate in three in-person contests (Best Trick, Most Patriotic Pooch, and Pet Owner Lookalike). There'll also be vendors there that cater exclusively to your canine. It's sure to be a pawsitively perfect day for you and your pooch!

Golfers... mark your calendars for our 18th Annual Golf
Tournament on Saturday, September 24th. Registration starts
June 13th at La Casita Rec. Center. See page 22 for more info.

I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming summer events!

Tennis Tip for June



By Kwong YoungDobson Ranch Tennis Professional

Proactive vs. Reactive

Are you a **proactive** or **reactive** player? If you are a reactive player, you will most certainly make it harder for you and your partner to capitalize on the win. As a player, you must make good decisions and be a good trouble shooter in order to fix things when they are not working. If you don't apply this theory, then you're just going through the motions and hoping for the best when you play. That type of thinking can only go so far and typically doesn't work well in the team's favor.

When playing, try to have a competitive edge by knowing your strength and weaknesses as well as those of the other players (partner & opponents) and apply tactics and formation/transition (better court positioning). To perform best when playing tennis is to work on trying to outplay your opponents, rather than out hit them.

To simplify... Proactive tennis refers to whether players are making moves prior to the ball being struck by the opponent. Reactive tennis, on the other hand, refers to playing tennis in real-time by observing the incoming ball after it has been struck and then making moves accordingly.

LA CASITA RECREATION CENTER LOS ALTOS RECREATION CENTER SARATOGA RECREATION CENTER

Summer Building Hours:

Memorial Day 5/30 - Labor Day 9/5 9:00 am - 8:00 pm Sunday Monday 8:00 am - 9:00 pm 8:00 am - 9:00 pm Tuesday 8:00 am - 9:00 pm Wednesday 8:00 am - 9:00 pm Thursday Friday 8:00 am - 9:00 pm Saturday 8:00 am - 9:00 pm Open Holidays 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

Summer Pool/Splashpad Hours: Memorial Day 5/30 - Labor Day 9/5

 Sunday
 9:00 am - 8:00 pm

 Monday
 9:00 am - 9:00 pm*

 Tuesday
 Noon - 9:00 pm*

 Wednesday
 Noon - 9:00 pm*

 Thursday
 Noon - 9:00 pm*

 Friday
 Noon - 9:00 pm*

 Saturday
 8:00 am - 9:00 pm

 Open Holidays
 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

* Hours until July 29, 2022

Summer Building Hours:

 Memorial Day 5/30 – Labor Day 9/5

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Summer Pool Hours:

 Memorial Day 5/30 – Labor Day 9/5

 Sunday
 9:00 am – 8:00 pm

 Monday
 8:00 am – 9:00 pm

 Tuesday
 Noon – 9:00 pm

 (Dobson Dolphins practice 7:00 am-11:30 am)

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(Dobson Dolphins practice 7:00 am-11:30 am)
Friday Noon — 9:00 pm

(Dobson Dolphins practice 7:00 am-11:30 am)
Saturday
8:00 am - 9:00 pm

(Leisure pool open to residents during Dobson Dolphin practice.)

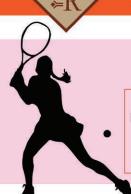
Please Note:

The Saratoga Recreation
Center Building is being
remodeled. The Saratoga pool
will be closed during the
remodeling.

We will let you know when the building and pool will be reopening.

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DOBSON RANCH TENNIS ACADEMY

PLEASE NOTE:

Kwong Young, our Association Tennis Pro, will be on vacation for two weeks in July. He will be teaching private classes only in July. See Private Instruction info at bottom of page.

The July Round Robin Social will be held on Saturday, July 9th from 6:00 to 8:00 pm.



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 I Sessions: Monthly Monday, August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 6156 \$50 R/\$75 NR Wednesday, Aug. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 6157 \$50 R/\$75 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, August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 6158 \$50 R/\$75 NR Wednesday, Aug. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 6159 \$50 R/\$75 NR

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.

8:00 am - 9:30 am | Sessions: Monthly Saturday, August 6, 13, 20, 27 | 6160 \$40 R/\$60 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 I Sessions: Monthly Monday, August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 6155 \$50 R/\$75NR

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 I 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm *August Social 8/20

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

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* to schedule private lessons. The Dobson Ranch tennis courts are for the exclusive use of Dobson Ranch residents and 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.



Recreation Happenings

RECREATION CLASSES

The following classes are tentatively on the schedule and are subject to change. Please visit the events calendar for the most up-to-date information at www.dobsonranch.com.

ADULT EXERCISE CLASSES

TAI CHI

Instructor: Linda

When: Wednesdays

Where: AM Classes & PM Classes at La Casita Recreation Center

Time: 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: La Casita Recreation Center YOGA
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.

PLEASE NOTE: We do not allow spectators at this 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, belly-

dance and reggaton. 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! Punch card expires 2 months from date of purchase. Punch Cards may be punched one time for residents only per class. No additional punches for guests or residents.

COMMUNITY TABLE TENNIS

(Drop In)

When: Fridays

Where: La Casita Recreation Center

Time: 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Table Tennis is available for Dobson Ranch residents only. Tables are available on a first come, first serve basis. Players must be 13 or over to participate or with an adult. Paddles and ball free to rent with driver's license or school ID.





GET YOUR PUNCH CARDS*
FOR RECREATION CLASSES
AT LA CASITA REC. CENTER

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



Recreation Happenings

AQUA ZUMBA

Instructor: Karen

When: Thursdays (June 2 – October 6)
Where: La Casita Recreation Center Pool

Time: 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Cost: \$7 drop in rate, \$30 resident only for a

5-use punch card.



Aqua Zumba keeps the Zumba Fitness workout party going in the pool. Aqua Zumba is classic aqua aerobics with Latin flavor added to regular Zumba routines. The typical land-based Zumba dance steps, such as cha-cha,

merengue, salsa, reggaeton, and mambo, are exaggerated and slower in water, so the water tempo is half the land tempo, creating a low-impact work out for all fitness levels. There is less impact on your joints during an Aqua Zumba class so you can really let loose. Water creates natural resistance, which means every step is more challenging and helps tone your muscles.

WATER AEROBICS

Instructor: Becky

When: Mondays – Thursdays (June 6 – October 6)

Where: La Casita Recreation Center Pool

Time: 7:30 am - 8:20 am

Cost: \$4 drop in rate, \$12 resident only for a

4-use punch card

This morning class will get you ready for the day. The class

consists of
exercises done in
shallow and deep
water. It will
change your
movements and
get your heart rate
going without all
the jolting. Expect
to have fun while
working out.



CHILDREN'S DANCE CLASSES

FAIRYTALE DANCERS (AGES 3-5)

Code: 6112

When: Thursdays (June 6 - July 11)
Where: La Casita Recreation Center

Time: 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Cost: Reg. 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 (continued)

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 info on this program, contact Jana Moore at 480-363-9997.

DANCE SAMPLER (AGES 5-8)

Code: 6106

When: Tuesdays (June 7 – July 12)
Where: La Casita Recreation Center

Time: 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Cost: Reg. 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. Contact Jana Moore at 480-363-9997.

INTRO TO BALLET & JAZZ (AGES 4-6)

Code: 6118

When: Thursdays (June 9 – July 14)
Where: La Casita Recreation Center

Time: 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Cost: Reg. 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. There will be a recital at the end of the session. Contact Jana Moore at 480-363-9997.

ACTIVITIES



Texan Hold 'Em Tournament Style Poker

(Must be 18 or older) When: Friday, June 24

Time: 6:30 pm (arrive by 6:15 pm)
Where: La Casita Rec. Center (Grande Room)

Poker night is a free monthly program for

Dobson Ranch residents. Meet your neighbors for a friendly game.



Bunco

When: Friday, June 17

Time: 6:30 pm (arrive by 6:15 pm)
Where: La Casita Rec. Center (Chica Room)
This fast-paced, yet easy game is played with
dice. It's a fun social hour with other residents.



Bridge

When: Mondays (in June & July)
Time: 12:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Where: St. Matthew United Methodist

Church - 2540 Baseline Road, Mesa

Cost: \$1.00 per player

We are actively seeking more bridge players. We play party bridge, singles and couples are welcome. Call **Susan Toevs** at 317-446-8641 for info or to join.

Cost for **Poker** and **Bunco**: Free to residents, \$5 non-residents.





You can bet our over 21 crowd was feeling mighty lucky at our first ever CASINO NIGHT on May 13 at L



Happenings

a Casita! To see lots more photos from this FUN-tastic event, please visit our Dobson Ranch HOA Facebook page.







PARENT-JUNIOR 9-HOLE TOURNY



\$40* per team TWO PERSON TEAMS
1 Parent & 1 Child (Ages 8-17)

SHOTGUN START 5:00 PM Check-in is at 4:30 pm.

INCLUDES: Golf Cart, Hot Dog, Chips & 1 Drink ticket for adult. Prizes will be awarded.

* Donation to The Pops & Junior Youth Golf Program

REGISTER VIA ACTIVENET TODAY.



Our **Summer Camp Discovery Kids** enjoyed crafts, games and swimming... with an "Around the World" theme during Week 1.



THE DOBSON ASSOCIATION



Recreation Happenings

It was great to have our 43rd Annual City Breakfast in person once again at La Casita on April 27.



Lynelle Glysson, Dobson Ranch Executive Director



Nicole Lynam, Dobson Ranch Board President



Kathrine Blomquist, DR Water & Lake Mgmt. Committee



Chris Brady, City Manager



John Giles, Mayor



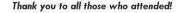
Francisco Heredia, District #3 Councilmember



Natalie Lewis, Deputy City Manager



A total of **36** City Officials, Dobson Ranch Board and Staff Members attended the Annual City Breakfast to learn about the goals and visions for the City of Mesa and District 3 in 2022 and beyond.





Project Administrator



Amanda Freeman, Special Danica Marlin, Community Engagement Specialist



Mesa PD Officers (I. to r.): Chief Ken Cost, Crime Prevention Officer **Amy Sailors** and Community Action Officer Kevin Hernandez





Lynelle Glysson with Commander Stephanie Derivan,



TOGETHER TOWARD **TOMORROW**



Congrats to all the "Li'l Ranchhands" who graduated from the La Casita Preschool on May 18th!





Recreation Happenings

SAVE THE DATE! SAVE THE DATE! SAVE THE DATE!

It'll be a paws-itively perfect day for you and your pooch!

Sat., September 10



Laguna Park

9am - 12pm • 2455 W. Laguna Azul

REGISTER TO ENTER OUR 3 IN PERSON CONTESTS:







BEST TRICK • MOST PATRIOTIC POOCH • PET OWNER LOOKALI

SIGN UP AT THE DOBSON RANCH RECREATION TENT ON THE DAY OF THE EVENT.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:



• \$25

YORKIE: BEAGLE:

- Vendor Table Yorkie Pkg. plus...
 - Recognition in 2 issues of RoundUp • D.R. App Promo
 - \$50



HUSKY:

- · Beagle Pkg. plus...
- \$75



GREAT DANE:

- Husky Pkg. plus...
- 8"x24" sign at
- event
- \$100

PET-RELATED VENDORS AND SPONSORS NEEDED!

Contact the Dobson Ranch Recreation Dept. at 480-831-7464.



TOURNAMENT

SAT., SEPTEMBER 24, 2022 DOBSON RANCH GOLF COURSE

Check-in: 6:30 am / Shotgun Start: 7:00 am

GOLF TOURNAMENT HIGHLIGHTS:



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Here's who you need to contact.

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General Meeting: In July retirees will meet at 6:30 pm on July 5th at La Casita. The Retirees' Club gets involved in several fundraising activities throughout the year, and has many activities for members to enjoy such as Dinner Night Out, Happy Hour, Movie Day, Bicycle Riding, and many more.

Contact: Susan Toevs, President at: suzilla@aol.com.

RETIREES' HIKING CLUB

Hikes are planned to such places at Salt River, White Tank Mountains, Usery Park, Estrella Mountains, Cave Creek, San Tan Mountains, etc. There are two hiking levels: **The Pacers** (shorter hikes) and **The Clippers** (longer hikes).

Contact: Barbara Stout, Chairperson at: stoutgeo@gmail.com.

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Dobson's eight courts at Los Altos Recreation Center are available to residents and their guests anytime between 7:00 am to 10:00 pm daily, so join us for some fun with family and friends to enjoy the fastest growing sport in America.

Contact: Rich Bitner at: rebitner@cs.com or Frank Mizner, Pickleball Commissioner at: planner1948@gmail.com.

DOBSON RANCH WOMEN'S CLUB

There are many activities in which the Women's Club members participate: Bunko, Out to Lunch, Out to Dinner, and more. Fundraising activities have provided scholarships to High School graduates living in Dobson Ranch.

Contact: Patty Smith, President at: smiths1975@cox.net.

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Ladies doubles tennis team competes in the Valley of the Sun league, playing Home matches on the La Casita Recreation Center tennis courts.

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This club is responsible for the annual Lighted Boat Parade and other boat-related activities throughout the year. **Contact: Wes VerWoert**, Chairman at: WesV56@gmail.com.

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This Club meets on the second Wednesday of each month, using Zoom, to help you stay connected and hear from exciting speakers. Visit their Facebook page to register for the next meeting: www.facebook.com/DobsonRanchDemocrats.

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Dobson Ranch Retirees' Club

By Susan Toevs, Club President

Dobson Ranch Retirees had a fascinating program on Antarctica. Rosemary James shared pictures of her expedition there and brought articles of subzero clothing that were necessary to wear when visiting the ice floes and islands. It was a vicarious experience for many of us who could only dream of seeing the magnificent penguins and other wildlife that she experienced. Special thanks to our Program Chairs, Karen Magnum and Jo LeVan, for finding such interesting programs for us this past year. We are anxiously awaiting what they will have for us when we resume our regular morning meetings in August.

We will be meeting in June and July at 6:30 pm at La Casita Recreation Center for food and fellowship time. Members will bring light hors d'oeuvres, desserts and our own non-alcoholic beverages.

Many of our winter visitor members have returned to cooler climates and we look forward to seeing them again next winter. Other members have also taken off to visit family and friends and to vacation in cooler temps, therefore many of our regular outdoor activities are on hold.

However, we shall continue to EAT! Ladies Lunch, Men's Breakfast, Happy Hour, and Dinner Night Out are still on our calendar. Games will be played and plans will be made for another exciting year.

Members please save the date, October 22nd, for our BIG Membership Gala with a band, food and fun, of course! Karen Magnan is forming a committee to plan the evening. Contact her at arizonamag@gmail.com to join the planning fun.



"Travels in Antarctica" presentation on May 2nd by Rosemary James.



Ladies Lunch at Merchant Square Restaurant on May 12th.



Men's Breakfast on May 9th at Crackers Café

The Retirees' Club had guest speaker Rosemary James at their General Meeting on May 2nd to discuss "Travels in Antarctica".























Dobson Ranch Clubs

Women's Club

By Patty Smith, Women's Club President

Well, the Suns did not make it to the finals... it was an exciting ride. Maybe next year?

Our **Out to Lunch** visits will resume in September. If you have any restaurant suggestions, please let **Chris** know.

Bunco was hosted by **Charlene** in May. We had many "roll offs". Thank you Char for a fun evening and dinner.

Another thank you goes out to **Patricia** who will host and open our Bunco in August.

Liz Helfand's Celebration of Life will be held on June 18th. A reception will be included at La Casita from 11:00 am to 2:30 pm. If you can help, please call Patty.

Please keep **Chris** in your thoughts and prayers while she continues to fight her health battles.

Happy Father's Day to the Dads in our lives. Have a fun summer and try to stay cool!

Blessings, Patty





DR Pickleball is Into Summer Survival Mode... Time to Hydrate and Pickle-ON!

By Rich Bitner, Recreation Committee Pickleball Representative

Our eight new dedicated pickleball courts at Los Altos remain busy as we move into the heat of summer, but we are seeing more "vacation absences" resulting from the end of the school year, residents seeking cooler climates, and other changes that call some players to "bug out" more often. Who does not need a vacation? Right!

We also must acknowledge the reality that we have some of our regular players temporarily on the DL (disabled list) due to injuries, some of which are related to pickleball, but biking and hiking and normal aging issues also figure in as well. We look forward to seeing them on the road back and out on the courts soon, and undoubtedly some of them will already be back by the time you read this.

Plenty of great play in our morning sessions, although we are seeing smaller numbers as folks head out to higher/cooler places, or take some time off. I am also hearing good reports of solid attendance in our evening sessions. We are also seeing more families and small groups come out at different times and continue to encourage everyone to explore the great opportunities we have on the Ranch for learning and playing pickleball, whether it is at our drop-in times, or on your own schedule to come out with your own foursome. If the "old guard" is there when you show up on your own, we would be glad to help out with some suggestions if you would like any help.

The new windscreens are up and look great, and we have four gates separating the courts from errant balls which would otherwise be interrupting play on the opposing courts. Our **Summer Schedule** for regular "Drop-In" Hours remains at

Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at 7:00 am, and Monday and Thursday evenings from 6:00 -10:00 pm under the lights, but is subject to adjust for attendance issues that sometimes develop. As always, the courts remain open to Ranch residents and their guests from 7:00 am -10:00 pm every day of the week, so drop by with your FOB for some fun with family and friends to enjoy the fastest growing sport in America!

New resident players for our "drop-in" times are always welcome to come out, but we do advise checking with us before to make sure our schedule has not changed. We provide balls for drop-in play through the generous donations of our players, and can provide loaned paddles, but please wear appropriate court shoes and make sure you are hydrating and bring plenty of water. Please contact Rich Bitner (rebitner@cs.com) or Frank Mizner (planner 1948@gmail.com) for further information, to get referrals for professional instruction, and to get on our email list for announcements regarding pickleball schedules and activities. Please contact Donna Ransom at donna 85202@gmail.com to get on her email list for Monday and Thursday night play.

Pickle-ON!



Archived photo from neighborhood tournament featuring double exposure, Rich calls "Barry's clone defense".



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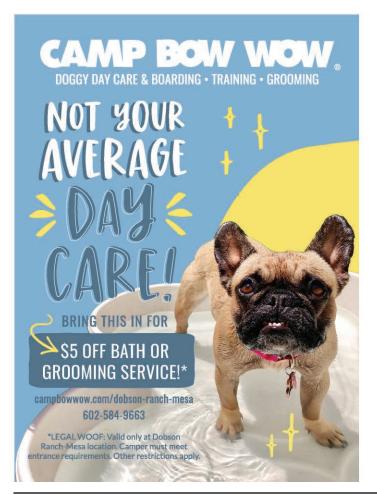
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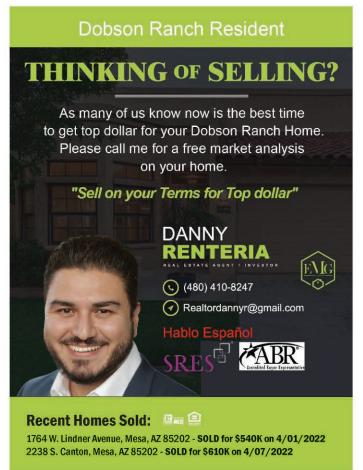




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