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HOA Payments/Statements/Information Fax (760) 200-2112
SCPDCAFinance@scpdca.com

Activities Coordinator (760) 200-2220
Julie.Pope@scpdca.com

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Compliance (760) 200-2205
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Main Gate (24 hours) (760) 360-6026
North Gate (6 a.m.–10 p.m.) (760) 200-2117

Events Department (760) 200-2210
Events@scpdca.com

Facilities Maintenance (760) 200-2226

Fitness Center Lake View (760) 200-2282

Fitness Center Mountain View (760) 200-2232

Golf Course Maintenance/Common Areas (760) 200-2265

Golf Shop Santa Rosa, Mountain View (760) 200-2200

Golf Shop San Geronio, Sunset View (760) 200-2120

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Christina.Ayala@scpdca.com

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Postal Center (760) 200-2236
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Register a Guest (760) 345-4278

Restaurant Boulevards (760) 200-2109

Restaurant Cali Café (442) 282-8209

Restaurant Daily Grind/Martini's (760) 200-2235

RV Lot Information (760) 200-2150

Tee-Off Automated System (760) 200-2296

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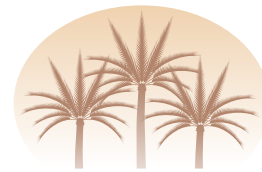
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SUN CITY PALM DESERT

Community Association

38180 Del Webb Blvd., Palm Desert, CA 92211

Hours of Operation

Mountain View Clubhouse

Daily • 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Sunset View Clubhouse

Daily • 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Lake View Recreation Center

Daily • 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Activities Office

Monday – Friday • 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Community Association Office

Monday – Friday • 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Events Office and News & Views

Monday – Friday • 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Postal Center

Monday – Friday • 9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Gate Hours

Main Gate • Open 24 Hours

All Other Gates • Open 5 a.m. – Midnight

North Gate • Manned 6 a.m. – 10 p.m.

Mountain View Fitness Center/Indoor Pool

Mon. – Sat. • 6 a.m. – 8 p.m. • Sunday • 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Outdoor Pool

Mon. – Sat. • 6 a.m. – 8 p.m. • Sunday • 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Swipe Card Access • 8 p.m. – 11 p.m.

Children's Pool Hours (ages 4 – 17)

Outdoor Pool • Daily • 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Indoor Pool • Daily • 12 – 3 p.m.

Lake View Fitness Center

Mon. – Sat. • 6 a.m. – 8 p.m. • Sunday • 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Pool • Adults Only (age 18+)

Mon. – Sat. • 6 a.m. – 8 p.m. • Sunday • 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Swipe Card Access • 8 p.m. – 11 p.m.

Resort Pool (Sunset View Pool) • Adults Only (age 18+)

Swipe Card Access Only • 6 a.m. – 11 p.m.

Guests must be accompanied by a resident at all times.

Newcastle Pool

Children's Hours • Daily • 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Dog Park Hours • 7 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Boulevards • Tuesday – Sunday • 11 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Cali Café • Monday – Sunday • 7 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Daily Grind • Monday – Friday • 7 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.





Executive Update

BY CLINT ATHERTON
GENERAL MANAGER

Heading into June, we leave behind May which marked a busy time for the Association staff and volunteers. Our staff can finally exhale as their budgets have been completed and are now approved. Our senior managers and finance team did an outstanding job working tightly with our Finance Committee and the Board of Directors.

The budget approval, however, does not mean the process is over. Our finance and admin teams then put together the annual disclosure package. This package must be sent out at least 30 days prior to the start of fiscal year which begins on July 1. This annual disclosure consists of a summary of our operating budget and reserve study. It also includes information regarding our insurance coverage, architectural guidelines, and enforcement policies among many other things. With so much information this packet can range from 60 – 80 pages. We do have the option of emailing this information as opposed to sending it via US Mail, but *every* member per California law must be sent this annual disclosure.

To receive the information electronically, an owner must “opt in” via writing. Currently we have only 1,700 owners opted in for electronic delivery. That means that we must mail out hard copy of this information to 3,285 owners! At 60 pages per packet, that is 197,100 copies we must make, stuff into envelopes and mail. A packet about that size with postage costs the Association just under \$20,000 to mail. This \$20,000 does not include all the staff and volunteer time it takes to make copies and stuff envelopes (not to mention the numerous paper cuts to go along with it).

In addition, we also have a smaller mailing that is required by California law in October which consists of our audited financials from the end of our fiscal year in June. Although this mailing is much smaller, it still will cost the Association over \$10,000 to mail it out to owners.

As you have gathered from reading the above, these required mailings cost the Association over \$30,000 annually, and with the price of postage and paper increasing, it will only go up in the future unless we can get more owners to opt in for electronic delivery. I hope by now you are asking yourself, “Am I already opted in?” or “How do I check?” or “I know I am not, but how can I opt in for electronic delivery?” To answer these questions, please contact Madison Lippert at Madison.Lippert@scpdca.com or Irma Lopez at Irma.Lopez@scpdca.com.

Although by the time you read this it will be too late to receive the 2025 annual disclosure electronically, we can set you up for all future required mailings and help save the Association big \$\$\$\$\$. If you have not already done so, please fill out and submit the two-page Address Verification form (a.k.a., “opt in” form) on pages 11–12 of this June issue.



Summer Reading...see pages 34–36

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The mission of the *News & Views*, the official magazine of the Sun City Palm Desert Community Association (SCPDCA), is to communicate to residents all news pertaining to the Association, focusing on Board and Delegate activity, Chartered Clubs, Resident Groups and other articles of interest, produced in the most professional and fiscally responsible means possible.

News & Views is distributed by District Delegates and their volunteers. Residents may purchase a mail subscription at the Community Association office for \$60 per year (\$5 per issue) to cover mailing and handling costs. *News & Views* is also available online at www.scpdca.com.

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Election 2025

2025 / 2026 Board of Directors

Sun City Palm Desert Community Association held an uncontested election this year, resulting in automatic appointment or appointment by acclamation of four candidates. There were four seats up for this election season, and only four candidates who applied, all incumbents. As a result of an uncontested election, ballots were not required for this election, declaring all candidates elected by acclamation and will serve a two-year term. Having uncontested elections means that the community



has trust in their leaders and is also saving money by not having election costs. These results were announced at our Annual Meeting held on May 6, 2025, followed by the Organizational Meeting. On May 6, the Association also held an Open Meeting where the Board approved the Operating, Capital and Reserve budget for the 2025-2026 fiscal year.

We thank all Board Members for their continued dedication, leadership, commitment and service to their community.

Candidates:

Randy Dugger, President

Gregory Howser, Board Member

Thomas Liebermann, Board Member

Susan Rogoff, Secretary

2025 / 2026 Delegate Council

At the May 6 Delegate Council Meeting, Delegates and Alternates took their seats. As the new fiscal year begins, new and returning Delegates lead the way to provide communication to the Association, Board of Directors and Staff. As respective representatives of their Districts, District Delegates may make recommendations for the benefit of their District, as well as for the entire group of Districts. Congratulations Council! We look forward to another great year in our premier Sun City Palm Desert Community.

Delegate Council 2025 – 26 Officers:

Charlie Thompson, Chair · Pam Mendelsohn, Vice-Chair · Vicky Harrison, Secretary

District 1 — Delegate: Ray Ferra · Alternate: Marla Baker

District 2 — Delegate: Charlie Thompson · Alternate: –vacant–

District 3 — Delegate: Susan Wolfe · Alternate: Linda Mayo

District 4 — Delegate: Shannon Soady · Alternate: Darrell Hartle

District 5 — Delegate: Pam Mendelsohn · Alternate: –vacant–

District 6 — Delegate: Sharon Perica · Alternate: –vacant–

District 7 — Delegate: Vicky Harrison · Alternate: Nancy Neal

District 8 — Delegate: David Strain · Alternate: Peter Schoenlaub

District 9 — Delegate: Paul Beaty · Alternate: Roger Blaemire

District 10 — Delegate: Walt Zarella · Alternate: Dea Froggatt

District 11 — Delegate: Judith Antonio · Alternate: Jo Ann Hunter

District 12 — Delegate: Kathy Bash · Alternate: Ken Bash

District 13 — Delegate: Marilyn Townsend · Alternate: Jeff Litel

District 14 — Delegate: Maralyn Howard · Alternate: Linda Jenkins

District 15 — Delegate: Christina Campbell · Alternate: David Kingsbury



Board of Directors' Meeting Report · 5-6-25

SUMMARY OF BOARD ACTION ITEMS AND MOTIONS

25-05-100 – A motion was unanimously carried to authorize Guralnick & Gilliland, Attorneys at Law, to execute and record an assessment lien on the following properties: #404072, #304387, #304173.

25-05-101 – A motion was unanimously carried to approve the revised bylaws for the Performing Arts Club, a Sun City Palm Desert Charter Club.

25-05-102 – A motion was unanimously carried to approve the purchase and installation of an 18' x 32' modular storage building at a cost not to exceed \$174,771. This includes a 10% contingency and will be funded through Accumulated Surplus.

25-05-103 – A motion was carried 6 to 1 (Long) to approve the purchase and installation of a permanent flagpole, field sign, announcer's booth, and 6' fence with 11' warning track and foul poles for the softball field at a cost not to exceed \$34,349. This includes a 10% contingency to be funded by Accumulated Funds.

25-05-104 – A motion was carried 6 to 1 (Rheuban) to authorize the purchase and installation of audio and video equipment in Ventana and Daily Grind/Martini's for an amount of \$131,791.71, plus a 5% contingency of \$6,952.22 for a total of \$138,743.93 to be paid from Replacement Reserves.

25-05-105 – A motion was unanimously carried to approve the purchase of two (2) ice machines for \$18,097.92 from RSD

(Refrigerated Supplies Distributor) to be paid from Replacement Reserves.

25-05-106 – A motion was unanimously carried to instruct staff to choose Best Buy Restaurant Equipment Supplies for purchasing the necessary equipment for the Daily Grind/Martini remodel at a cost of \$19,617.99 with an additional 10% contingency of \$1,961.80, bringing the total project cost to \$21,579.79.

25-05-107 – A motion was unanimously carried to authorize a new three (3) year agreement with Xpress Graphics Printing Company to produce the monthly *News & Views* magazine for the annual cost of \$144,569.16. This includes production, paper cost and shipping, based on a 96-page publication.

25-05-108 – A motion was unanimously carried to disclose the authorization of a change order related to the shipment of the battery systems and inverters for the solar project BAI# 23-09-107 due to newly imposed tariffs on this equipment being delivered from China. To keep the project on schedule and ensure continued progress an emergency executive session was convened, and the Board approved a not-to-exceed amount of \$168,000, to be funded from Accumulated Surplus to cover these additional tariff-related expenses. This amount will be reduced by 22% based on our contract with Collective Sun for a total cost to the Association of \$131,040.

ANNUAL MEETING

INSTALLATION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Charlie Thompson, member of the Election Committee, announced and declared the four candidates elected to the Board of Directors by uncontested election: Randy Dugger, Gregory Howser, Thomas Liebermann, and Sue Rogoff (all incumbents).

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

ELECTION OF THE OFFICERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously carried to nominate and elect the following Directors as Officers of the Board:
President, Randy Dugger; Vice President, Bruce Bennetts;
Treasurer, Steve Rheuban; Secretary, Sue Rogoff.

The complete approved minutes of the Board of Directors' Meetings are located in the Library and on the SCPDCA website.



SUN CITY
PALM DESERT

Community Association

2024-25 Board of Directors

Randy Dugger
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Bruce Bennetts
Vice-President
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Steve Rheuban
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Sue Rogoff
Secretary
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Director
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Tom Liebermann
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Dave Long
Director
davelong@rltrca.com



FINANCIAL REPORT

BY ARMANN ROHDE, FINANCE DIRECTOR

THROUGH MARCH 2025



The March 2025 financials were presented to the Finance Committee on Friday, May 2. March finished the month up \$25K to budget, \$483K actual vs. \$458K budget. Golf Shop revenue finished the month up \$40K to budget, \$718K actual vs. \$677K budget. Total golf rounds for March are up 616; and are up \$22K for the month.

Twilight Rounds are down (509) rounds and down (\$27K). However, 18-Hole and Tournament Rounds are up 875 and 345 and up \$34K and \$16K, respectively.

Food & Beverage revenues are down to budget by (\$61K) for the month of March, \$349K actual vs. \$409K budget. Daily Grind is up \$2K; Catering is up \$28K; and Boulevards is down (\$91K).

The Food & Beverage department did manage their flow-thru of expenses in Boulevards. With revenues being down

(\$91K), they decreased \$32K on their Cost of Sales and \$20K on their salary and wages. Year-to-date Boulevards profit & loss is down (\$59K) to budget. Boulevards remains closed on Mondays.

As of May 1, HR has 7 positions on their Open Positions Report. These open positions include one F&B Boulevards position, three Facilities Maintenance positions and three Golf Course Maintenance positions.

There were 31 homes that closed escrow in the month of March. Reserve Replenishment Assessment (RRA) Revenues are \$70,221 for March and fiscal year-to-date revenues are \$476,674.50.

Rolling forecasts were prepared this month including nine months actual and three months forecast. Currently, we are on track to make budget for the fiscal year.

Managers continue to review their departmental financials and will look for opportunities to increase revenues and decrease costs.

The Association remains in a sound financial position.

	Year-to-Date thru March 31, 2025			Forecast for Year ending June 30, 2025		
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Forecast	Budget	Variance
Operating Revenues						
Assessments and Other Income	\$ 17,490,684	\$ 17,402,835	\$ 87,849	\$ 23,276,604	\$ 23,205,355	\$ 71,249
Less: Reserve Assessments	(3,519,211)	(3,519,211)	-	(4,692,281)	(4,692,281)	-
Golf Shop	3,727,391	3,875,711	(148,320)	4,681,427	4,780,496	(99,069)
Food and Beverage	2,230,553	2,797,639	(567,086)	2,869,103	3,704,415	(835,312)
Communications	271,797	227,500	44,297	328,297	284,000	44,297
Post Office	185,289	211,717	(26,428)	236,288	262,456	(26,168)
Fitness	4,230	2,350	1,880	4,930	3,050	1,880
Gross Operating Revenues	20,390,733	20,998,541	(607,808)	26,704,368	27,547,491	(843,123)
Direct Operating Expenses						
Golf Shop	887,544	902,903	15,359	1,224,867	1,217,218	(7,649)
Food and Beverage	2,802,339	3,291,224	488,885	3,721,714	4,400,013	678,299
Communications	362,649	353,786	(8,863)	470,739	460,233	(10,506)
Post Office	233,425	279,872	46,447	327,863	364,652	36,789
Fitness	579,289	578,192	(1,097)	805,360	787,445	(17,915)
Total Direct Operating Expenses	4,865,246	5,405,977	540,731	6,550,543	7,229,561	679,018
Net Operating Revenues	15,525,487	15,592,564	(67,077)	20,153,825	20,317,930	(164,105)
Indirect Operating Expenses						
Administration	2,889,434	3,250,505	361,071	4,097,427	4,433,117	335,690
Community Patrol	1,176,416	1,209,404	32,988	1,596,343	1,608,205	11,862
Finance	832,747	935,687	102,940	1,247,324	1,291,340	44,016
Information Systems	411,203	422,720	11,517	603,398	574,245	(29,153)
Common Area Maintenance:						
Facilities	2,947,165	3,016,618	69,453	4,066,514	4,052,243	(14,271)
Grounds - General Use	2,231,460	2,215,202	(16,258)	3,014,233	2,996,766	(17,467)
Grounds - Golf Course	4,106,943	4,101,175	(5,768)	5,366,792	5,361,997	(4,795)
Total Indirect Operating Expenses	14,595,368	15,151,311	555,943	19,992,031	20,317,913	325,882
Operating Surplus / (Deficit)	930,119	441,253	(488,866)	161,794	17	(161,777)
Cable Rebate - Designated Income	299,100	-	(299,100)	398,800	-	(398,800)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenses	\$ 1,229,219	\$ 441,253	787,966	\$ 560,594	\$ 17	\$ 560,577



STAY INFORMED

Sun City has several options for receiving timely (and accurate) information regarding community events and activities

**REMEMBER:
YOUR DISTRICT DELEGATE IS YOUR FIRST POINT OF CONTACT
FOR INFORMATION**

HOA WEBSITE

Another great source of information is the Sun City website, www.scpdca.com, which provides information regarding:

- Board agendas and minutes
- Committee information
- Chartered clubs and resident group activities
- Association-sponsored events and activities
- Up-to-date notices and community information
- The Activity Portal that offers a wide range of engaging virtual experiences you can do from the comfort of your own home.

FACEBOOK

Stay connected with us by visiting our Facebook page www.facebook.com/scpdca.

ASSOCIATION EMAIL BLAST

Sign up for the Association email communications, which are sent as needed to ensure up-to-date and timely Association news and information.

To sign-up for the e-blasts, send an email to

Madison.Lippert@scpdca.com

NEWS & VIEWS

Be sure to read the News & Views each month. This monthly magazine contains information on events and activities within the community, Board of Directors' Meeting Reports, Summary of Board Actions items and Motions, Committee articles, Chartered Club events/activities, HOA-sponsored events/activities, and interesting articles spotlighting some of our residents. Each issue also has a General Manager's report and a Financial Report from our Finance Director. For more information on the News & Views send an email to **Irma.lopez@scpdca.com**

AVOID THE RUMOR MILL



Exhibit “A”

Sun City Palm Desert Community Association is pleased to offer e-mail distribution services to its members. By signing up for e-mail distribution, not only are you going green and saving trees, but you are saving the Association the substantial expenses of copying, postage and supply costs, ultimately keeping Association costs and assessments down. We are encouraging all Sun City Palm Desert Community Association Members to sign up for the e-mail distribution services.

The undersigned member hereby agrees that the documents listed below can be sent via e-mail in PDF format: (To download the free Adobe Reader software to view PDF documents, please go to www.adobe.com.)

- Newsletters & Emails
- Individual Notices
- Regular Board Meeting Notices
- Special Board Meeting Notices
- Proposed Rule Change Notification
- Request for Volunteers (Candidates, Committees, Inspector of Election, etc.)
- Annual Policy Statement and Annual Budget Report
- Insurance Coverage Summary
- Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Rights
- Secondary Address Notification Request
- Reserve Funding Plan
- Annual Update of Reserve Study
- Membership Meetings & Minutes (other than election materials)
- Rule Changes
- Annual Review of Financial Statement
- Document Disclosure Summary Form
- Assessment and Reserve Funding Disclosure Summary
- Assessment Collection Policy
- Notice/Assessments and Foreclosure
- Board Minutes Access
- Internal Dispute Resolution (IDR) Rights
- Architectural Changes Notice
- Monetary Penalties Schedule
- General Notice Posting Location
- Address Verification Notice





Address Verification Notice Pursuant to Civil Code §4041

Sun City Palm Desert Community Association (the "Association") is soliciting from each owner the preferred delivery method for receiving notices from the Association which shall include the option of receiving notices via an email address and/or a mailing address. Please note that *Civil Code* §4041 provides that if an owner fails to provide the address or addresses to which you wish to receive Association notices, the last mailing address provided in writing by the member or, if none, the property address within the Sun City Palm Desert community ("Community") shall be deemed to be the address to which the Association will send you notices.

Accordingly, it is requested that you provide the following information even if you have already previously provided a mailing address or addresses to the Association. **Please note that providing your email address saves Association funds and you can protect your private information by checking Box 1 below.**

You are not required to provide your email address to the Association, and you can change this form at any time via mail, email or as set forth below.

Return the completed form by Mail: SCPDCA, Address Verification, 38180 Del Webb Boulevard, Palm Desert, CA 92211

Hand deliver it to: the Front Desk at the Mountain View Clubhouse; put in the HOA drop box.

Owner's Response to the Association's Address Verification Request

A. Name of Owner(s): _____

B. Property Address within the Community: _____

C. Would you like to receive Association notices by email? (see **Exhibit A** for identification of such Association documents ("Association Documents"))

If yes, please check one of the 2 boxes below.

Box 1 ☐ By checking this box, I consent to receive all the Association Documents set forth in the attached Exhibit "A" via email provided however, **I opt out from sharing my private information** (my name, mailing address, property address and email address) with the rest of the Association Membership. My email address is: _____
My alternate email address, if any, is: _____

Box 2 ☐ By checking this box, I consent to receive all the Association Documents in the attached Exhibit "A" via email **and also consent to and agree that the Association may share my private information** (my name, mailing address, property address and email address) with the rest of the Association Membership.



My email address is:

My alternate email address, if any
is:

D. You also have the option to receive Association notices by mail. If you want to receive notices by mail, please insert the mailing address below. Address/Addresses to which notices from the Association are to be delivered:

E. You also have the option to receive Association notices by mail at an Alternate or Secondary Address. If you want to receive notices from the Association at an Alternate or Secondary Address, please set forth that address below. Alternate or Secondary Address to which notices from the Association are to be delivered:

F. Name and Address and, if available, valid Email Address of the owner's legal representative, if any (including any person with power of attorney or other person who can be contacted in the event of the owner's extended absence from the separate interest):

Is the residence owner occupied?

Yes ____ No ____

Is the residence rented out?

Yes ____ No ____

If yes, per the Association's governing documents, please attach a copy of the lease with the return of this Address Verification Notice.

Is the residence vacant?

Yes ____ No ____

Date: _____

Signature of Owner or insert a DocuSign or other method of email consent per Civil Code Section 4040: _____





Community Patrol

BY ERIK STACKLIE
COMMUNITY PATROL DIRECTOR

All of us in Community Patrol wish all the mothers a belated Happy Mother's Day and all the fathers a Happy Father's Day!

Relaxed Parking

There will be relaxed parking June 13–20 for Father's Day and Juneteenth. This means you and your guests may park on the street overnight without receiving a violation.

Summer Heat

With summer in full swing, drink plenty of water to stay hydrated and wear clothing that will keep you cool. Walk your dogs when the ground is not as hot, so they do not burn their paws, and ensure they have plenty of water since they cannot sweat to cool down.

Tips for the summer months:

- Reduce, eliminate, or reschedule strenuous activities until the coolest time of the day.
- Wear lightweight, light-colored clothing to reflect heat and sunlight.
- Drink plenty of water. Your body needs water to keep cool. Drink plenty of fluids even if you do not feel thirsty.
- Do not get too much sun. Sunburn reduces your body's ability to dissipate heat.

Heat disorder symptoms to look for:

- **Sunburn:** Redness and pain. In severe cases swelling, blisters, fever and headaches.
- **Heat Cramps:** Painful spasms usually in the muscles of legs and abdomen with heavy sweating.
- **Heat Exhaustion:** Sweating; weakness; cold, pale, clammy skin; thready pulse; fainting; vomiting; may have normal temperature. Seek medical attention if needed.
- **Heat Stroke:** Body temperature of 106° or higher; hot dry skin; rapid, strong pulse; possible unconsciousness. Seek medical attention IMMEDIATELY!

By taking care of our bodies while we are in the heat, we can avoid becoming a heat-related victim. Stay safe.

Garage Doors

Garage doors must always remain closed, except while working in the garage. The garage door may be partially open 1–2 feet during summer months for ventilation.

New Company for Community Patrol

Vintage Group was purchased by Titanium Security on March 15. Nothing has changed as far as their personnel goes.

Pet Rescue Info

I.D. collars should be worn by every pet. It is recommended that you also have your pet microchipped. If you lose or find a pet, notify the Main Gate (360-6026); they will contact an animal rescue volunteer.

Be sure to register your pet!

To download the form from the SCPDCA website, click on *Documents & Forms*, then scroll down to *Pet Registration Form*.

If you are a member of One Group at Sun City Palm Desert, you can also post a LOST/FOUND DOG/CAT notice with breed, color, size, location and phone number.

Trash Pick Up • Tuesdays

Trash containers may be put out no earlier than 4 p.m. the day before pick up and must be taken in by midnight the day of pick up.

When a holiday falls on a Monday* or Tuesday, service will be delayed one day.

Remaining 2025 holidays are as follows:

* Labor Day, September 1

Posted Stop Signs

Posted stop signs are meant for golf carts and bicycles, too. Citations will be issued for failure to stop. Riding bicycles on the sidewalks is NOT permitted at any time!

Prevent Rust Stains on Driveways

One of the main reasons for rust stains on driveways is due to washing golf carts on driveways. Acid from batteries drips onto the driveway which causes unsightly rust.

VIOLATION SUMMARY • APRIL 2025

Excessive Speed	113
Failure to Stop at Posted Stop Sign	17
Parking On the Street Overnight	14
Vehicle Blocking the Sidewalk	10
Pet – Dog Barking	7
Handicap Parking	5
RV – Creating a Hazard	4
Parking – Other	3
Gate Strike	2
RV – Excess of 72 Hours	1
Abusive Language/Behavior	1
Parking in Restricted Area	1
Red Curb	1
Monthly Total	179

CITATIONS ISSUED

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From the Delegate Council

BY CHARLIE THOMPSON
CHAIR, DELEGATE COUNCIL

Volunteer to
HELP
Your Delegate
Deliver the
News & Views!

2025 Annual Meeting Report

We continue to attract a Zoom audience averaging 15 residents; our average live audience consisting of five “regulars.” Since COVID, residents prefer attending via Zoom.

We introduced you to three members of our staff: Brian Locke, our new IT Communications Director; Julie Pope, our new Activities Coordinator; and Armann Rohde, our Finance Director. Each addressed the challenges they face and projects on their horizon.

Senior Managers and Committee Chairs briefed the Council on projects impacting Sun City:

- The new QR code gate entry system, CVWD’s main waterline replacement project, the North Channel clean-up, and our dog parks.
- Revised Guest Card program, softball field upgrades, and fitness classes under consideration.
- Updates on EPC training exercises and programs, response to community emergencies, and presentations, e.g., turning off utilities in emergencies.
- The new exterior paint schemes, how “watch homes” are monitored by the LEC, and other LEC operations.

The Riverside County Transportation Commission briefed us on the Valley’s 2024 Traffic Relief Plan, focusing on its impact on Sun City.

Committee liaisons kept you current on emerging issues of concern:

- LEC activity relative to violations, inspections and projects.
- CMAC sponsored programs (e.g., the Community EXPO, Halloween Party, Speaker Series, Cinco de Mayo, and Active Adult Health Fair), community dances and concerts.
- EPC’s training programs, health-related seminars, and the results and lessons learned from different exercises.
- Fitness & Recreation status reports of equipment needs from various clubs and consideration of new health-related fitness classes.
- Erik’s quarterly resident meetings, items under discussion by the Public Safety Committee, data on traffic violations, and studies undertaken to enhance safety.
- The Strategic Planning Committee’s on-going review of accomplishments, prioritized recommendations for Board approval, and on-going monitoring of objectives set in the Plan.

We continually address your concerns to the Board, i.e., speed monitors and cameras, street conditions, white lines on Del Webb, the need for more ADA parking spaces, and the status of our solar project. You name it; we raised it! Our meetings provided the forum to gain the Board’s attention and interact on your behalf.

We successfully continue our mission: listening to you and carrying forward your concerns. All in all, a good year.



HOA SPONSORED EVENTS



Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon

Thank you to all volunteers who joined us for this 'journey around the world'.

We are incredibly grateful to each and every one of you who has given your time, energy and heart to this Association. Thank you for being the backbone of our success, your generosity and spirit inspire us every day.



National Prescription Drug Take Back Day

Sun City hosted our National Prescription Drug Take Back Day on April 26. Thanks to staff member, Irma Lopez, for pulling together two Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Riverside District Office agents Mike Callahan (L) and Art Mendez (R) to help facilitate the recovery of expired, unused and partially empty medicines from owners. Per the DEA Diversion Investigator, Gillian Hadland, SCPDCA collected a total of 32 boxes, or 393 pounds, that would have otherwise been improperly discarded. That is almost 400 pounds of reclaimed meds that will not end up in our ground water. Sun City HOA would like to thank everyone for their attendance and for bringing their expired and or unused meds in...we look forward to hosting yet another event in the fall. Watch for more information to follow...



Activities Update

BY JULIE POPE
ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR
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SIX MONTHS!

As I reflect on the past six months since my hire, I am truly amazed by the support from this community. The camaraderie shared through various social interactions—from clubs to fitness classes to the many connections I see during meetups at the Daily Grind and Martini's—has been remarkable. With my office just a short distance away, I have thoroughly enjoyed witnessing the strong sense of community that exists here.

It truly feels like I've been here much longer, as I consider this my home, even though I do not live on the property. I feel valued, and many have shared wonderful words of appreciation and, better yet, ideas! I truly appreciate the sense of togetherness that permeates Sun City Palm Desert.

It takes more than a village to showcase the beauty within our community. I am fortunate to see and feel this beauty throughout. It takes a dedicated HOA Administration and Staff paired with a wonderful group of residents to accomplish all that is offered here. Clint, the Finance Department, and

the Strategic Planning Committee, amongst others, excel at keeping the community's best interests at the forefront. The addition of Dan Randles this past month has brought further leadership to this great community. This teamwork, along with the commitment and dedication of our volunteers, keeps Sun City among "*The 8 Best Places to Retire in America*." Sun City Palm Desert is the ONLY active adult community in the Valley to be awarded the HOA Medallion of Excellence, which speaks volumes about all of you and makes me proud to tell people where I work!

I have come to understand the significant effort volunteers invest in every action, whether it be in a club, committee, or resident group, to deliver outstanding events and activities. Thanks to those of you who continue to graciously volunteer your time and talent. Many residents have spoken with me about offering their time to volunteer, and I encourage those who approached me previously to please send me an email if you would like to help with various upcoming activities this fall that will require assistance. If you have not reached out or have never volunteered but are interested, I would be delighted to receive an email from you, too! There are never too many volunteers, and I am ready for new views and ideas! I await them all! As renovations continue, I want to reach out early and determine what areas interest each of you and begin to plan. Please "hop on the bus" with me at some point (literally and figuratively)!

Again, thank you for the warm welcome. The energy from the Community, Administration, Board, District Delegates, Chartered Clubs, Resident Groups, Committees, Event Staff, and the Food & Beverage Team is incredibly uplifting. Accepting this position has been the best decision I ever made and I feel fortunate to have been offered this opportunity!

I look forward to the days, months and, hopefully, the years ahead! Warm regards,

Julie



Mission Inn · December 2024



Beer We Go · March 2025



WILL YOU....

"CATCH" a seat on the Bus?



Life's a pitch! Don't foul out!

Thursday, June 5 - DODGERS vs. METS

Game at 1:10 p.m. - \$115 ea.

Depart at 9 a.m. - Return by 8 p.m.

**TICKETS FOR
ALL GAMES ARE
ON SALE NOW!**

Sunday, July 27 - ANGELS vs. MARINERS

Game at 1:07 p.m. - \$120 ea.

Depart at 9:30 a.m. - Return by 8 p.m.

Sunday, August 10 - PADRES vs. RED SOX

Game at 1:10 p.m. - \$135 ea.

Depart 9 a.m. - Return by 8 p.m.

**PRICE INCLUDES: BUS TRIP, TICKET AND A BAG OF SNACKS
TO PURCHASE TICKETS:**

EMAIL: JULIE.POPE@SCPDCA.COM WITH YOUR MEMBER NUMBER



ONLY 55 SEATS AVAILABLE PER GAME ** TICKETS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE

**Limited Seats
Non-Refundable**

\$60 ea.



A trip to the Queen Mary

Offering Happy Hour at the Observation Bar

Live Music & Dancing

Tickets on Sale Now!



**Email Julie at: Julie.Pope@scpdca.com - to pay by Member Charge
Departing Sun City June 24th 11:00 am - Returning 10:00 pm**



SUN CITY POSTAL CENTER



- **Mail Services:** USPS, FedEx and UPS. This includes international shipping to most countries. We have an assortment of envelopes, boxes, bubble wrap, and packing tape for purchase to meet all your shipping needs.
- **Private Mailboxes:** Mailboxes are available for 3-, 6-, and 12-month rentals. You can have your important mail and packages sent directly to your safe, secure private mailbox. We will sign for your wine shipments.
- **Notary Services:** Walk-in service is available Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Please bring the entire document and your driver's license or passport as identification. The cost is \$15 per signature.
- **Secure Document Shredding Service:** Secure shredding for documents, CDs, etc. The cost is 99¢ per pound. Shredding done by Desert Arc bi-weekly right here on our property, so it is very secure.
- **For Sale Board:** Just bring us the information and we will type up the ad. The cost is only \$6 for a 30-day ad. There is an extra fee to add a picture.
- **Laminating Service:** We offer laminating services for documents up to 11" x 17" in size, ranging from \$1 – \$3/sheet. Great for Clubs and Resident Groups alike.
- **Lottery & Scratchers:** When you are feeling lucky, we sell Lottery games, including California Super Lotto, Mega Millions and Powerball. We also sell a variety of Scratchers ranging in price from \$1 – \$30. You just might be the next multi-millionaire!
- **Fax and Scan-to-Email Service:** (within the U.S. and Canada) To receive a fax, the number is 760-766-1599. The cost to send/receive a fax is \$1.50 per page up to 10 pages – additional pages are 75¢ each. Scan-to-email service is also available.
- **Copy Services:** We offer black & white and color copies in letter, legal and ledger size. We also have a wide selection of colored paper to choose from.
- **Greeting Cards and Small Gift Items:** We have a large assortment of greeting cards, small gifts and must-have items like our brand-new Sun City license plate holders and so much more.
- **Exterior Light Bulbs:** Sun City-approved for garage, address and mailboxes.

Tips to expedite your visit:

- Have your packages packed up and ready to go before you arrive.
- UPS / FedEx daily package pick up is at 2:30 p.m., so have those packages to the Postal Center by 2 p.m. to ensure they go out the same day.
- U.S. Postal Service mail and packages are picked up daily by 12 p.m.
- International Mail: We offer international shipping with all carriers: USPS, FedEx and UPS.

We cannot accept debit or credit cards. We only accept cash or check with your SCPDCA ID.

MOUNTAIN VIEW CLUBHOUSE | OPEN MONDAY – FRIDAY 9 A.M. – 3:30 P.M. | 760-200-2236





Food & Beverage News

BY ALEX GUILLIANO | FOOD & BEVERAGE DIRECTOR

Hi there, Sunshine!

Tick tock, tick tock...time to break out the shorts, polos and shades; summer is officially in full swing! I know most of you are loving this warm, beautiful weather...but me? I'm still getting use to the HEAT!

Now for some exciting news: *Mountain View Clubhouse is about to get a makeover!* We're gearing up for renovations and let me tell you—it's going to be fabulous. It's an honor to be part of this transformation, and we can't wait for you to walk through those doors and say, "Wow, this is my club!"

And as if summer wasn't sweet enough, June is here, and that means it's fruit and veggie time! Hit the farmers markets for apricots, cherries, blueberries, melons, mangoes and my favorites—peaches and strawberries! And don't forget the BBQ classics—avocados, corn on the cob and beets. Yum!

While the season slows down a bit, the Food & Beverage team is revving up behind the scenes! We are busy dreaming up fresh new menus, tasty new wines, and exciting happy hour ideas. Plus, we're crafting some updated SOPs (a.k.a. the "how-we-do-things" playbook) to streamline operations and help new team members thrive. We're even putting together a fun little guide called *Standards of Excellence*, a cheat sheet for bringing world-class service to every guest, every time.

But enough of the business talk—let's get to the fun stuff! Here's what's coming up in June...

SUMMER HAPPY HOURS

Tuesday to Sunday | 12 – 4 p.m.

Cool drinks, hot vibes, and plenty of shade to chill under.

CHEF'S TABLE SCHEDULE

Tuesday to Sunday | 1 – 4 p.m.

- *Tuesday* – Taco Tuesday | \$6 for 2 crunchy or soft tacos
- *Wednesday* – \$2 Corkage Fee (BYOB & save!)
- *Thursday* – Sloppy Joe Sliders | \$6 for 2
- *Friday* – Fajita Friday | \$5 chicken or veggie
- *Sunday* – Pulled Pork Sundae | \$6
(yes, it's as fun as it sounds!)

What's brewing at the Daily Grind? We're getting a mini-makeover and leveling up the coffee game! In the meantime, join us *Monday to Friday, 7 – 11 a.m., for coffee & pastries* in the Boulevards Private Dining Room (next to the Billiards Room) or the patio just outside the bar.

Thanks for being the heart and soul of this place. Your smiles, laughs, and loyalty make every day better—and I couldn't be more grateful.

Cheers to summer, fun, and good food!

2024-2025 COMMITTEES

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If you are interested in any Committee vacancies,
please stop by the Mountain View Clubhouse and ask
for Irma Lopez, Events Coordinator.
Call us at 760-200-2223.

Give back and be a part of this wonderful community.

Committee Reports

CMAC

By Kathie Miller, Community Marketing & Activities Committee

It's an incredible honor to be the new Chair of the CMAC.

For those who don't know me, I've called Sun City home for the past two and a half years. Before that, I lived in Oregon, where my husband and I raised reining horses—a job that taught me patience, quick thinking, and how to stay calm when things go galloping off in the wrong direction. All skills that, I hear, will come in handy here also.

Professionally, I spent 20 years as a social worker for the Department of Welfare, helping people through life's challenges with dignity. After that, I worked as an activity director in Yuma, where I focused on bringing people together, staying organized, and keeping things fun—ideally with snacks.

I'd like to take a moment to sincerely thank Jay Leiberman for his incredible 13 years as Chair. Jay, your leadership and sense of humor have left a lasting mark. I hope to fill the big shoes you've left—or at least not trip over them too often!

As I step into this role, my goal is to listen, collaborate and help CMAC serve our community with energy, transparency, and heart. I'm truly excited for what's ahead and so grateful for the chance to give back to a place that's already given me so much.

Thank you—I look forward to working with each of you!

Compliance Committee

By Sonya Cowin

Golf Carts

"Grandma, Grandpa, let me drive your golf cart by myself." That is what any of our young grandchildren say. They look at you with their eyes wide open and a look of innocence. They try until you give in. BUT DO NOT. Stay strong, tell them that they are too young, they do not have a driver's license or insurance.

Just the other day I saw a golf cart loaded with young children standing and sitting with the driver nowhere near the age of a licensed driver. My heart beat fast as I imagined children falling out of the golf cart and crying. This has happened. We are aware of accidents in golf carts that are being driven by adults. Unfortunately, there have been severe results such as broken bones and even death.

Keep a copy of your driver's license in your golf cart, also keep your current address and phone number of the owner of the cart if needed to help the patrol notify your family.



The next time your grandchildren plead with you to drive the golf cart, hug them, let them know how much you love them, and that they will be allowed when they are of legal age.

Library Committee

By Mary Tapley, Chair

Welcome to new volunteers, Diana Gilbertson and JoEllen Goforth.

The Library is projected to be closed until August 11 during the renovation of the Sunset View Clubhouse. Watch e-blasts for updated information regarding the opening date of the Library. During the closure, we will not be able to accept donations or returns. **Please hold items until we can resume normal operations. Please do not leave items outside the Library or clubhouse.**

During the closure, please consider eBooks that can be easily downloaded to any computer, laptop, tablet or smart phone. The Riverside Library System has options including one called ZIP books.

Thanks to all who support and miss the Library as much as the volunteers do! We look forward to seeing you in the fall.

Lifestyle Enhancement

By Kathy Krier, Chair · For questions contact LEC at (760)200-2213

June is busting out all over! It really is. The HOA remodeling project has started, and changes are in the works. But don't

worry, the LEC will continue to work for and with you as always. We will continue to review projects all summer. The application process remains the same. You may drop your application off at a drop off box in Mountain View Clubhouse, mail it via snail mail, or you may email your application.

The LEC will work every Tuesday morning in the Sewing Room at Mountain View. LEC volunteers can meet with you by appointment. The LEC staff will continue to meet with homeowners Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday by appointment. (Call 760-200-2213) When you call for an appointment, they will inform you as to where you will meet due to the construction.

Have a great month. See you around the neighborhood.

Public Safety Committee

By Dan Oates

Safe Golf Cart Driving in Sun City

Driving a golf cart in Sun City is a convenient and enjoyable way to get around, but it comes with responsibilities to ensure everyone's safety on the road. Here are some essential guidelines and tips for safe golf cart driving in Sun City.

First and foremost, you must have a valid driver's license to operate a golf cart on the streets of Sun City. This rule is in place to ensure that the driver has a basic understanding of road safety and the ability to operate the vehicle responsibly. Children without a license cannot drive a golf cart, even if accompanied by an adult.

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Lifestyle Enhancement Committee

CALL FOR APPOINTMENT 760-200-2213

PROJECT SUBMITTALS AND APPROVAL PROCESS

The LEC Committee continues to receive and review exterior projects for their Tuesday meetings. Residents may submit projects the following ways: 1) Email to LECprojects@scpdca.com; 2) First class mail to 38-180 Del Webb Blvd., Palm Desert, CA 92211; or 3) Drop off at the Mountain View Clubhouse HOA Dropbox.

A completed application submittal could take up to 15 business days for approval and processing.

Our LEC Staff is in the office Monday – Friday. They are available via phone and email to help you with any project, violation and/or resale-related questions.

The LEC now has a window for Homeowner Assistance across from the Daily Grind that is open Monday–Friday from 8:30 – 11 a.m. and 1:30 – 3 p.m. (closed on Tuesdays). These hours have been established to better streamline services and improve the homeowner experience.

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Jessica Castillo, LEC Project Coordinator · Jessica.Castillo@scpdca.com · 760-200-2278

Jacob Hernandez, LEC Home Inspector · Jacob.Hernandez@scpdca.com · 760-200-2214

Eric Perez, LEC Home Inspector · Eric.Perez@scpdca.com · 760-200-2244

Rebecca Parker, LEC Administrative Assistant · Rebecca.Parker@scpdca.com · 760 200-2213

LEC members may enter your property Monday – Friday 7 a.m. – 4 p.m., and try hard not to disturb you.

Committee Reports

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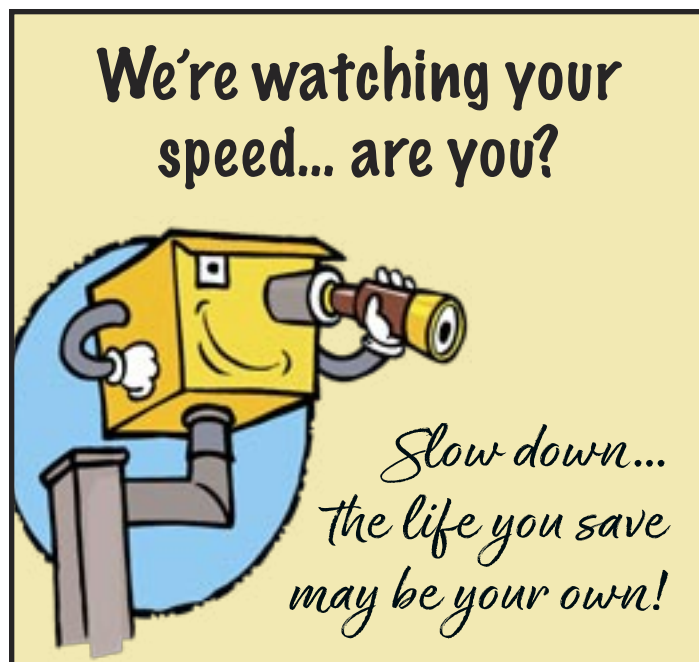
All California rules of the road apply to golf carts. This means drivers must stop at all stop signs, signal when turning, and obey all other traffic laws. Treating the golf cart with the same respect and caution as you would any other vehicle is important.

Children often enjoy riding in golf carts, but it is essential to remember that a golf cart is not a toy. Passengers should remain seated at all times and the cart should not be overloaded with more passengers than there are seats. Overloading the cart can lead to accidents and injuries, so always ensure everyone is seated properly.

When driving a golf cart, use the designated golf cart lanes whenever they are available. These lanes are designed to keep golf carts safe and separate from larger, faster-moving vehicles. If you need to make a left turn, safely transition out of the golf cart lane and signal your intention to other drivers. Stay to the right whenever possible on residential streets to allow cars and trucks to pass easily.

Lastly, it is essential to remember that cars and trucks are heavier and faster than golf carts. In the event of a collision, the golf cart is at a significant disadvantage. Always be aware of your surroundings, drive defensively, and prioritize safety to avoid accidents.

By following these guidelines, you can ensure a safe and enjoyable experience while driving a golf cart in Sun City. Remember that safety always comes first, and responsible driving is key to preventing accidents and injuries.



Emergency Preparedness (EPC)

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS DISTRICT CONTACTS

1 Doug Smith	626-533-2520
2 David Gaddie	865-963-5224
3 Chantelle Ethier	403-804-7191
4 Bill Harvey	765-277-6552
5 Dan McCarthy	626-862-1177
6 Marla Fee	949-292-6069
7 David Roberson	206-499-0456
8 Bob Kramer	760-992-6877
9 Mary Robinson	425-766-3888
10 Ed Purcell	310-291-6329
11 Joni Migdal	310-877-9292
12 Lloyd Gladden	310-925-1757
13 Bruce Johnston	949-278-0565
14 Doug Smith	626-533-2520
15 Kris Gilbert	916-295-7971
Chair Robyn Mack	760-772-1756
Vice Chair Jeff MacDonald	310-962-4080

MONTHLY MEETINGS

- **INTRODUCTION TO EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS** | Dark until October 2. A broad view of our community's preparations to assist residents in a disaster. Valuable information for *everyone* living in Sun City. Everyone welcome. For more information contact Marla Fee at scpdeoc@gmail.com.
- **EPC DIRECTORS AND DISTRICT OPERATIONS** | Wednesday, June 11, 9 AM, San Gorgonio, Mountain View. Everyone welcome. For more information contact Robyn Mack at desertrobyn@gmail.com.
- **RADIO TRAINING** | Tuesday, June 24, 10 a.m. For details or contact Scott Morse at skmorse78600@gmail.com.

FIRST AID DISASTER PLANS | In a disaster, EPC plans to initially open the *First Aid Station at Mountain View* (Bldg. D, tennis court) with possible additional First Aid Stations at Sunset View (bocce court patio) and/or Lake View (Tahoe room). Tune into AM 1620 for updates.

HELP OUR COMMUNITY | To volunteer to assist your neighbors in a disaster and help them prepare, contact Marla at scpdeoc@gmail.com.

VIAL OF LIFE | Contact scpdeoc@gmail.com for a Vial of Life and/or medical form insert. The form is also on our website: Menu, Documents & Video. Keep your information current.

VISIT EPC ONLINE | For information on EPC and how to be prepared, scan here or go to epc.scpdcaclubs.com.





Why We Practice

By Ann Floden

Practice is the cornerstone of learning and skill development. It leads to better performance, gaining confidence in one's abilities and learning from our mistakes. This April several of our EPC teams put this concept to work.



SEARCH & RESCUE, April 14

Residents being "evacuated" to the Lake View Recreation Center patio.

In case of a disaster, the first assignment of the Search & Rescue (S&R) Team is to evacuate the three clubhouses. Each clubhouse has nooks and corners that need to be checked for fire hazards, gas leaks or persons who might be trapped or injured. Residents and personnel need to be evacuated outside. Teams maintain radio contact with the Emergency Operations Center (EOC). Nine S&R and three EOC Radio team members participated. Our thanks to the residents for their cooperation during these practice drills and the HOA Emergency Response Teams.

If you routinely spend time in one of the clubhouses, you should know where to exit in case of an emergency. Did you know Mountain View Clubhouse has two fire doors which automatically close off various areas and this affects the exit routes available? One is positioned between the glass studio and the computer tech lab. The other is by the main lobby entrance, near the restrooms.

Adding interest to the planned drill was a real magnitude 5.2 earthquake that occurred near Julian and was felt here. The Elsinore is one of the largest faults in southern California (190 miles long through San Diego County and dividing into the Chino and Whittier faults at Los Angeles). Historically it is one of the quietest faults, however, it is capable of producing a magnitude 7.8 earthquake.

HAM RADIO, April 18

This was World Amateur Radio Day. Our HAM team took part by sending messages from our residents to their designated out-of-state email address via Winlink Global Radio Email. This system, designed for disasters which involve large numbers of people, is faster than one HAM radio operator calling to another and is able to operate without the Internet.

The team also talked to Sonoma (CA), Michigan and England on digital mobile radio. They joined the Coachella Valley Amateur Radio Emergency Service's test exercise and advised them of the status of Sun City Palm Desert.

We plan to practice this exercise again and encourage you take part by sending a message to your out-of-state contact.



HAM radio station set up on the Mountain View Clubhouse front patio.

BY GEORGE BOUCHER
ASSISTANT FITNESS DIRECTOR

Cardio Equipment Update

The fitness centers have exciting updates for you! If you visit the fitness centers, you may have noticed the beautiful new treadmills. For those who don't frequent the gym, we encourage you to stop by and check them out.

The Fitness Department and the Fitness & Recreation Committee conducted extensive research to find the best replacement cardio equipment. After months of testing various products, we decided Technogym was the perfect choice for our fitness centers. We recognized the need to update and upgrade our cardio equipment, and the new Technogym treadmills are user-friendly and easy to get started on.

Please note that the screens on the new treadmills are very sensitive to sanitary wipes, so we kindly ask you to please refrain from wiping the screens.

To make room for the new equipment, we reached out to the Riverside County Fire Department and donated the old treadmills to them. They have picked them up and are very appreciative of the gift, which will be put to good use at various stations.



George with Lou Ann Lieberman, Chair of the Fitness & Recreation Committee, and the Riverside County firemen picking up the donated treadmills

We hope you enjoy the new equipment and the refreshed look of the fitness centers!

If you have any questions, please contact one of our fitness centers at the numbers below.

Mountain View Fitness Center: 760-200-2232

Lake View Fitness Center: 760-200-2282



Health & Fitness News

BY GLENN SMITH
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Lifestyle Changes for Lasting Results

No matter what time of year you decide to eat better, exercise more, or be less stressed, it can be hard to make a lifestyle change, and even harder to make it stick. Experts say efforts to change are more likely to produce results if they are SMART, that is Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic, and Time-based. If you're thinking of making a change, see if your goal can pass the SMART test:

1. Set a very **specific** goal. For example: I will add one fruit serving — that's half a cup, chopped — to my current daily diet.
2. Find a way to **measure** progress. For example, I will log my efforts each day on my calendar.
3. Make sure it's **achievable**. For example, don't set a goal of a daily 5 mile run if you're out of shape. If you can't safely or reasonably accomplish your goal, set a smaller, achievable one.
4. Make sure it's **realistic**. It may seem counterintuitive but choosing the change you most need to make — let's say, quitting smoking or losing weight — may not be as successful as choosing the change you're most confident you'll be able to make. Focus on sure bets: if you picture a 10-point scale of confidence in achieving your goal, where 1 equals no confidence and 10 equals 100% certainty, your goal should land in the 7-to-10 zone. For instance, one additional fruit serving a day is a small, manageable step toward better health.
5. Set **time** commitments. Pick a date and time to start. For example, Wednesday at breakfast, I'll add frozen blueberries to my cereal. Pick regular check-in dates: I'll check my log every week and decide if I should make any changes in my routines to succeed. Find an outside deadline that will help keep you motivated.



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For example, signing up for a charity run or sprint triathlon on a certain date prods you to get a training program under way and stick with it.

For help with your fitness program, it is best to consult with a personal trainer. By definition, a personal fitness trainer is a fitness professional possessing the knowledge, skills and abilities for safe and effective exercise and fitness program design, instruction and assistance for the purpose of reaching personal health and fitness goals. We have either men or women to choose from. For further information, contact Glenn Smith (Mt. View) at 760-200-2240.

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SUN CITY SUPPORT GROUPS

Alzheimer's & Dementia Support Group

We meet twice a month, on the 2nd and 4th Thursday, from 1–2:30 p.m., in the Lake View Recreation Center. From June 22 thru Sept. 28, we meet in the Big Bear Room. From Oct. 12 until June 27, we meet in the Tahoe Room. This group is only for the CAREGIVERS of ones suffering from any form of Dementia. We confidentially discuss issues related to coping with your caregiving and setting goals for self-care. Please contact Dr. Beverly Yahr at 760-200-4410.

Grief & Loss Support Group

We meet monthly on the fourth Thursday at 5 p.m. You are welcome to attend our discussions where feelings and memories are shared in a safe and supportive environment. If you are interested in joining the group, please contact me and I will add your name to the list. If you have questions in the meantime, please contact me, Sherry Joyce, Grief and Loss Facilitator, at 760-834-8495.

Old Time AA Meeting

The AA Big Book Study Group meets from 4 – 5 p.m. on Sundays in the Palm Room, Sunset View Clubhouse, next to the library. Bring your Big Book and join us for fellowship. Any further questions please call Claudia at 760-834-8921.

Stroke Survivors/Caregivers Support Group

Our next meeting will be Monday, June 9, at 1:30 p.m. in the Silverwood room at the Lake View Recreation Center. For question, call Jim Foudy, Stroke Survivor and Chair, at 760-345-8141 or email him at jimrfoudy@gmail.com.

Umbrella Ministries

Helping Sun City bereaved moms who have lost children. Join other moms who come together for encouragement and support after the loss of a child of any age. We assure you a warm welcome and a spirit of understanding and hope. We meet the first Thursday of the month. Information/RSVP Cheryl Miller at 760-324-1525.



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Golf Shop NEWS

BY NANCY CALLAN-HOUTZ
PGA FIRST ASSISTANT

Is June a good time to play golf? Well, let us see! The average morning temperature is between 70–75 degrees Fahrenheit. The midday average temperature hits an average high of 104 degrees. The cost for a resident to play golf is \$51 dollars and if you have any Rate Lock at all, the cost is a whopping \$30 bucks. So yes, I would say June is a great time to play golf. All you need is a Yeti, floppy hat and UPF 50.

Do Canadian geese actually fly back to Canada? Yes, most do. It would take a Canadian goose approximately three weeks to fly from Palm Springs to Canada. That is assuming they fly at a speed of 40–50 mph and the weather is good. The total distance would be roughly 1,500 miles, or as they say in Canada, 2414 km. Another reason June is a good time to play golf...no geese equal no poop on the shoes.

Is the temperature outside the same in the sun as it is in the shade? Yes! Direct sunlight adds a feeling of heat. While the air stays the same, your body absorbs the sun's energy, making you feel hotter. When the temperature is 104 degrees outside, being in the shade will make you feel cooler. The sun's radiation will make you feel 10–15 degrees warmer. So, when golfing in June, find a tree, drink some water, and cool off in the shade between shots.

Does a golf ball fly farther in warmer weather conditions? Of course! Warmer air is less dense than colder air, reducing the drag and allowing the ball to fly further. As temperatures rise, shots go farther, and not just because it is easier for your muscles to get limber. Your golf ball, too, limbers up. Its materials grow more responsive allowing the ball to spring off the club face at a greater speed. You don't need a new driver you just need to golf in June.

In conclusion, if you can avoid the dangers of heatstroke, dehydration and overall physical fatigue, June is a great month to play golf. The rates are inexpensive, there is no goose poop, it feels cooler in the shade, and the ball goes farther.

Hope to see you on the links!

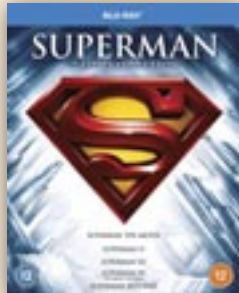


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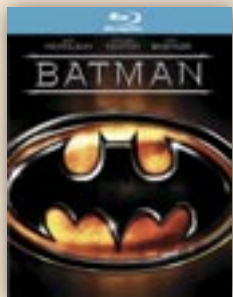
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Wednesday, June 11, 7 pm



Superman
Christopher Reeves,
Gene Hackman, Margot Kidder

Wednesday, June 18, 7 pm



Batman
Michael Keaton,
Jack Nicholson, Kim Basinger

Wednesday, June 25, 7 pm



Wonder Woman
Gal Gadot,
Chris Pine, Danny Huston

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DOORS OPEN 15 MINUTES EARLY
NO FOOD ALLOWED
ONLY BOTTLED WATER

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*From the family of Fran Morehouse,
we would like to thank Sun City karaoke
and the Trim 'N' Tone and Italian Heritage
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*We appreciate your loving kindness
during this difficult time.*

*God Bless,
Nancy Pierce*

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Much Ado About Nothing

BY JOHN ANNARINO

Father's Day is June 15. Whether he's called father, dad, papa, pop, pappy or pa, it's his day to be honored.

The Wimbledon Championships begins June 30 in Wimbledon, England. It's the oldest tennis tournament in the world and widely regarded as the most prestigious. But some wise guy, with no proof at all, calls it a bloody racket.

Rose, the June birth flower, symbolizes love. Pearl, the June birthstone, stands for purity, bringing us peace and balance in life. That's good news because one thing us older folk can use more of is balance.

People born in June are considered social butterflies because they are charismatic, talented and good looking. They're also found to be extremely intelligent. Just my luck to be born in February.

The first day of June is the perfect occasion to visit a local or national park because it marks National Trails Day, National Play Outside Day, National Prairie Day, and National Black Bear Day. You might want to think twice about that Black Bear Day.

Juneteenth is named after June 19, 1865, the day the end of slavery was announced in Texas. Because the date combines June and nineteenth, it's called a portmanteau. I don't understand that word either.

Men's Health Month is observed annually in June. It raises awareness about men's health issues, encourages regular check-ups and promotes healthy life exercises. Does that mean I have to get more exercise than walking to my car?

Some notable people born in June are Marilyn Monroe, Morgan Freeman, Johnny Depp, Paul McCartney, Helen Keller and Elon Musk. It wouldn't be surprising if Elon Musk's four-year-old son, sitting on his dad's shoulders, helps his dad blow out the candles on his birthday cake.

Alcoholics Anonymous marks its 90th anniversary June 10. AA was founded by Dr. Bob Smith and Bill Wilson, a stockbroker. Together, they founded AA as a beacon of hope for those suffering from the disease. I'll drink to that.

John welcomes your comments at jjannarino@icloud.com.



News in Brief

Your Monthly Update from the District and Board Meetings

BY NED CALLAHAN

May 6, 2025

- We are beginning upgrades to our Fitness Centers.
 - Each facility has received five new TechnoGym treadmills.
 - The old treadmills, some with over 20,000 miles on them, were donated to the Riverside County Fire Department.
 - You must have your resident ID or guest card to enter the Fitness Centers. In order to keep outsiders from taking advantage of our facilities the ID must be physically presented when entering.
- Summer RFID hours will be 8:30 – 11 a.m. to avoid summer heat. The front desk will be issuing RFIDs.
- The LEC will use Dean Lining's old office. It will be manned from 8:30 – 11 a.m. and from 1:30 – 3 p.m. It will be closed on Tuesdays.
 - The LEC currently consists of five staff members and 20+ volunteers.
 - The LEC is working on updating the design guidelines to better match modern trends and provide more design flexibility.
- Our security company, Vintage, has been bought by Titanium Security. The HOA has entered into a three-year contract with Titanium. The staff will remain the same.
- The Library will be closed in June for remodeling and will remain closed until the hallway to the entrance has been finished, perhaps by August. Please hold all books or other items until the library reopens.
- The Daily Grind will be closed for remodeling beginning June 9. While the Daily Grind is closed, coffee and pastries will be available at Boulevards in the private dining room near the Billiards room. The rest of Boulevards won't be open until lunch service.
- The Solar Project continues to move along.
 - Trenching in the parking lots has been completed. The batteries and transformers needed for the project have arrived from China.
 - The HOA has received help from our suppliers, contractors and our partner on covering the unexpected costs of tariffs on these items. We could not order the batteries and transformers until we completed the inspections and approvals from IID, and then the county. Once the specific requirements for each clubhouse were approved, we were able to order the items. The order was placed eight months ago.
 - The concrete pads for the batteries will be poured at the Lake View and Sunset View Clubhouses. Underground electrical work will affect the Mountain View parking lot.
- CVWD will begin the next segment of the eight-inch main line in late September.
 - This will affect travel on Ryans Way and Golden Reed in Districts 6 and 7.
 - When completed, as part of an extensive pavement management plan for SCPDCA, the streets will be repaved.
 - Under the plan the rest of Sun City will also begin to receive fresh asphalt because it may be several years before CVWD has funds for the installation of another segment of eight-inch main line.
- We should all review our new Go Access accounts to make certain that all approved visitor information is current. And, if you haven't already transferred to the new app, you should do it now.

To watch a video of the latest HOA Board Meeting, sign in to the SCPDCA website, click on "Community Association Info," click on "Board," then click on "Videos."

2025 Writers of the Year

BY BILL SANDERS

News & Views is proud to present the winners of the 2025 Writer's Circle Annual Writing Contest in the categories of short fiction and poetry.

Carol W. Hazelwood's *The Loss of a Best Friend* delivers a deeply moving exploration of grief, as a family struggles to cope with the tragic loss of their beloved search-and-rescue dog, Brody. Through raw emotion and shared sorrow, Hazelwood paints a touching portrait of love, loss and healing.

Florence Cassen Mayers' *The News This Week* masterfully employs the villanelle—a 19-line poetic form with a strict rhyme scheme and repeated refrains—to capture the relentless and often overwhelming nature of world events. With sharp rhythm and poignant repetition, Mayers crafts a piece that resonates with the emotional exhaustion of staying informed.

We hope you enjoy these outstanding works!

The News This Week

BY FLORENCE CASSEN MAYERS

Did you follow the news this week?
Were you able
to? Did you speak
up? Did you shriek?
Hide under the table?
Did you follow the extraordinarily bleak
news this week?
World's unstable.
Did you speak
out, did you freak
out? Were you able
to follow the news this week?
Take a break.
Set a holiday table.
Did you speak
calmly? Kiss grandbaby's cheek?
These sweet techniques enable
survival. Did you follow the news this week?
Quick. Speak.





The Loss of a Best Friend

BY CAROL W. HAZELWOOD

While Talia finished the dishes in the kitchen, she heard the incessant whack, whack coming from outside. Each thud echoed her own anger and grief. She put aside the dishtowel, grabbed her jacket off its peg in the front hall, and went out to the porch.

Ken sat in the rocking chair holding Katie, their three-year-old daughter, on his lap. Talia put her hand on Ken's shoulder, and he reached up to hold it. He nodded to the far fence where Casey, their six-year-old son, hammered on a wood post. "Brody was more than a dog to all of us." Ken looked up at Talia. "I've tried talking to him, but he's in too much pain to listen."

Talia swallowed hard, knowing no words could change her son's feelings.

"Mommy, why did that woman kill Brody?" Katie asked. "It's not fair."

"No, it's not." Ken's deep voice echoed in the night air. "Sometimes there are no answers."

The whack, whack continued.

Brody had been more than a dog to Talia and her family. He'd been her Search and Rescue companion and an integral part of the family. From Brody's first meeting the babies, he'd become their guardian, their playmate. Although Brody had saved Talia from certain death, the cruelty of the woman's inebriated act had brought agony to the entire family.

Katie's arms curled around her father's neck. "Casey's really, really mad Brody's dead."

Talia gazed at her daughter, feeling the weight of sadness. "Yes, he is." She walked down the porch steps and across the field's damp grass toward her son. She knelt next to Casey and placed her hand on his thin shoulder. "You're angry Brody's dead." She hesitated. "I'm mad, too."

He shrugged off her hand. The whack, whack of the hammer continued.

She remained kneeling by his side, feeling the tension in every sinew of his young body. Momentarily, she closed her eyes, letting the pain of loss encompass her. "I want to scream

and yell and let the world know how wrong it was that Brody's dead." She stood, grabbed hold of the rough wood fence, and in a loud voice let loose a stream of her anger.

The whack, whack of the hammer stopped, and Casey's small voice echoed hers. "I hate that woman. Brody's dead! She killed him. I hate her."

The rage, not only about Brody's death, but about her son's feelings of hate, welled up within her. Although Talia turned her face skyward, her anguish blocked her vision of the stars and the light from the moon. She launched into shouts, venting her frustration, her fury, her gut-wrenching despair. Next to her, Casey's high-pitched screams of misery rang into the night as he held onto a wood slat. Talia placed her hand over his. Without restraint, they released their torrent of grief over Brody's death.

When Talia's throat grew raspy, she slumped to the ground with her back against the fence. Casey crumpled into her lap. They sobbed and whimpered; their tears flowed into a single stream.

Talia pulled a tissue from her jacket pocket and wiped Casey's tears from his cheeks, then had him blow his nose. With another tissue, she did the same for herself.

Casey sniveled and hiccupped. "I'm glad he saved you, but why did he have to die?"

She held him closer. "Do you remember the story of the bear who hugged the boiling pot of water closer because that's how he'd usually get rid of an enemy? Because he couldn't drop it, he got hurt more and more."

Casey nodded.

She held his hand up to her lips and kissed it. "Our anger and hate is our boiling pot of water. Do you understand?"

"We have to let go of our hate." He sighed. "How?"

"Let's replace our anger and hate with memories of the fun and games we had with Brody. How he made us laugh."

Casey smiled. "Like when I'd play tug of war with a towel, and you and I would wrestle with him on the floor."

"Exactly. Think of the love he gave us."

Casey looked into her eyes. "Is he in heaven?"

How should she answer his innocent question? "Heaven would be very lucky to have him."

He clung to her. Or did she cling to him?

"My throat hurts," Casey said.

She smiled softly and ruffled his brown hair. "Mine too. Maybe ice cream would help."

"Okay."

They scrambled to their feet and, hand in hand, they walked back to the house. After they went up the steps and stood on the porch, Talia turned to Ken. "Casey and I are going to have ice cream."

With Katie in his arms, Ken moved next to Talia and kissed her on the forehead. "That's a wonderful idea."

The family entered the house where memories had been made, and future ones would continue.

Turn the Page. Grab Some Shade.

Summer Reads You'll Love from Sun City's Own Authors

BY GERRIE KHAN

As the hot sun blazes in the sky over Palm Desert, and long summer days seem to stretch endlessly before us, there's no better time to escape into a wonderful story written by one of Sun City's renowned resident authors.

Whether you love the heat and stay in the desert for the summer, leave to vacation in a new or favorite place, or decamp for the hottest months to cooler climes, you can always find a quiet time and a cool place to relax and read.

Sun City is fortunate to have a number of published authors who reside in the community. Summer readers will have no problem discovering intriguing topics to pique their interest. It's fun to discover a book you're enjoying just happens to have been written by one of your neighbors.

What do you most enjoy reading? Fiction or non-fiction? Personal memoirs and experiences? Historical fiction? Mysteries? Biographies? Overcoming challenges? Politics and economics? It's all here in this year's selections.

Are you a pet-lover interested in the circumstances that led an animal communicator to pursue this path? Discover what led her into this fascinating field. How about the exciting life of Lew Wallace, the author of *Ben Hur*. From territorial governor of New Mexico to Ambassador to the Ottoman Empire, he led an incredibly exciting life.

Three amazing mysteries, one a historically based multi-generational story, and an exciting tale of Paris in 1944 as the main character searches for her parents, members of the French Resistance on the eve of the Nuremberg trials.

Understanding the Matrix Economy, a political crime novel, a fascinating personal memoir of a cook and caterer including recipes, and a coming-of-age journey are all appealing topics to the reader. And be sure to visit all the authors' websites for other books they have published.

So find a cool spot, grab a cold drink, and have a happy and well-read summer.



LIFETIMES TOGETHER

An Animal Communicator's Journey Finding Her Three Puppy Angels Again and Again and Again

BY SUSIE BASANDA

Every time Susie touched her pup, Trudy, on her face, Trudy would recoil. In frustration one day Susie blurted out, "Why won't you let me touch your face?" She was amazed at what happened next: She heard an answer. And what a response. "He kicked me in the face and killed me!" That was the beginning of many adventures Susie would have as an animal communicator. What happens to a pet after it dies? Join Susie as she was led to reunite with her beloved companions. Then you decide.

Paperback: BAC-Light Publishing (May 14, 2021) · 277 pages



GROWING UP CAN BE COMPLICATED

So Can Growing Old!

BY JEFF CALLAWAY

Growing Up Can Be Complicated ...recounts the story of a nomadic kid's life, and how he quickly learns to adapt to adult circumstances. Over time...he will find that life and living is unquestionably ...overwhelmingly challenging, perplexingly confusing, impossibly complex, breathtakingly exhilarating, and remarkably rewarding; he is now able to agree...it is an amazing journey.

Available at Amazon.com.

Hardcover Large Print: Independently Published (August 23, 2024) · 249 pages



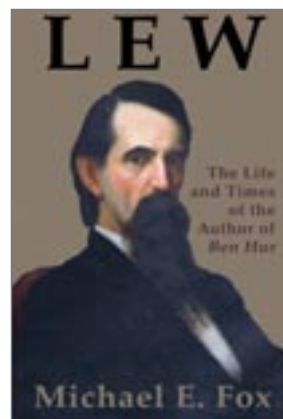
LEW

The Life And Times Of The Author Of Ben Hur

BY MICHAEL E. FOX

LEW is a biography of one of America's little known though highly successful writers, Lew Wallace, author of *Ben Hur*. Lew was a Mexican American and Civil War veteran, becoming the youngest Major General in the Union Army. He was lauded for saving Cincinnati, OH and Washington D.C. from Confederate invasion. He had personal friendships with many presidents, including Abraham Lincoln. An accomplished lawyer, Lew became territorial governor of New Mexico and primary architect for eliminating a bloody Apache uprising, and the scourge of Billy the Kid and the Lincoln County War. He was then named Ambassador to the Ottoman Empire.

Paperback: Sunbury Press, Inc. (February 25, 2024) · 226 pages

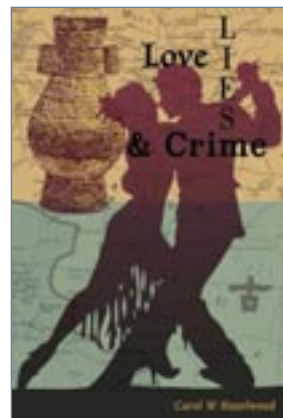


LOVE, LIES, AND CRIME

BY CAROL HAZELWOOD

Erin Hahn, a talented musician and lawyer, falls in love with Paul, a highly-regarded antiquities dealer. Lin Zhao, a seductive Chinese spy, promotes a fake archeological site and its relics. After Paul refuses to abet Zhao's scheme, he's imprisoned in Shanghai. When Paul's business associates are murdered, Erin becomes a suspect, and her job is in jeopardy. Believing Zhao is guilty of the murders, Erin needs to obtain Zhao's confession. With support from Paul's parents, Erin pleads before government intelligence agencies to accept her plan to force China to free Paul. If she loses her argument, Paul will die.

Paperback: Aventine Press (August 26, 2024) · 244 pages

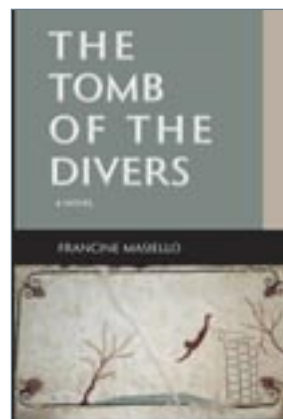


THE TOMB OF THE DIVERS

BY FRANCINE MASIELLO

The Tomb of the Divers weaves an immigrant yarn about small-time artists and crooks who, over the course of a century, wend their way from the Italian South to the anarchist enclaves of New Jersey and from fascist Italy during World War II to Buenos Aires after its "dirty war" of the 1980s. Their multigenerational story upends our illusions of happy family ties as it braids the threads of history and fiction and puts in doubt our notions of "truth."

Paperback: Bordighera Press (October 15, 2024) · 312 pages





ECONOMIC SECRETS & SURPRISES

The Matrix Economy

BY DARRYL MITRY, PH.D.

In this small volume, a scholar with five decades of experience in international business, and economic research takes you on an intriguing journey where you will encounter surprising results, and *you* will be able to determine the real solutions. You will be better able to make correct lifelong decisions instead of false conclusions drawn from incorrect interpretation of theory. Readers do not need to have any prior schooling in the subject matter because with this book you will be able to understand the issues, questions, and answers presented in this book.

Paperback: CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform (November 29, 2017) · 236 pages



THE ART OF CHICANERY

BY JIM PROCK

Gun control and a suspicion of political corruption dominate the riveting story of deceit involving a hidden alliance. A problematic proposal to change the gun laws of Idaho has the president of the United States in a quandary. He finds it hard to believe their governor would support such an idea. *Unless, of course, he's on the take! If that were true, he wouldn't be the first politician with sticky fingers.* Elections are just days away, so the president turns to an ingenious investigative reporter to get some answers. So, is chicanery involved...or not?

Paperback: Independently Published (January 26, 2019) · 294 pages



MAY I HAVE SECONDS PLEASE?

Personal Memoir and Cookbook Celebrating the Art of the Pivot

BY NORMA Y. SAKEN

Norma Y. Saken offers one person's perspective on how to move with as much grace and dignity when life circumstances indicate a change needs to happen. While not classically trained, hospitality and food service reappeared in different ways: Catering X Three, owning a bed and breakfast, cooking in a hospital, and finally preparing home cooked meals for her favorite CEO. She shares interesting stories and insights, along with delicious and easy to follow recipes.

Available at <https://www.flintridgebooks.com/presales-local-authors>.

Paperback: Flintridge Bookstore Publishing (November 2024) · 130 pages



CLOUD MAKERS

BY HAZEL WARLAUMONT

Paris, 1944: Catapulted into the intrigue of Nazi escape routes in war-torn Paris, Lily Duchamp is just making sense of her world when her parents disappear while on a mission with the French Resistance. Taken to a convent, she never imagined her experience there would be more dangerous than the war raging around her. But as she continues to search for her parents, she discovers Paris as it awakens from the war: narrow alleys, courtyards draped with torn Nazi flags, and empty sidewalk cafes where she meets a young American attorney in Paris preparing for the inevitable Nuremberg trials.

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I CAUGHT A LEPRECHAUN...NOW WHAT?

BY ANDREW PORTER

"I caught a leprechaun...now what?" Dangling upside down from my fingers, squirming like a fish on a hook. His tiny green coat was dirt-streaked, his red beard bristling with irritation.

"Well, don't just stand there gawkin', lad!" he huffed. "What do ye want?"

"Gold?"

He groaned. "Gold! Always the gold! Ye humans are as predictable as April rain!"

I tightened my grip. "Rules are rules. You owe me a pot of it."

"Aye, aye," he sighed. "But would ye not rather a wish instead?" A wish. That could be better than gold.

"Anything I want?"

"Aye," he said, lips curling into a sly smile. "But be wise. Wishes have a way of turnin' tricky."

I thought hard. The world felt fresh, alive. Riches meant nothing, but I knew what I wanted.

"I wish for an endless spring," I said. "Warm days, cool nights, flowers always blooming. No harsh winters, no scorching summers. Just spring—forever!"

The leprechaun's face paled. "Oh, lad, ye don't know what ye ask!" But it was too late. A golden shimmer burst from his fingertips. The air smelled of honey and fresh grass, the trees rustled as if whispering secrets, and the world hummed with magic.

"Your wish is granted," the leprechaun said gravely.

I let him go, and he vanished in a swirl of clover-scented wind.

At first, everything was perfect. Flowers never wilted, birds never stopped singing, and the sky remained a soft, endless blue. People rejoiced—no more snow shovels, no summer heat. Just perfect spring.

Then, things changed.

The days blurred together, the endless sunshine growing... stale. Without winter's rest, trees stopped growing. The bees,

confused, buzzed aimlessly. Rivers, never replenished by melting snow, shrank.

Worst of all, people lost excitement. No autumn harvests, no winter holidays, no summer adventures. The joy of change was gone.

I had ruined the seasons.

Desperate, I called for the leprechaun, begging him to return. Days passed—maybe weeks, it was impossible to tell—but finally, one evening, he appeared, lounging on a rock with a smirk.

"Ah, lad," he said. "How's that perfect spring treatin' ye?"

"Take it back!" I pleaded. "I was wrong. We need the seasons."

He chuckled, stroking his beard. "Magic's a fickle thing, boy. Can't simply undo a wish. It must be balanced with another."

I swallowed hard. "What do I have to do?"

He grinned. "Easy. Give me somethin' in return. A bit of ye, let's say."

My heart pounded. "Like what?"

"Oh, just a wee thing." His emerald eyes twinkled. "Your ability to ever find a leprechaun again."

I hesitated. Could I catch him again?

But looking at the stagnant world around me, I knew my answer. "Deal."

With a snap of his fingers, a cool wind blew in. Leaves rustled, their green fading to amber. The scent of blooming flowers shifted to crisp autumn air. The world moved again.

I sighed with relief.

The leprechaun tipped his hat. "Pleasure doin' business, lad. Sometimes, the best things in life are the ones that don't last forever."

And with that, he was gone.

I never saw a leprechaun again. But as the seasons changed, I smiled—because now, I knew just how precious they were.

Andrew Porter



I CAUGHT A LEPRECHAUN...NOW WHAT?

BY LYNN BURT

I caught a leprechaun...now what?

Because of the rich folklore of my Irish heritage, I knew not to take my eyes off of him for even an instant or he would disappear.

This phenomenon occurred on my morning walk near our Palm Desert home. The air was fresh from an earlier rain as I walked along the familiar desert trail. Suddenly, I was jolted out of my meditative mood by the most spectacular rainbow spilling over the hillside ahead. It seemed to touch down on the rocky terrain a short distance from my path. Curious to see where this magnificent arc ended, I continued on. As I drew closer, my breath suddenly caught in my throat, and I stared utterly speechless.

I was face to face with a small, red-bearded, impish man. He was dressed dapperly in a green suit, buckled shoes, and wore a tall green top hat. I was looking at a leprechaun and he was closely guarding a pot of gold! Totally unnerved by the encounter, my eyes held fast to his.

"Top o' the mornin' to ya," he said, though none too cheerfully.

Mustering courage, I spoke, "Good morning to you. What's your name?"

"Clover McGuinness," he replied, his demeanor unchanged. "How did you get here?"

With our eyes locked, he answered, "That's for me own self to know." Then, smiling slyly, he asked, "What do ya think of me pot o' gold?"

Knowing that leprechauns are tricksters, without diverting my eyes, I responded, "It's absolutely stunning, magical."

According to Irish folklore, if you catch a leprechaun, you can typically bargain for their freedom in exchange for their

gold. Feeling bolder, I asked, "Would you trade your pot of gold for your freedom?" He hesitated, nodded, and I noticed a tear starting to well in his eye.

Another bit of folklore came to mind. "Or, would you grant me three wishes in exchange for your freedom?" Again, he nodded, looking a bit more dejected.

A feeling of compassion for this little creature seemed to sweep over me. Maybe because he was so far removed from his homeland.

"Will you ever be able to return to Ireland?" I asked.

"I may be forever stuck in this hot, dry, landscape of sand and crumbling rocks," he replied, "but I will make the most of it." His optimism wasn't convincing.

My next words tumbled from my lips before I could stop them. "I have decided to choose the three wishes, but I simply need only one. Clover McGuinness, my wish is for you. I wish that you and your pot of gold be safely transported back to the lush green fields of Ireland."

His dispirited countenance gave way to sheer delight. The tear in his eye swelled and slipped down his cheek. "Well met," he exclaimed dancing a quick jig. "Wish granted, my friend, and that is a great one." Then, his wizened face softened, and he sang out, "May your troubles be less and your blessings be more, and nothing but happiness come through your door." And, with that, Clover McGuinness and his pot of gold disappeared.

I stood there for a moment, looking down at the sandy soil where he had stood, unable to grasp what had just happened. Was I hallucinating? Did I really pass up a chance for riches? Bewildered, I turned toward home, wondering if I should share my story, or...maybe, that's for me own self to know.





I CAUGHT A LEPRECHAUN...NOW WHAT?



The Leprechaun & His Pot of Gold

BY RAYMOND T. BARTUS

I caught a leprechaun...now what? It's not like I conceived a plan...other than to catch the nosy twerp! Afterall, I've been watching him sneak around my backyard for weeks. Walking quickly, but aimlessly—occasionally interrupting his gait with sudden, hesitating pauses. Perhaps he's searching for something, but not sure what...or where.

Without much else occupying my solitary time...or to pass the loneliness, he caught my attention. I began watching him, carefully studying his routine, gaining information to end this nonsense.

Armed with an understanding of his 'routine', I built a crate to trap him. I placed it behind my garage, along the path he so often travels. There it sat for days, unmolested...until today.

Today, I caught him! ...but now what?

Surprisingly, I've invested little thought beyond this moment. Catching the scoundrel is all I've been thinking about for many frustrating weeks. The possibility of some 'pot of gold' at the end of a metaphorical rainbow did occur to me as ample reward for my efforts. But I soon realized that this leprechaun, with unkept appearance and ragged clothes, has no gold, and I certainly see no rainbows.

Nonetheless, I did catch finally him!

Peering into the box, I catch a glimpse of him moving slowly between dark shadows. I speak to him, but he remains silent. A beam of light briefly exposes his face, revealing closed lips. I talk louder, and still nothing from him, except an intense stare.

Our mutual staring continues awkwardly for quite some time, until I begin to realize his thoughts are somehow creeping into my consciousness. I do not 'hear' them, but with concentration, I become aware of them. Yes! I can understand what he is saying, without him speaking! As crazy as this sounds, it's clear that he's also able to read my thoughts and

responds in kind. We are communicating...telepathically!

He explains, "Like other leprechauns before me, I got pulled into an alternative dimension, or as astrophysicists describe it, within folds of the spacetime continuum. Transport within the spacetime continuum has been happening since...well, since time began."

I ask what he has been searching for. He responds, "Well, I've been searching for the means to get back...searching for you!"

I respond, "Why me? I'm truly unremarkable. Few even remember me or anything I've done in my long life."

"Well, I'm certain you are special—in fact, likely the reason I'm here. Folds in the spacetime continuum seem to occur when two individual streams of consciousness suddenly become intimately synched. Occasionally, one of the two individuals will be displaced into the other's domain. I have spent weeks searching for that fold, or someone who can help me return to my domain.

"How can I possibly help?" I ask sarcastically.

He replies, "Well, it seems the fold has narrowed too much to pass through. The only way to be transported is to open it wider. We must try to synch our thoughts again, this time intentionally. Very few humans have the innate talent to do this; that's what makes you so special!"

So, I agree to help the leprechaun. We worked for hours trying to synch our thoughts. Then suddenly, my leprechaun vanishes. Into nothing. Just as he described it'll happen.

Suddenly, I feel content; happy for him—proud of myself. The gratitude he conveyed as we telepathically collaborated, fulfills me in ways I never thought possible. Everything seems much brighter...warmer...the world more inter-connected. Today is a day I will never forget, for today I caught a leprechaun. And, somehow, it changed my life, forever.



I CAUGHT A LEPRECHAUN...NOW WHAT?

BY MARC FREDERIC

I caught a leprechaun...now what? At first, I had no clue. It was a rare experience I now will share with you.

It isn't every day, you know, a leprechaun is snatched. They do not simply laze around in eggs until they're hatched. At times they fly; sometimes they jump; at others, just appear. In short, we think their wily ways un-u-su-al-ly queer. They're found in dreamy places. At least that's what I've heard. This one was in my bedroom, which sounds somewhat absurd.

I didn't really catch him. I just held out my hand. He buzzed around the room a bit, then on it he did land. So thrilled I was he came to me. He crossed his legs and sat. We then proceeded naturally to have a little chat. He said he hails from Ireland, a land so green and lush, but now resides in WhimsyVille. There fell a solemn hush.

I asked him to describe this place, to please tell me about it. He launched into a tale of grace so clear I couldn't doubt it. He painted with his tiny voice bluebirds and balloons, rainbows, falls and satin dolls; then sang some snappy tunes. I truly was enchanted. I felt, saw, heard and tasted. I took in each and every word. Not one he spoke was wasted. He told of riding unicorns, of lounging on a cloud, of tumbling in a babbling brook, its bubbling, oh, so loud.

I then asked him to share with me by making up a story. He coined a clever one with flair, of colors, sighs and glory. It rambled over mountains pink. It surged through purple valleys.

It floated in a baker's shop and circled through dark alleys. And then he quoted nursery rhymes and tender, loving verse, and dabbled in some ribald thoughts, both naughty and much worse.

"But what of WhimsyVille?" I asked. "Tell more 'bout where you live."

A most intriguing fantasy he did commence to give. What he described was comfortable. It seemed familiar too. His realm of cozy opulence I slowly did review. Still more and more I did explore, till I did recognize and understand it to the core—a truly grand surprise!

His tales are great. They're all first-rate. They have no limitation. But now I know that they do flow from my imagination. Oh, boy, Oh, boy! What wild, weird joy! How fun this trip has been.

The leprechaun's a figment-toy, which I house deep within. Yes, you, Sir Elf, are just myself in a wondrous, magical way. And I can catch you when I wish, to come outside and play.

Thank you to all the talented writers who submitted their wonderful stories to our 2025 Spring Short Story Contest.
~ News & Views Committee





Sylvia (in the white robe) and some of her daily swim group waiting to enter the MVCH gym at 6 a.m.

Sylvia Lipton: Ready at Six a.m.

BY MARSHA REED NALL

I know lots of people who exercise at eight and nine in the morning. I've heard there are some who start as early as seven.

And then Sylvia, whom I've known for ten years, told me about a month ago that she waits at the door of the Mountain View Clubhouse every morning at six because that's when the doors are opened. She does this Monday through Saturday and is there at eight on Sunday when the doors open.

Sylvia does this so she can do her own water aerobics program. She's been doing this in Sun City for the last twenty-five years when she moved here. (She's been doing water aerobics for fifty-four years.) After her shower, she goes home and gets on her Chi machine for thirty minutes. The Chi wobbles you back and forth, moving your entire body as a passive exercise machine. During Covid when the pool was closed, Sylvia was still able to use the Chi machine. After the Chi machine, Sylvia does leg exercises in bed.

Sylvia has had underdeveloped hamstrings all her life. She is diabetic, and in 2013 she had major open-heart surgery. She is proud that at the age of 91 she can still get down on the floor and play with her great grandson. She says her life span is already longer than anyone in her immediate family, and she is the same height she was in high school. She hasn't shrunk.

Sylvia is computer savvy, emailing and checking her accounts online, although she downplays this ability because she still uses a flip phone. She's a chocoholic and says she can eat a pound of See's in three days. She also makes her own fudge and Rocky Road. Twice a week Sylvia goes out to dinner in the neighborhood with a friend. She plays

mahjong once a week and has been playing for seventy-five years. She still plays with a set she got in 1952.

Sylvia spends holidays and birthdays in Orange County with her family who call her Grammy. She drives with her sixteen-year-old great granddaughter, goes to the stables to see another great granddaughter ride and jump, bakes and cooks and shares recipes with her granddaughter, and discusses politics with her grandson. Her husband Elliot passed in 2016. She has four children, eight grandchildren and three great grandchildren. She is close to her family, all of whom love stories from her past. Sylvia also has plenty of momisms and grammy-isms such as, "Always learn from mistakes and keep your eyes open and ears alert."

Sylvia is one of the most positive people I've met. She says she has removed any negative people from her life, "They are people I once knew." She has a beautiful smile and looks fabulous in her white terry robe waiting to get in the clubhouse door so she can get back in the water.

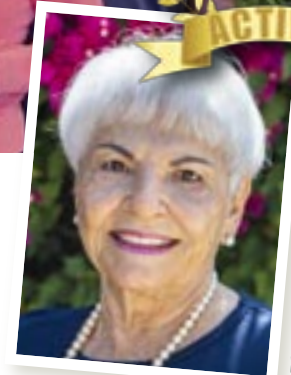


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Share your travel treasures!

The *News & Views* Committee invites residents to send us a photo of an unusual art piece you have collected from your world travels, (*limit one piece per household, please*) for a feature in the October issue of *News & Views*.

Please include a brief description of the piece, including size, where it was acquired, etc., with your photo and email to newsandviews@scpdca.com no later than **July 31**.

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Did You Know...

BY DELYN MEYERS

Let's talk about something that makes cents. Coins. Specifically, U.S. coins. Currently, there are six U.S. coins in circulation, but at one time there was a 3-cent coin.

Trime – A trime is a 3-cent silver piece. In 1851, Congress lowered the cost of mailing a letter from 5 cents to 3 cents to compete with private mail carriers and simultaneously authorized the creation of the 3-cent trime to simplify postage transactions.

The Gold Rush – The California gold rush, which peaked in 1849, flooded the U.S. with gold, decreasing its value relative to silver. Coins such as the dime, quarter, and dollar were 90% silver and worth more than their face value. People started hoarding, melting down, and selling the silver coins. The trime, however, was 75% silver and 25% copper, making it worth more in your pocket.

Tiny Trime – One of the smallest American coins minted at just 14 millimeters in diameter, the trime's obverse featured a six-pointed star with a shield, surrounded by the words "United States of America" and the year it was made. The reverse showed the Roman numeral "III" inside a decorative "C," with 13 stars representing the 13 original colonies.

The Demise of the Trime – At first it did its job and made buying stamps easier and it circulated widely. But the coin was so small it got lost, and tarnished easily, earning the nickname "fish scales." It was replaced by the nickel following the Civil War coin shortage. The trime was finally discontinued with the Coinage Act of 1873.

Current Value – Let us just say that it is WAY over 3-cents. For all you numismatists out there, if you have a proof trime there are several zeros involved.

Coins Minted Today – \$1 coin, 50-cent piece, quarter, dime, nickel, and the penny (*which now costs 3.7 cents each to mint*).





So Stinkin' Cute

BY VEE NOVAK

Hershey Kiss

At her home on the lake in Michigan, Hershey loves boating and watching the Autumn leaves fall. Curious like a child, she pounces on those leaves and chews on them with delight.

A five-year-old Cocker Spaniel, Hershey was adopted by Gwen and Dave Downard from a rehoming organization in Michigan. Because her markings resemble the varying shades of chocolate, the Downards named her Hershey.

Having just lost their beloved 14-year-old pet, Tassy, Gwen and Dave were not ready for another dog. However, when a friend sent them the Facebook posting for Hershey, they instantly fell in love and drove three hours "just to see her." Because to meet Hershey is to love her more, Gwen and Dave drove home with her right after the meeting.

Hershey has been with the Downards for approximately six challenging but joyful months. She was not potty trained when the Downards acquired her. Gwen and Dave found creative ways of potty-training a five-year-old dog and their efforts have paid off. Raised by a breeder, then later surrendered to a rehoming organization, Hershey grew up caged. Although she has had six litters, Hershey has zero experience on being a puppy. To this day, she does not know how to play with toys. She also does not bark; she howls instead.

Here in Sun City, Hershey is a rock star at the Falsetto Dog Park. Her unique markings and sweet demeanor make her irresistible. Many offer to babysit or adopt her. Gwen chuckled, "One gentleman handed Hershey his business card and asked her to call him when she gets tired of us."

"She is the best dog we've ever had, and we've had many in our 48 years of marriage," added Gwen.

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SCAM ALERT

BY JOY PORRELLO

PayPal Invoice Scams

Reports of PayPal invoice scams are on the rise. Typical phishing scams work like this: you receive an email from PayPal with an invoice for a high value purchase such as cryptocurrency or anti-virus software that you never made. You are urged to call the customer service number on the invoice to dispute the transaction and warned that your account may have been compromised. This is a phishing attempt to compromise your account and steal funds. Do not respond to the email in any way. Only call established phone numbers from the PayPal website.



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Are you new to Sun City?

News & Views wants to welcome YOU by including your name and a brief bio in our bi-monthly feature called "Welcome to Sun City"

designed to introduce YOU to our community.

After the **September 16** NRO, please stop by and see our writers outside the Ventana room @ **11:00 a.m.**

They will interview you for an upcoming feature.

You may also email newsandviews@scpdca.com with a request to be interviewed and one of our writers will be in contact.



What's Cooking?

BY LUIGI LEONARDI

Growing up in Rome, our basic eating concept was to follow the ingredients' seasonal change. Our favorite summer dish was a "Frittata" with freshly picked broccoli or zucchini. Here are a few simple ingredients and a few equally simple steps to cook a perfect round frittata...

Zucchini Frittata

(Serves Four)

Ingredients

- 5 large eggs + ½ cup of egg whites
- 5 small/medium zucchini (about 2 lbs.)
- 1 small/medium shallot
- 2 tbs Extra Virgin Olive Oil (EVOO)
- Salt & Pepper to taste

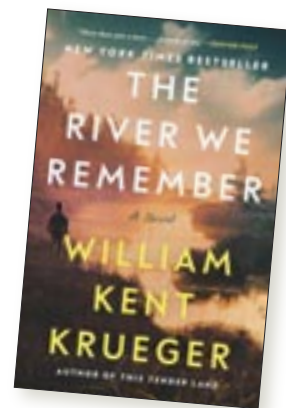
Directions

Wash and pat dry the zucchini. Cut off the ends and cut the zucchini in half lengthwise, then cut into ½" slices. Peel the shallot and thinly slice. Pour EVOO in a large nonstick pan and add the shallot over a gentle flame to soften it. Add the zucchini and raise the flame to medium/high. Keep stirring (flipping) for five minutes until they have a golden tone. Lower the flame and cover. Keep stirring and flipping for another 10–15 minutes. Break the eggs in a bowl, add the egg whites and whip them. Add salt and pepper. Test the zucchini for your favorite cooking point, add salt and pepper and pour the eggs into the pan. Raise the flame to medium/high and monitor the pan constantly. Slide the frittata onto a plate and then flip it back in the pan to cook the top side. Just a few more minutes and you will need to flip it again. When ready, slide it onto a serving plate and slice it the way you would cut a pizza!

Enjoy it with a bowl of salad, dressed with balsamic vinaigrette and a glass of white wine. Buon Appetito!

The Bookshelf

BY MARSHA REED NALL



The River We Remember

BY WILLIAM KENT KRUEGER

Krueger's latest is both a mystery and historical fiction, written in a literary style of good language and well-defined characters, ones who are neither completely good nor completely bad.

Sheriff Brody Dern, the main character, is having an affair with his brother's wife.

There is a wonderful character who runs the town's restaurant. When her husband was killed in the war, she had moved to his hometown to live with her mother-in-law and raise their son. But she keeps a diary where she wrote of her former life.

The story is set in southwestern Minnesota in 1958 in the fictional town of Jewel with 4,000 residents in Black Earth County. Children play with hula hoops. People are reading *Peyton Place*. One character drives an Edsel.

On Memorial Day (Decoration Day) the almost nude body of Jimmy Quinn is found on the shore of the Alabaster River, chewed up by channel catfish. He'd been shot before he either fell or was dumped into the river. Quinn was the wealthiest man in the county, disliked by all and hated by some. There is a long list of suspects. Sheriff Dern wants the death to be called a suicide. He is certain whoever killed Quinn did so in self-defense. However, one of his deputies insists on investigating.

Many people in Jewel still hold hatred against the Japanese and Germans, and there is a long-standing prejudice against Native Americans. Noah Bluestone, a Native American, seems the most likely suspect to many. Although Noah grew up in Jewel and served in the war, he brought home a Japanese wife named Kayoko. Noah is a good target.

Even Sheriff Dern, who likes Kayoko, is angered when she bows to him, remembering the Japanese who betrayed him during the war. Krueger makes the damage of war clear in his writing. Sheriff Dern, who was a prisoner of war in Japan, says, "There were many ways of being wounded."

The novel is a collection of all the characters' stories. It is not just about remembering the past but coping with the present.



Pass the Popcorn

BY RONNIE MARSHALL



The Accountant 2

Starring Ben Affleck, Jon Bernthal

A fun and intense thrill ride, a sequel to the original 2016 film. Christian Wolf (Ben) is an extremely high-functioning mathematical genius on the autism spectrum. His home is an airstream trailer. He is sought out by the Deputy Director of the Financial Crimes Enforcement Center, to locate a missing Salvadorean couple and their autistic son who are believed to be in grave danger. Ben asks his estranged brother Braxton (Jon) for help. Their relationship is an uneasy one. Due to Ben's rigid adherence to his autism-centric behavior patterns, and Jon's life as an assassin, they find it difficult to connect. This mission brings them together as they figure out what is behind the family's disappearance. The brothers' somewhat awkward interactions, between Ben's stoic and Jon's free spirit personalities, makes for a witty and fun subplot that eases the tensions of the continuous danger they face in pursuing the family they believe are targets of international criminals. There are surprises along the way (especially who the wife has become). The finale is a full-blown shoot-em-up with serious weaponry and explosions where we're reminded Ben is just as highly trained in guns and explosives as his brother. The movie ends on a hopeful note as the brothers talk about going camping together. There are already rumors about a third film for the Wolf brothers. I would happily look forward to it.

Drop

Starring Meghann Fahy, Brandon Sklenar

Another clever and stylish thriller. Violet (Meghann), a pretty young widow with a five-year old son, goes on a first date with Henry (Brandon), an attractive fellow from a dating site. Violet's sister is babysitting her boy. They meet at a gorgeous sky-high restaurant, with spectacular nighttime views of Chicago. Their evening together begins with some small talk when Violet starts receiving phone messages via "DigiDrop" from an unknown person threatening to kill her son if she doesn't kill her date. Violet is terrified for her son and sister and knows really nothing about her date. But she's smart and capable, and after some terrifying moments, figures out what's going on and saves her son, her sister *and* her date. Ends on a sweet, hopeful romantic note. Suspend belief on this one, and you'll enjoy it immensely.

Poetry Contest



CALL FOR ENTRIES!

News & Views announces the 2025 Fall Poetry Contest

Contest Rules:

- **Write from the perspective of a tree losing its leaves**
- **Maximum length: 14 lines**
- **Limit one original entry** (no previously published poems)
- **Email entries to: newsandviews@scpdca.com**
- **Deadline for entries: August 12, 2025**

The winning entry will appear in the October *News & Views*.
The winner will receive a \$50 Sun City gift card.

The *News & Views* Committee will select the winning poem.
(Committee members are prohibited from entering this contest.)

Sudoku

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Complete the grid so that every digit from 1–9 appears only once in every row, column and 3x3 box. *Solution is on page 61.*

Out and About



George Normandin and wife Barbara at the Galleri Classic where George was a player shuttle driver for the third year in a row



Sharing our 90th birthday celebration of my Artist husband Malcolm Doran. Shown here with some of his artwork. He is young at HEART and continues to paint every day



Denise Green, Lori Greenman & Janie Pierce at a McCallum fund raiser to Save the Siberian Tigers



Marty Quinn's Irish band plays at local softball/neighborhood St. Patty's party

Send in photos for:
Out & About, Scenes from Sun
City & Vacation in a (large file,
not reduced for email) to
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Resident Group
World of Women
Valentine luncheon



Five friends visiting Marilyn Monroe at the Palm Springs Museum.
From left: Luigi Leonardi, Richard Fineo, Mike Emhoff, Chuck Rosenbloom and Lew Rader



VACATION TRAVEL



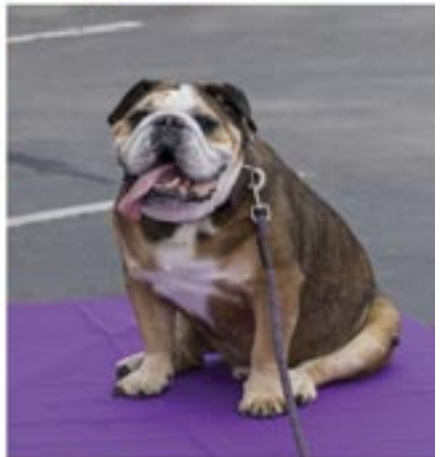
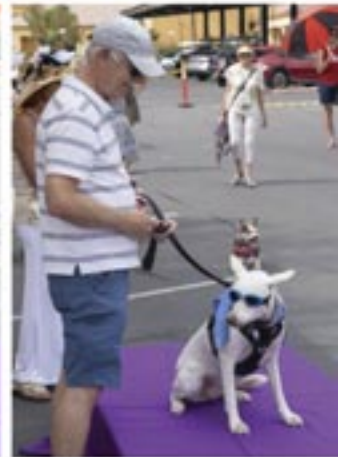
Bob Horne & Diane Spiegel exploring cave dwellings in the ancient Italian city of Matera



Leslie Foumberg and extended family in Guanacaste, Costa Rica



Debbi LoCicero and Cherryl Chandler enjoyed an evening of traditional music, dancing and games in Zagreb, Croatia



The Pet Lovers Club partnered with Support 4 Paws for their Pet Parade and Free Vaccination / Microchip Clinic

Photos by Bob Meinhard



It's Your Time Now!

*SCPD Chartered Clubs, Resident Groups, Support Groups and Classes**

(listed by type of activity)

ARTS AND CRAFTS

Art Club
BZBs Club (Needlecrafts)
Ceramics Club
Creative Arts Club
Glass Arts Club
Homecrafters Club
Jewelry Club
Photography Club
Quilters Club
Stitch & Sew Club
Writer's Circle Club

CARD AND BOARD GAMES

Canasta Club
Card & Game Club
Duplicate Bridge Club
Mah Jongg Club
RummyQ Club
Social Bridge Club

CHARITABLE GIVING

BZBs Club
Neighbors 4 Neighbors Group
Quilters Club
Stitch & Sew Club
World of Women Club

COMPUTER INSTRUCTION

Let's Compute Technology Club

DANCING

Ballet Classes
Hula Classes
Line Dance Club
Love to Dance Club

FITNESS

Aerobics / Step Aerobics Classes
Aquasize Classes
Arthritis Aquatics Classes

Getting Up Off the Floor Classes
Hiking Club
Meditation Club
Ping Pong
Self Defense Classes
Tai Chi Classes
Trim 'N' Tone Club
Water Volleyball
Yoga & Pilates Club

GASTRONOMY

Food & Wine Connoisseurs Club
Wine Tasters Club

REGIONAL / ETHNIC GROUPS

Canadian Club & Friends
Italian Heritage Club

GOLF

Couples Putters Club
Ladies Niners Club
Lady Putters Club
Men's Niners Club
Menz Putterz Club
Mountain Vista Couples Golf Club
Mountain Vista Ladies Golf Club
Mountain Vista Men's Golf Club

HOBBIES

Astronomy Club
Car Club
Genealogy Club
Home & Garden Club
Pet Lovers Club
Photography Club
RV Club
Yacht Club (radio-controlled models)

MUSIC / PERFORMING ARTS

Music Buffs Club
Performing Arts Club
SongShine Group

Sun City Singers Club
Ukulele Club

POLITICS / CURRENT EVENTS

Democrats in Sun City Group
Financial Club
Forum Club (discussion group)
SCPD Republicans Group

RELIGION

Chabad in Sun City
Friendship Church
Hadassah
Sun City Jewish Services

SOCIALIZING

(All our clubs!)
Boomers & Friends Club
Brandeis Desert Chapter Group
Rainbow Circle Club
Solos Club
World of Women Club

SPORTS

Billiards Club
Bocce Club
Cyclists Club
Fun City Bowlers Club
Pickleball Club
Softball Club
Tennis Club

SUPPORT GROUPS

AA Meeting Group
Alzheimer's Support Group
Grief & Loss Support Group
Stroke Survivors Group
Umbrella Ministries

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The events listed in article headings are updated by the Events Office based on room reservations.

Please call 200-2210 with any changes or corrections.

Notice for Contributors

Chartered Club articles are **due no later than the first of each month**. Publication of articles received after that time is NOT guaranteed.

If your club article exceeds the **200-word** limit, *News & Views* staff may edit for length, clarity and grammar.

To guarantee the information you deem most important in your article appears, please send articles that adhere to the word limit.

Articles should be sent directly to the Editor at newsandviews@scpdca.com.

Notice for Readers

Club and Resident Group articles are directed to the members of the particular club or group addressed and should not be construed as either fact or as an editorial opinion piece.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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MV – MOUNTAIN VIEW CLUBHOUSE
SV – SUNSET VIEW CLUBHOUSE

Chartered Clubs Events & News

SCPDCA Residents having a valid SCPDCA Membership Card or valid Renter's Card are eligible to join any Club. Before joining a Club, Residents/Renters are encouraged to visit Clubs a limited number of times. Once Club hospitality has been enjoyed, and Club operations and programs have been explained and understood, Clubs may require membership for continued participation.

Art

Oils, Acrylics, Drawing, Mixed Media & Watercolor • art.scpdcaclubs.com
Chris Acosta • 760-200-9469

by Kris Knutzen

Summer is upon us and classes are winding down. Unlike most clubs in Sun City, our activities and events, though pared down, run year-round.

Summer schedule:

- Art Appreciation: Sunday 1 – 2:30 p.m. (June only)
- Acrylic Painting – all levels: Wednesday 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. (June only)
- Mixed Media: Wednesday 1 – 4 p.m.
- Basic Drawing: Thursday 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
- Int/Adv Drawing: Friday 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Painters may continue painting independently in the studio during non-class times throughout the summer.

The March Arts and Crafts Holiday Sale was very successful and highlighted many talented artists. People's Choice Awards were given to Joyce Kingman, First Place; Mariana Maldonado-Pagan, Second Place; and Judi Peterson, Third Place.

Membership forms for the 2025–2026 (July – June) season are available in the art room and online. Dues are \$30 a year and enable you to take any daily class that is offered in the studio at no additional cost. Please submit form with a check for your dues to the locked wooden box in the art room.

The June 7 Wine and Cheese Reception will be held in the studio from 5 – 6:30 p.m. Please bring an appetizer, and friends are welcome. We supply the wine!

Astronomy

Star Gazing • astronomy.scpdcaclubs.com

by Stu Sitzman

Planets:

- *Mercury*: Highest altitude at sunset June 28.
- *Venus*: Greatest elongation west June 1, best time to observe the “morning” star.
- *Mars*: Mars an evening planet, visible after sunset.
- *Jupiter*: Not visible anywhere on Earth; solar conjunction, placing it behind the Sun.
- *Saturn*: Appears in the morning sky before sunrise.

International Space Station Passes: No evening passes in June.

June Highlights:

- *Solstice June 21, 7:40 p.m.* The North Pole of the earth will be tilted toward the Sun, which will have reached its northernmost position in the sky and will be directly over the Tropic of Cancer at 23.44 degrees north latitude. The solstice marks the first day of astronomical summer, the longest day.



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Constellation of the month:

- *Hercules* On June 2 will reach its highest point in the sky at around midnight. Becomes visible in the east-northeast just after sunset. Best viewing time between 9 – 12 p.m.
- *Keystone asterism* A trapezoid in Hercules
- *Messier 13 (M13)* The Great Hercules Cluster on the western side of the Keystone. Thousands of stars bound together. Can be seen with binoculars and under dark skies visible to the naked eye as a fuzzy star.

Meteor Showers: None in June

Billiards

Social & Tournament Billiards • billiards.scpdcaclubs.com

Richard Bettinson • 760-200-2696

by Don Campbell, VP

Tip for today: *Never ever chalk your cue prior to a miscue.*

Partners 8-Ball Tournaments:

- April 3: 1st Vic Sillanpaa/Kathleen Wiedmann; 2nd Sandy Schachter; 3rd Pat Powers.
- April 10: 1st (tie) Larry Tackett/Julian Ducre, Kathleen Wiedmann/Malcolm Gochioco; 3rd Dave Long/Roger Carsrud
- April 17: 1st Malcolm Gochioco/Milton Greenway; 2nd Larry Tackett/Chuck Allison; 3rd Bernie Froio/Jim Heilskov.
- April 24: 1st Jim Heilskov/Pat Powers; 2nd Dave Long; 3rd Jack Rooney/Chuck Rinkey.

Singles 8-Ball Tournaments:

- April 1: 1st Rich Bettinson; 2nd Vic Sillanpaa; 3rd Mike Emhoff
- April 8: 1st Dave Spalasso; 2nd Farrell Founberg; 3rd Vic Sillanpaa.
- April 22: 1st Chuck Rinkey; 2nd Joe Gonsalves; 3rd Dave Long.
- April 29: 1st Dave Spalasso; 2nd Jim Heilskov; 3rd Joe Sabato

Singles 9-Ball Tournament:

- April 15: 1st Warren Spaulding; 2nd Brian Kimura; 3rd Dave Long.

Mountain View mailboxes for clubs are closed. You may leave envelopes at the Events office or in the box outside their door.

Bocce

Social & Tournament Bocce • bocce.scpdcaclubs.com

Pat Powers • 509-220-2702

by Marla Fee

As the weather continues to heat up, we have shifted to our morning play hours. Members have received an email notifying them of the exact date of this change. NEW TIME: from May through October, Bocce courts are reserved for members Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 8 to 10:30 a.m. Members can arrive any time between 7:30 – 7:55 a.m. to see if we have enough players to form a full court “pick-up game.”

New and returning members may join by dropping a completed membership form and \$15 check to the Events Department in the Mountain View Clubhouse. Dues received after October 1 will be good until December 31 of the following calendar year.

Be sure to wear your bocce ball name tag!

The bocce ball courts are also available year-round for any resident who wishes to play using their own set of bocce balls.

There are misters to help cool things down and night lights for evening play.

Boomers & Friends

50s & 60s Revisited • boomers.scpdcaclubs.com

Terry Anne Johnson • 206-295-3240

by Barbara Kastner

Summer is here. Get ready to stay cool and enjoy the beauty of the desert at SCPD!

In May the Country Western Ho Down and BBQ was great fun. A perfect evening to enjoy great music and a wonderful buffet. Guests were dressed in Western style to get down to hoedown. This was the last event of this season for Boomers. A great time was had by ALL!

With the remodel of the Mountain View Clubhouse, Boomers is hoping for an event in October. The Boomers Board voted at their last meeting to limit attendance to 300 for Boomers events.

The new Board for next season has been elected: President, Sherry Wright; Vice President, Brenda Oliveras; Secretary, Annette Feliciani; Treasurer, Jeannie Shaw; Membership, Susan Boraston.

After being on the Boomers Board for the last eight years and *News & Views* contributor for the last four years, I will be stepping down. Vicky Harrison will be the new member of the Boomers board to provide this article.

Lots of wonderful and exciting social events are being planned for our Board for next season! You won't want to miss any of them! E-blasts will keep you informed!

BZBs

Knitting, Crocheting & Needlecrafts • bzb.scpdcaclubs.com

Mardell Sunley • mardisue2@gmail.com

by Cathy Clemens

Summer is upon us and although we are still busy knitting and crocheting, our meeting room has changed. The Mountain View Clubhouse is in the process of remodeling, so our group will be meeting in the Tahoe room in the Lake View Recreation Center. Our schedule is the same... Tuesdays from 9 a.m. – noon, just in a different location. Get out of the heat and join us while we work on our projects.

Canadian Club & Friends

canadian.scpdcaclubs.com

G. Barry Brent • 760-360-1647

by Barry Brett

The Canadian Club exists to enable Canadians and friends spending time in Sun City Palm Desert to meet socially and interact with fellow Canadians. Events through the year include a Grey Cup Party, Welcome Back Party, Trivia Night, Whist Night, Bocce Blast, Putting Contest, Golf Tournament and Games Night, together with other planned special events. The Canadian Club will list our calendar of events for 2025/26 when the dates and locations are confirmed. For more information, please see the website.

Chartered Clubs Events & News ...continued

Canasta

Cards · canasta.scpdcaclubs.com

Terri Tabarcea · 760-343-6839

by Eleanore Hahn, Secretary

Terri Tabarcea, our newly appointed President of the Canasta Club, was introduced and welcomed by the Club at our General Meeting on April 1. Her enthusiasm in presenting new and refreshing ideas, and functioning with transparency, is a commitment she made to the club. Welcome Terri.

June marks the conclusion of the first half of 2025. We are working closely with the HOA to secure our rooms to play for July. As soon as we receive the information we will share via flyers, website, emails, and announcements on Tuesdays when our club meets.

For June, our Lake View Recreation Center schedule remains:

- June 3: Big Bear / Silverwood rooms only
- June 10: Big Bear / Silverwood rooms only
- June 17: No rooms available – play is canceled
- June 24: Big Bear / Silverwood rooms only

Only 12 tables are available in the Big Bear / Silverwood rooms, so sign-up is critical for these dates. Schedule playing with Michele Landa at 310-991-4867.

Join the fun at the Canasta Club...we love new members! Contact Terri for information at 760-343-6839.

Car

Car Shows, Touring, Sharing Love of Cars

Tim Walker · tm.walker@comcast.net

by Tim Walker

The Car Club had an April rally to Pioneer Town for lunch and to explore. May 8 was a rally to the Bombay Beach Art Resort at Salton Sea. We will have more activities through the summer. Come join the fun!

Card & Game

Gin Rummy, Cribbage, Hearts, Scrabble

Jill Burt · 760-492-1107

by Jill Burt

Beat the heat this summer and come meet new friends, or bring some friends with you, to play cards and games in the Tahoe and Arrowhead rooms at Lake View Recreation Center! Our club meets every Tuesday from 12:30 – 4 p.m.

We play Euchre, Cribbage, Hand & Foot, Hearts, Pinochle and Scrabble. Other games are welcome. We have a volunteer interested in teaching the board game Catan; let us know if you are interested. Also, there are several wonderful Euchre teachers amongst us if you'd like to learn a new card game.

Note: There will be no club activity July 1 or September 2.

Ceramics

Open Ceramics · ceramics.scpdcaclubs.com

Jim Murray · 760-782-2312

by Stu Bailey

Wow! April has already come and gone, snowbirds have flown north and east, and those of us who are here year-round have the studio all to ourselves! Having said that things aren't slowing down

much at all. A few demonstrations are planned for the summer months and our window display is in its final planning stages. With the renovations to the clubhouse, we still have access to the ceramics room so for those of you who think we're closed for the summer, we're not! So come by, talk to our members, watch folks hand building and throwing pots on the wheel, and consider joining us this fall when things get ramped back up. For more information on our club please go to our website listed above.

Couples Putters

Social & Competitive Putting · couplesputters.scpdcaclubs.com

Steven Klein · 760-200-8792

by Steve Klein

Couples Putters season ended May 17. We do not play in June, July or August, but the course will be available, so feel free to play whenever you want.

Our season begins Saturday, September 6. There will be only one session at 8:30 a.m. in September, and possibly the first week in October, before the overseeding.

When you rejoin for the 2025–2026 season postdate your checks to July 1, 2025.

We wish you safe travels and a cool summer wherever you may be. Looking forward to seeing you at the end of the summer or in the fall.

Creative Arts

Paper & Decorative Arts

Karen Keinert · 760-601-7988

by Cathy Clemens

Summer is here and we will still be meeting on Tuesdays in the sewing room. The Mountain View Clubhouse is being remodeled but at this point we will still be open. The hours have changed somewhat, and our starting time will be 1 p.m. This may be subject to change, but for now we are busy creating and sharing paper craft ideas. Drop by and take a look.

Cyclists

Bicycling · cyclists.scpdcaclubs.com

Kim Murray · 250-240-9689

Jim Robinette 703-229-9168

Duplicate Bridge

Cards · bridge.scpdcaclubs.com

Fred Flegel · 269-649-1539

by Judy McMakin

Rick Flucke and Lynne Castoldi took home the high honors last month with a 67% game. Others taking first place were Barbara Perschetz and Bobbi Hoffman, Elizabeth and Bill Dani (twice!), John Nugent Patten and Cindy Selberg, and Diane Boger and Todd Blum.

Taking second and third places but still scoring master points were Joyce Gannon and Carol Ann Ackerman, Fred Flegel and Jackie Wilson, Angela and Dodd Fiori, Joyce Gannon and Janet Cunningham, Mark Borovitz and Harriet Rosseto (2), Linda and Victor Sillanpaa, Bernice Leve and Myrna Odwak, Chander



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and Daya Gupta and Mark Graver and Jim Groves. Congratulations to all!

We welcome new members. Need a partner? Call Janet Beaty 760-485-6983.

Financial

Financial Education • financial.scpdcaclubs.com

Rod Gale • 760-880-4638

by Rod Gale

Hello, to both summer and our Financial Club members! Great news from the May General Meeting where the club elected three new officers and added six At-Large Board members! All have been given assignments and are already involved with planning new topics, speakers and special workshops for next season. Library subscriptions are being expanded to bring you the best financial advice available in print.

Please feel free to send recommendations on topics or whatever else you feel will improve our club delivery. And, please, keep your email address updated with our current club treasurer, Brad Bachtelle at bbachtelle@bachtelle.com.

Food & Wine Connoisseurs

Premium Wine Education • fwcc.scpdcaclubs.com

Lou Ann Liebermann • 952-210-6751

by Rosemary Rawleigh

Club members enjoyed a wonderful evening at the annual Wine and Cheese Reception which takes place each year in May. It was a delightful opportunity for members to mingle while sampling a variety of wines and a delicious appetizer buffet.

Our next event will be a wine dinner in October. If you are not already a member, consider joining us for the 2025–26 season. Come dine with us and experience the charm of fine dining and wine tasting in a small group setting!

Forum

Discussion Group • forum.scpdcaclubs.com

Brett Thompson • 310-766-5505

by Brett Thompson, President

Forum will be dark until November 12 but will return next season with some very exciting changes and captivating speakers. Members, watch your email for more information and look at our website for renewal forms.

Enjoy your summer.

Fun City Bowlers

Mixed Bowling • funcitybowlers.scpdcaclubs.com

June Klabacha • 714-488-5686

by Evy Long

Looking for fun, friendship and a little competition? We are currently signing up bowlers for our fall season bowling league.

A great introduction to our league is summer bowling which is now underway at Fantasy Springs beginning at 1 p.m. on Mondays.

You do not have to join the league to bowl with us in the summer session, however, you must be a resident of SCPD. Rental shoes are available at an additional cost. The lanes provide various weighted house balls for your use. Please contact Ron Aikins at rgaikins49@gmail.com or 831-521-3828 by Saturday evening to RSVP if you intend to bowl on Monday. Please arrive at Fantasy Springs by 12:45 on Monday for lane assignments. Hopefully you will have so much fun you may consider joining us for league bowling in the Fall.

If you have any other questions, please contact June Klabacha at 714-488-5686.

We put the FUN in Fun City Bowlers.

Genealogy

Tracing Your Family History • genealogy.scpdcaclubs.com

Sherry Stockton • 909-815-4412

by Bob Meinhard

The SCPD Genealogy Club is here to help you on your family history journey! For beginners, myheritage.com is a great place to start. We also suggest setting up a free account at familysearch.org, another great site that has resources available for all genealogists. Our annual club dues are \$25 (\$35 for a couple) for 2025–2026. For more information, please pick up a brochure at one of the kiosks located in all the clubhouses.

We will meet on June 2 at 9:30 a.m. via Zoom only with Gary Fredericksen as our speaker, topic TBD. On June 23, Gary will also be hosting “Tech with Gary” via Zoom. He will be answering member questions about various genealogy research tools and challenges. No workshop this month.



Car Club's very well-attended rally lunch in Pioneer Town before heading out to explore the town built to film old Westerns.

Chartered Clubs Events & News ...continued

Glass Arts

Creating Stained & Fused Glass Art · glass-arts.scpdcaclubs.com
Kay Denson 818-415-0709

JoAnn Effron · 619-642-9595

by Carol Bishop

Work area and materials store are currently closed due to renovations of the Mountain View Clubhouse, with a tentative re-open date of June 23. Watch for e-blast updates from JoAnn.

Due to the closure of our studio, May was a month of adaptation. Some members created full-fledge glass studios in their homes, while others created pieces which required pre-cut glass, frit and glue. (Whichever techniques people have employed, there will no doubt be a long line for the kilns when we are allowed back in our room!)

Hopefully the planned 7-week closure will end on schedule and we'll be back together soon to share our work and camaraderie. Until then, let your creativity reign—be it in glass or some other media—and remember to read JoAnn's e-blasts for updates.

Hiking

Exploring Nature on Foot · hiking.scpdcaclubs.com

Kevin Rivette · 650-799-4446

by Kerry Berman

It has been a wonderful year, full of exciting vigorous hikes, more gentle rambles and educational walks throughout the desert and local mountains. We usually conclude our hikes at the end of April as we say goodbye to some of our friends who have plans to escape to cooler places this summer. For those who remain, informal hikes to higher elevations will provide relief from the heat.

The Board and hike leaders enjoyed our appreciation social that took place at my home on April 10.

In July, Kevin Rivette, our new President takes the helm, so we'll say, "See you in the fall," which is the typical start of our season in the Coachella Valley.

Next month Kevin will be announcing our first "off campus" trip, an excursion planned for Utah in October. Canyons and red rocks! Stay tuned for an announcement.

Thank you to my Board and hike leaders for a wonderful season. You've made my job a joy. We are growing – nearing 200 members and 20 hike leaders! Under new leadership we are looking to grow bigger and better this coming season.

Sunshine, blue skies and happy hiking.

Home & Garden

Desert Gardening · garden.scpdcaclubs.com

Louise Cummings · 949-300-0842

Homecrafters

Club for Home Crafters · homecrafters.scpdcaclubs.com

Anne Winchester · 760-668-8341

by Carol Corso

Did you attend, enjoy or purchase a unique, original, hand-crafted item made by one of our club members at the Spring Arts and Crafts Holiday Sale? Do you find satisfaction working with your hands using a variety of materials like wood, fabrics, yarn, clothing,

beads, succulents, rocks, gourds, flowers, etc., to make decorative practical items? Then, become a Homecrafters Club member and you can sell your creation at SCPD's biannual Arts and Craft sales!

Crafters desiring to sell in SCPD's November 2025 Arts and Crafts Holiday Sale must:

- 1) Be a member in good standing which means paying your \$20 dues. Join no later than September.
- 2) Attend the mandatory October meeting, and
- 3) Submit a "Seller's Worksheet" and an "Intent to Sell" form in October.

Whether you've been in the business for years or recently got the inspiration to create, you are welcome! Ours is "*the club with a difference*" and is growing as new members are constantly joining the club. Upcoming club events and dates are on our poster in the clubhouse display windows. Pick up a brochure and membership application in any clubhouse kiosk, then contact Anne, our President.

Looking forward to meeting you!

Italian Heritage

Italian Heritage · scpdcaclubs.com/dev/clubs/italian-heritage

Bernie Froio · 760-772-3204

by Susan Goldberg

We held our election of officers for the 2025-26 term at our April meeting. These will be our officers for the coming term: President, Bernard Froio; Vice President Membership, Christine Zdanowicz; Vice President Activities, Vicky Hayes; Secretary, Barbara Blade-Jacobs; Treasurer, Bob Melino; Assistant Treasurer, Richard Annis.

Dinner dances are on hold but Happy Hours will continue during the summer. Watch your email and the kiosks for announcements of coming Happy Hours.

We are very sorry to report the recent passing of one of our most beloved members, Fran Morehouse. A Celebration of Life will be held for Fran on what would have been her 97th birthday, Wednesday, June 11, in the Sierra Ballroom from 12 – 3 p.m.

You don't have to be Italian to join the Italian Heritage Club!

Jewelry

Creating Jewelry & Components · jewelry.scpdcaclubs.com

Christina Greenway · 760-345-4759

by Audrey Bierman

Well, summer is creeping up on us and I am happy to say, we will be meeting all thru the remodel of the clubhouse. Our room, to our knowledge, will continue to be available, so please plan on coming in and perhaps making new jewelry or remaking old. We celebrate birthdays every month with cake and coffee and lots of laughs. Warm welcome to all newcomers. We are here to help with projects. Hope to see you soon.

Lady Niners

9-Hole Golf · lady9.golfclub.net

Helen Reardon 760-574-8588

by Susan Glenn

Welcome summer! Remember to call the Golf Shop for tee times at 7:30 a.m. every Thursday (except third Thursday tournament for members only). Tournament play sign-ups are in the black binder



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located in Santa Rosa Golf Shop lobby. We invite any prospective members to join the Thursday shotgun. Membership flyers are in the clubhouse kiosk and on Lady Niners website with more details available on website. Thank you to all volunteers and board members.

Last April Lady Niners hosted a special thank you event with appetizers, spirits and gift box (thanks Joy Beck). We were decked out in our fancy spring bonnets.

Please consider joining the board or helping with easy tasks for lady niners next season. Volunteers are trained with club support and volunteers are mandatory for club success.

Lady Putters

Social & Competitive Putting · ladyputters.scpdcaclubs.com

Charlotte Brady · 760-346-1531

by Annette N Reed

Our Member-Member-Guest Tournament and Luncheon on April 23 was a huge success. After putting our Lady Putters and their guests enjoyed a wonderful barbecue prepared by Chef Rosie. Lots of cash prizes were awarded as well as some gift cards. A total ten teams were awarded prize money. Congratulations to all the winners. A big thank you to Tito from the Golf Shop for his expertise in setting up our course and all of the volunteers who helped make this a success.

Our 2024-2025 season came to a close last month with awards presented and next year's Board of Directors installed. Summer Putting began Wednesday, May 28. Sign up is at the Mountain View Putting Green. All SCPD women residents are welcome. Please bring \$2 and you will win \$1 for each hole in one. No uniforms required.

HAPPY, HEALTHY SUMMER TO ALL!

Don't forget to check our website for information, updates and photos.

Let's Compute Technology

Technology Education · scpdcaclubs.com/dev/clubs/lets-compute

Kathryn Querry · 707-803-6119

by Kathryn Querry, President

**THE TECHNOLOGY CENTER WILL BE
CLOSED DURING JUNE DUE TO CONSTRUCTION
IN MOUNTAIN VIEW CLUBHOUSE.**

There will be no in-person classes in the Technology Center and no Open Lab hours for members to use the equipment. However, the Let's Compute Technology Club is developing digital classes so members can continue to learn while the Technology Center is closed. Members will continue to receive emails with the monthly *Bits & Bytes* newsletter and digital class schedules as they become available. We look forward to seeing you once again when we can return to normal operations in the fall.

Be sure to join or renew your membership for July 2025 through June 2026. *New members* joining in June will have membership through June 2026. Member dues are \$25 per year (our club year is July through June). During construction the application form is available on our website. Print and snail-mail the form with your

U.S. check (no cash via mail, please) to Let's Compute, 38180 Del Webb Blvd., PMB #166, Palm Desert, CA 92211. Blvd., PMB #166, Palm Desert, CA 92211.

Line Dance

Instruction & Social Dancing · linedance.scpdcaclubs.com

Claudia Norwood · SCPDlinedanceclub@gmail.com

by Claudia Scott

We now are saying goodbye to our remaining members who are heading home for the summer. We will miss them but look forward to their return next year. We have had a wonderful year with membership continuing to grow and all classes being full. We have decided to have one last dinner dance on June 12. We will feast on pizza, salad, penne primavera and cannoli at a very reasonable price per person. We look forward to having all remaining members attending and enjoying a night of dancing, fun and feasting.

Remember that our club continues through the summer with classes five days a week on all levels. Please come and join us for a fun-filled summer of dancing. Line dancing is a great way to exercise the mind and body by learning new dances and attempting to remember the old ones. So come and join us for fun. You'll be glad you did!

Love To Dance

Social Dancing · love2dance.scpdcaclubs.com

Donna Genett · 760-636-0425

by Donna Genett

"Dancing is like dreaming with your feet." — Constanze

For more information, visit our website.



Hiking Club members learning the history of Palm Springs and the Coachella Valley from Kerry Berman, Certified Interpretive Guide.

Photo by Kerry Berman.

Mah-Jongg

American and Asian Mah-Jongg · mahjongg.scpdcaclubs.com
Ina Gibbons · 760-200-9190

by Nancy Benson

Happy play to our fun Mah-Jongg Club, and to all of you who are thinking of joining us. Lessons are available to those who would like to learn. Please contact Iona Allen at ona4zach@gmail.com or text Carrie Hayward at 562-438-6557. They also do refresher classes.

Congratulations again to all our tournament winners: 1st Place: Linda Sillanpaa; 2nd Place: Ann Morrison; 3rd Place Tie: Sandra Rifkin and Renee Twersky; 5th Place: Eve Inkeles.

Due to construction at our clubhouses, Friday games will not be in session until after October 9. We will offer some Wednesday dates. Please call to inquire. Our Thursday games will be held at 12 p.m. in the Lake View Recreation Center except for the following dates: June 26, July 10, August 14, September 11, October 2 and October 9.

Meditation Club

Meditation made simple! · meditation.scpdcaclubs.com
Doug Graham · 505-401-4845

by Tammy Graham, Treasurer

As summer shows itself, we know we will be spending more time indoors away from the heat. But how do we get away from the "heat" of our inner thoughts? Learning to meditate can help cool the ongoing chaos in our minds. The Meditation Club continues to meet most of the summer. Our sessions offer practices that are accessible for everyone. We have weekly in-person and Zoom meditation sessions. Check the website for our current schedule and locations or email suncitymeditationclub@gmail.com.

Men's Niners

9-Hole Golf in the Morning · mvmn.golfclub.net
Roger Smith · 760-200-1787

by Luigi Leonardi

This month will see the completion of the mandate for the past two years of President Frank Allen and the transition of a new board with Roger Smith as the new president, (July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2027).

Our tribute goes to Frank and the three other members of the Board who are also retiring, Ron Walker as Treasurer, Sam Price as Vice President and George Hayward as Secretary, and to the other returning Board members who have renewed their mandate.

The task was daunting; to pick up a club that had president and a treasurer for over ten years, and it had lost touch with the membership body. Frank and the Board met diligently every month and tabled many changes and improvements, including recruiting new members. Our gratitude goes to all of you. THANK YOU!

Menz Putterz

Social & Competitive Putting · menzputterz.scpdcaclubs.com
Paul Pendolino · 442-599-1428

by Luigi Leonardi, President

Friends and fellow putters! It's already June 2025. Sometime during the month, we will say goodbye to our organized putting until

Labor Day. In the first half, we had six exciting months; Geoff Hill overcame some very serious medical issues and won his fifth Green Jacket. We have seen our club grow to 132 members and we had, FOR THE FIRST TIME EVER, 100 players in one putting session. We now look forward to having more fun in the Fall. It's also time for everyone to mark their calendars with the next dates on our agenda. First, we will get together, as usual, on the first Tuesday after Labor Day, Tuesday, September 2. Add Tuesday, November 11 as our Fall Luncheon and Tuesday, March 10 for our General Meeting/Awards Luncheon.

June 2025 also marks the end of my ten-year tenure as your President. I know we had a great event in March to mark this passage, but I still want you to know how much I appreciated having the privilege to serve everyone. THANK YOU.

Enjoy the rest of the summer. Let's keep on puttin'!

Mountain Vista Couples Golf

Fun in a Golf & Social Setting · mvmgc2024-25.golfgenius.com
Paul Pendolino · 442-599-1428

by Valerie Dudley, Secretary

Our June 14 tournament "Happy Trails" is the last event of the season. The game will be "Sucker In The Bucket" and you may make your own foursome. Start time is 7:30 a.m. playing on the San Gorgonio course. We will gather in the Sierra Ballroom for our luncheon directly following play.

Your slate of officers for the 2025-2026 season are: President, Paul Pendolino; V.P., Jay Klabacha; Secretary, Valerie Dudley; Treasurer, Joy Rybolt; Membership Chair, Suzy Pendolino; Handicap Chair, Jennifer Eggers; Tournament Director, Rhett McKenzie; Asst. Tournament Director, Cathy Curtis; Social Chair, Jane Blanchard.

We want to thank all our membership for making this 2024-2025 season a very memorable one. We look forward to continuing the fun when the 2025-2026 season officially kicks off with the October tournament. Please remember to visit the Couples Golf website for information, forms, schedules and updates.

Have a wonderful summer!

Mountain Vista Ladies Golf

18-Hole Golf · mvlgc2024-2025.golfgenius.com
Mary Robinson · 425-766-3888

by Jane Blanchard, Secretary

At our May luncheon we swore in our 2026 Board. Shellie Pierce will be our new club President. Our next Board Meeting will be held Tuesday, June 10, via Zoom.

Congratulations to Vicky Harrison, "Most Improved Golfer" for 2025.

Summer Survivors runs June through September with August being dark. It's a fun tournament with a party and prizes in October. The Golf Shop will have Tuesday morning tee times available for non-Survivor members. Call the Golf Shop directly to book those tee times.

As always, keep informed about our activities on our website. Our renewal and new membership form will be available later in the summer. Consider joining our lively and fun club.



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Mountain Vista Men's Golf

18-Hole Golf • mvmgc2024-25.golfgenius.com

Skip Willis • 760-217-4650

by Art Dion, Secretary

On March 25, the MVMGC hosted a lunch for the golf courses and common grounds maintenance staff. The menu included fried chicken, green salad, potato salad, chips, soft drinks and cookies. The men and ladies of the staff were thankful, gracious and happy to be recognized for their efforts. The Board wanted them to know how much all the golfers appreciate their work.

As the hot summer weather arrives, we want to remind everyone to remain hydrated while outdoors and while playing. Drinking a bottle of water before play is always a good idea. Drink plenty of water or drinks with electrolytes. Park in the shade when possible. Play "ready golf" to shorten the exposure time in the heat. But, most of all, have fun with your playing partners.

Whether you're here at Sun City or travel the world to escape the heat, we hope you have a healthy and enjoyable summer.

Music Buffs

Appreciating & Performing Music •

musicbuffs.scpdcaclubs.com

Marilyn Townsend • 760-360-2856

by Nancy Rosenthal

Monday night Music Buffs will return on October 6, 2025, with Spencer Day, modern jazz singer and songwriter, best known for his hit "Till You Come to Me," as well as appearing on Star Search. Membership for Music Buffs Monday night concerts is \$50, which includes eight shows for the season. Kisha D scheduled for April 6, will not be appearing; Maximo Marcuso will take her place.

Memberships will be sold before the concert at 6:45 p.m., doors open at 7 p.m. and shows are at 7:30 p.m. Memberships are *only* for residents of Sun City Palm Desert. Credit cards are not accepted; cash or checks made out to *Music Buffs* only.

Sunday Concerts, available to everyone, will return in November:

- *November 9* Portrait of Aretha, The Legacy of the Queen of Soul.
- *December 14* (to be determined)
- *January 11* Burnham Sings Bublé
- *February 15* Linda Ronstadt Revue
- *March 8* Bobby Wilson, Mr. Entertainment

Flyers for Sunday and Monday concerts are available online and in the kiosks. For ticket and show information, please call Marilyn Townsend at 760-360-2856.

Performing Arts

Comedy, Drama & Variety Productions

performingarts.scpdcaclubs.com

Elaine Montgomery • 403-852-6079

by Elaine Montgomery, President

The next offering from the Performing Arts Club will be "Comedy Cabaret," our annual June festival of One Acts which will run June 6 – 8. Nine delightful short one act plays will be presented. Bar service inside the ballroom and snacks will be on the tables!

Tickets are \$20 with round table seating and will go on sale May 19 every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. – noon in the Mountain View Clubhouse. Or skip the line and buy directly online at Eventbrite.com. This will be our last offering of the season as we all wind down our activities and head into the hot summer months.

Pet Lovers

All Pet Lovers Welcome • petlovers.scpdcaclubs.com

Lucy Nigrelli • 760-691-0878

by Lucy Nigrelli

Please check your emails from Pet Lovers!

Our May 1 celebration was a huge success! It's great to hear that everyone had a wonderful time. Thank you to everyone who participated and made it memorable. Look forward to next month's article in *News & Views* with year-end results and a review of the year. If there's anything specific, you'd like to discuss or need help with, feel free to let me know!

Photography

Digital Photography & Instruction • camera.scpdcaclubs.com

Gary Pettersen • 206-354-0886

by Kathi Malec-Braunlich

This summer Education-in-Action sessions will take place via Zoom. Keep an eye out for Gary's weekly emails to learn how to stay involved whether you are far away or just down the street.

Summer offers great opportunities for photographing events, nature, and extreme weather, as well as get-togethers. If you would like to touch up your photography skills, visit our resource page for tips on better photography. Topics are relevant whether you shoot with a smartphone or traditional camera and can be found on our website.

Want to learn more? Visit our website or contact President Gary Pettersen to learn more about our club.



Mountain Vista Men's Golf Club hosted a lunch for the golf course and common grounds maintenance staff.

Chartered Clubs Events & News ...continued

PickleBall

pickleball.scpdcaclubs.com

Rich Allison · richallison67@gmail.com

by Jean Mylen, Vice-President

Pickleball, the fastest growing sport, has something for everyone – from beginners to more advanced players.

Sun City Palm Desert features the most premier courts in the valley. There are 12 *dedicated* courts, each with its own entrance. Water misters in the breezeway help cool you during those warm days and nights! All courts were also recently upgraded to LED lighting.

If you are new to the game, the SCPD Pickleball Club has a small seasonal fee of \$20 that allows you to take part in beginner's classes, use ball machines, and join special events. Club social mixers are plentiful, along with competitive ladders. A weekly organized set of nighttime competitions is now available!

This popular game of pickleball offers numerous benefits for older individuals, including improved cardiovascular health, enhanced balance and coordination, increased strength and flexibility, and fantastic social engagement, all while being a low-impact, and fun activity!

Come on down and meet friends at the Pickleball Club.

Quilters

Group & Personal Projects · quilters.scpdcaclubs.com

Debbi LoCicero · 703-725-5968

Chris Vanderputten · 250-391-0006

by DJ Miles

During the summer, we continue to meet in the Sewing Room, but at reduced hours, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., with our entrance being through the outside door on the west end of the room. This is temporary until the renovation project is complete in the Mountain View Clubhouse.

Come join our fun club. Only \$15 membership per year.



Softball Club RAMS, the 2025 Thursday League Champions.

Rainbow Circle

LGBTQIA+ Sun City Residents · rainbow.scpdcaclubs.com

Ray Graves · rainbowsuncity1@gmail.com

by Sheri Holbrook, Dir. Communications

CASINO NIGHT was a huge success with over 25 raffle prizes won by attendees! Thanks to all!

End of year celebration was held and officers for 2025–26 were announced. Pizza and salad bar was provided and enjoyed by all!

Ongoing activities through June... *Please note changes for the summer:*

- **Tuesday Morning Coffee:** 7:30 – 9 a.m., Daily Grind, Mountain View Clubhouse
- **Wednesday Happy Hours:** 5 – 7 p.m., Martini's, Mountain View Clubhouse

Go to our website to RSVP.

Rummy Q

Tile Play · rummyq.scpdcaclubs.com

Liz Klein · 732-266-5955

by Bernard Priceman

Club dues are \$5 per year!

Our June 12 meeting will be another ice cream social. Yay! Don't eat dessert after dinner that evening.

Rummy Q is very popular. It's a form of rummy but played with tiles. It's a lot of fun and it will challenge you, but it's easy to learn and we'd be happy to teach you.

Come by to watch us play and take a seat if you already know how to play. Then save your money until you have \$5, so you can become a member!

RV

All Things RV · rv.scpdcaclubs.com

Ray Ferra · rferra126@gmail.com

Social Bridge

socialbridge.scpdcaclubs.com

Susan Vee · 760-898-5661

by Sarah Jallinoja, Secretary

April 1st Place Winners: Valerie and Gary Gertz, Jim Maddocks/John McCord, Jon Holmquist/Ron Loken (twice), Allene Moore/Susanne Schow, Nancy Funnell/Scott May, J.B. Sacks/Susan Vee, Linda and Vic Sillanpaa, Jim Maddocks/Bill Metzdorf.

April 2nd Place Winners: Ron Loken/Leikny Sabato, Allene Moore/Susanne Schow, Shirley Holmes/Allene Moore, Kirsten Andersen/Jon Holmquist, Jon Holmquist/Ron Loken, Carolyn Fay/Glenda Grossman, Allyson Balch/Carmon Randall.

The top winners for April were Jon Holmquist and Ron Loken who each had two first place wins and two second place wins.

A close runner-up was Allene Moore with one first place win and two second place wins.

The top score for April was 7,810 made by Valerie and Gary Gertz on April 14.



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Softball

softball.scpdcaclubs.com

Steve Boger • boger.steve@gmail.com

by Patty Bowers

With the spring league complete we are headed into summer and warmer weather. Anyone wishing to play is sure to find a game that suits them. Our normal routine is to play Monday through Thursday. These are a combination of pickup games or invite games to choose from. Come on down to the field and see what's happening. Games start at 7:30 a.m.

Solos

Socials and More for Singles • solos.scpdcaclubs.com

Sally Hazzard • solossuncity@gmail.com

by Sally Hazzard

"SOLOS is for SINGLES in Sun City Palm Desert offering a variety of activities and opportunities to meet new friends." As we head into the summer with construction and heat approaching, your Solos Board is working to maintain activities for members.

- **LET'S EAT OUT:** Thursday, June 5, The Daily Grill at 73061 El Paseo Palm Desert. Meet in the Mountain View lobby or under the entrance portico (depending on construction) at 4 p.m. and then we will carpool to the restaurant.
- **HAPPY HOURS:** 4–5 p.m. Mondays at Legends & Icons. TBD depending on the construction schedule at Martini's Bar and then Boulevards Restaurant. Emails will be sent with updated information.
- **SPECIAL EVENTS:** The 2025–2026 calendar of events will be emailed and in kiosks. It may be modified based on the Sierra Ballroom construction schedule.
- **MEMBERSHIP:** It is time to renew for 2025–26. Please hold depositing membership applications in our club's mailbox during construction at the Mountain View Clubhouse.
- **GOLF AND PUTTERS:** For Monday golf, please contact Phyllis Fackelman at 239-994-4838 or fcckelmannp@gmail.com. For Friday putting, please contact Kathie Miller at 360-708-5586. Golf and putters will be played as weather permits.

Stitch & Sew

Personal & Group Projects • stitchnsew.scpdcaclubs.com

Beth Lindholm • 507-458-5367

Arls Sikorski • 605-359-2982

Sun City Singers

Choral Singing & Performing • singers.scpdcaclubs.com

Frank Denson • 818-415-0291

by Frank Denson

Thanks for your wonderful support. We are looking to begin our new season in September. Our first rehearsal will be on Tuesday, September 16, at 6:30 p.m.

The Sun City Singers are dedicated to bringing exciting choral music to Sun City. The chorus is filled with diverse people who

all are dedicated to making Sun City Singers a powerful force of happiness and uplifting entertainment to the Sun City Community.

We have fun, we make new friends and enjoy the connection to each other that singing in a group provides.

If you have ever sung in a junior high or high school choir, sung karaoke, with Girl Scouts, YMCA, church choir, with friends, at the beach or in the shower, then Sun City Singers is for you! We especially need male singers, first time singers, long-retired singers, and "don't know what part I sing" singers. You can all join, contribute and even, heaven forbid, find a new passion.

Contact me, Frank Denson, President at 818-415-0291 or fdenson3373@gmail.com, or join us in September!

Tennis

What A Racquet! • tennis.scpdcaclubs.com

Sheri Shepherd • 909-215-8228

by Sheri Shepherd

The few and the brave are still playing tennis all summer including men's and women's drop-in, clinics, lessons, and general play!

Play on the courts may not begin earlier than 6:30 a.m.

Coming up, watch for FREE Beginner (or rusty?) Clinics and Newbie Member "Meet and Greets" in the Fall!

We had an impromptu ice cream sundae celebration for those of us still here in mid-May.

The applications for the club are at the patio area at Building D which is by the tennis courts. Our tennis club is full of friendly folks from 55–90!

Feel free to contact me with any questions, finding tennis games or how to get started playing.



Tennis Club members at their April Mixer. Pictured (from left): Ursula Kaeshammer-Alther, Bryan and Lori Olson and Randy and Gina Rogers.

Chartered Clubs Events & News ...continued

Trim 'N' Tone

Aerobic Workouts · trimntone.scpdcaclubs.com

Rozzie Perlmuth · 818-521-8848

by Pamla Vale Abramson

Happy June! It doesn't seem right that the hot weather is here already. You snowbirds can relish in your cooler climes while we year rounders melt in the heat!

For all the mothers of humans and fur babies, we at TNT hope you were pampered and celebrated on Mother's Day. And this month, we hope all the fathers are also cherished, this time on Father's Day!

Our Farewell Fiesta Party, last month, was amazing. Mariachi players welcomed us to the event, many of our members dressed for the occasion and we learned the Mexican Hat Dance. So much fun. The entertainment was a very clever magician. Our lunch was a taco bar with all the accoutrements. It was a fun way to end this season. Ole!

Renovations are about to start on the Mountain View Clubhouse. Because of this the space will not be available. Coffee and... will be held in Boulevards thanks to the brilliant idea of our illustrious leader Rozzie. Our welcome back party will be held off campus. Mark your calendars for October 29.

Many clubs go dark for the summer, but not TNT. The only day that we are dark is Christmas Day.

Come join us!



Trim 'N' Tone Club members Steve Wagner and Joni Migdal celebrating April birthdays!

Ukulele Friends

ukulele.scpdcaclubs.com

Lori Fisher · lorifischer@ymail.com

Wine Tasters

Wine Tasting & Dinner · winetasters.scpdcaclubs.com

Carl Keinert · 760-851-6103

by Lori Schoenlaub

Summer has arrived and the snowbirds have flown the coop. Those of us who stay year-round prepare for the desert summer with sunscreen, beach towels, pool floats...and wine.

There will be renovations at the Mountain View Clubhouse this summer. Phase three is scheduled for July 17 to late September and will include the main lobby, ballroom, kitchen and meeting rooms. We will be making some adjustments to our September and October dinner and wine pick-up locations. We will keep you updated as we know more.

We want to thank our members for being open to the new ideas and few changes we tried this season. Thank you to Chef Rudy and the catering staff for preparing some unique and scrumptious dinners and thank you to the servers that are always friendly and willing to help. We appreciate all their hard work.

The 2025/2026 Board will be announced in the July issue. In the meantime, stay cool, be safe and enjoy your summer.

Cheers!

World of Women

wow.scpdcaclubs.com

Linda Giles · 760-200-1822

by Ann Shepperd

The WOW luncheons will start again in October through April. At this time, the Board would like to wish you all a great summer no matter where you travel.

If you are interested in joining the club, now is the best time to do that as our year begins July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026. It is also the perfect time to renew your membership if you haven't already.

The WOW luncheons give new residents an opportunity to meet new people in the community while discovering local charities. When you check in, you will be provided with your table assignment so that you do not need to go around the ballroom looking for an empty seat.

World of Women is a social and charitable club founded in 2001 for residents of Sun City Palm Desert. It meets on the third Monday of each month from October to April for luncheons and entertainment.

Writers Circle

Supporting & Encouraging Writers · writerscircle.scpdcaclubs.com

Carol Hazelwood · 949-246-2005

by Norma Saken

Official Writers Circle meetings are dark for the summer, however if interested in obtaining information about Writers Circle Summer Salons call or email Carol Hazelwood at carolomama@gmail.com or Sharon Perica at sharon.perica@gmail.com.

Fall season commences Wednesday, October 8, 2 p.m. in the Canyon Room located in the Sunset View Clubhouse. Come meet our new Board of Directors for the 2025–2026 season: President, Sharon Perica; Vice President, Linda Pierce; Treasurer, Manning Pellanda; Secretary, Michael Nicholas.



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Writers Circle was created as a forum to encourage and support both new and experienced writers by offering speakers, helpful critiquing, writer contests and networking with fellow writers. Visitors are welcome, all writing styles encouraged: poetry, essays, novels, short stories, memoirs, plays, etc. Whatever your favorite literary genre is, Writers Circle will support your creative endeavor.

Questions: email Carol Hazelwood at carolomama@gmail.com or Sharon Perica at sharon.perica@gmail.com.

Yacht

Radio Controlled Sailboats · yacht.scpdcaclubs.com

Reg Modlin · 248-705-1196

by Stu Sitzman

The Sun City Yacht Club is engaged in sailing and regatta racing of radio-controlled sailboats on “Yacht Lake” (unofficial name).

The lake course has permanently placed racing buoys allowing for a variety of different race options, pending wind conditions. And we now have three new shade trees planted lakeside!

Regattas are held weekly on Thursdays at the “Yacht Lake” east of Donny Circle, located between Valley Vista and Alliance. (Follow the golf cart path east from Donny Circle to the lake.)

We sail many different models of one meter model sail boats, all commercially available.

We invite and encourage all sexes with an interest in sailing, including novices, “wanna-be” sailors, experienced sailors (yes, many of us also sailed “big boy” yachts, some still do), all residents, renters, family—especially kids and grand-kids—out-of-town visitors, any inquisitive folks you know, sightseers, passers-by, lake-side dog walkers, realtor agents, exercisers, et.al. Make it down to the lake for this relaxing sailing experience change of pace and see for yourself what’s this is all about. Spend a relaxing time enjoying one of the most unique *daytime* Sun City Charter Clubs in action.

For more info, please contact Reg Modlin at 248-705-1196 or Stu Sitzman at 760-360-7726.

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Ruth Zebrack · 760-772-5149

by Marsha Reed Nall

IMPORTANT: If you’re new, arrive fifteen minutes before class to check in. Our volunteers greatly appreciate this.

CHAIR YOGA: Pick up a monthly schedule at the sign-in desk. *There are changes of times and there are cancelled classes.*

Our instructors mix traditional yoga formats, *Hatha*, *Vinyasa* and *Yin*. Any pose or stretch can be modified due to injury or ability. The chair yoga classes are derived from traditional yoga. When practiced regularly, the physical benefits of yoga include improved flexibility, stamina, and strength. Yoga can also be beneficial to mental health.

The club also offers Pilates which focuses on strengthening and toning the body. The movements are generally slow and controlled and focus on repetition of low-impact exercises that work core

muscles. “It has great health benefits, and it’s a form of strength-building exercise that uses body weight as resistance,” according to Dr. Leber (Vogue).

With wonderful instructors, our unlimited classes are \$30 monthly; single classes \$5 each. The first class is free. Annual membership fee \$25.

Don’t be late. Classes start on time, and we close the doors.



Writer’s Circle Annual Contest winners: (seated l-r) Florence Mayers, 1st Place Poetry; Carol Hazelwood, 1st Place Fiction; (standing) Rick Kenney, 2nd Place Poetry; Sharon Perica, 2nd Place Fiction.

*Sudoku
Solution*

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9	1	7	8	3	2	4	6	5
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7	4	2	6	8	9	5	1	3
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Brandeis Nat'l. Comm. Desert Chapter

brandeis-desert.org

Marcia Plumleigh • 760-310-1822

by Charlene Williamson

It's June in the desert and the world has turned up the heat. Snowbirds have flown and traffic is back to nice and easy. However, our Brandeis Desert Chapter is not in snooze mode. We are planning wonderful events for the coming season.

Our members will be enjoying lectures, luncheons, study classes and opportunities to meet new people. We have a new President, Susan Longo, and a new administrative staff. Until everyone settles in, I can always be reached with questions at 760-360-2349.

Shout out to our retiring President, Marcia...kudos for a job well done!

Chabad in Sun City

Nadine Cazary • 310-351-2524

Democrats in Sun City

suncitypalmdesertdemocrats.org

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by Melanie Wank, VP Political Action

May was marked by action.

We rallied. On May 3, we carried signs along with thousands at the May Day "Stop the Billionaire Takeover" rally held at the downtown Palm Springs Park. Sponsored by the Courageous Resistance chapter of Indivisible, this event joined protests throughout the country and featured U.S. Rep. Robert Garcia (D-Long Beach).

We donated. Generous contributions from our members totaled more than \$2,000 for FIND Food Bank. The desert's regional food bank, this nonprofit distributed 28 million pounds of food in 2023 to 175 food pantries, soup kitchens, etc., helping to feed 125,000 people every month. Major cuts to the federal programs that support this effort portend food shortages this year.

We served – dessert! We sponsored the first-ever dessert tables, laden with our home-baked treats, at the annual Dio De Las Madres Campesinas on May 9. This celebration of farm worker women in the Coachella Valley is sponsored by the TODEC Legal Center and features a day of fun, food, and music for these women and their children.

Join us at our June 17 meeting for a fun "send-off for the summer" social while learning our plans for continued engagement during the summer months.



Due to the clubhouse renovations requiring flexible room assignments, NO EVENTS will be listed from May thru October. Please check with your clubs directly for meeting times and locations.

Friendship Church

friendshipchurchsuncity.com

Church Office • 760-260-8640

by Dr. Gary Gulbranson, Senior Pastor

Happy June from all of us! Even though many of our snowbirds are headed back to various locations, we are still excited for summer. June is a busy month as many of you celebrate family graduations and anniversaries. Added to that is the celebration of Father's Day on Sunday, June 15. We invite you to make Friendship Church part of your summer schedule starting this month. We will be in full swing all summer with two services each Sunday at 8:30 and 10 a.m. in Speakers Hall, Sunset View Clubhouse. We continue to be honored to serve many of you in our Sun City community through counseling or visitation, as well as helping to conduct memorial services and weddings. Everyone is welcome to join our services and experience the warmth of true fellowship. Visit our website.

Hadassah

Roni Spetalnick • 760-360-8465

by Nancy Polacheck

The Hadassah Foundation leads the movement to revolutionize the role, perception, and impact of all who identify as women and girls in Israel and the American Jewish community. Established by Hadassah, "The Women's Zionist Organization of America in 1998 to refocus the priorities of the Jewish community through creative grantmaking. It has awarded almost \$12 million to 113 organizations. We believe that advancing gender equity in Israel and the United States through collective funding, relationship building and education, will foster lasting change and positive impact for people of all genders." Our programs and grants elevate and empower women and girls in leadership roles, confront gender-based violence and increase female political representation.

Dates to remember: One Monday evening in the month of July and one Monday evening in the month of August, we will have the Hadassah women's Study Speaker Series. This is an interactive program for women, facilitated by women.

If you are interested in more information on our desert area Hadassah Group and programs, please contact VP Membership Eileen Eisenberg at 760-345-9977.

Neighbors 4 Neighbors

Friends of the Desert Village Initiative • neighbors4neighbors.net
Hotline • 760-592-9864

SCPD Republicans

Pamela Levin • suncityrepublicans@gmail.com

by Jim Palmer

Our club will not meet in June, July or August. When we return in September, President Trump will be completing his second 100 days in office since the election. And what a first 100 days we've had! Per *The Washington Post*, "Since Franklin D. Roosevelt's earthshaking first 100 days in office, no President has matched the

sheer drama and disruption of that 15-week sprint...at least until now." There were many high points of accomplishments during the first 100 days, and they were disruptive to be sure. Change can require disruption, and dramatic change can be quite disruptive.

Now, as the pundits will say, "...more later."

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Sun City Jewish Services

Nadine Brinhendler • 707-332-3947

by Nadine Brinhendler, President

Sun City Jewish Services has embarked on its location change for June, July, August and will see how the remodeling is coming along for September and the fall of the year.

Our Friday night Shabbat Services through the summer will be held June 6, June 20, July 18 and August 15. They all start at 7:15 p.m. in the Lake View Recreation Center. This is the third clubhouse which is the smallest and has a fitness center with walking track, but no restaurants. Our services will be held in the three adjoining rooms. We will not be able to accommodate everyone, and Zoom will be made available.

Our membership year is July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026. Please get your membership in promptly, especially if you want to have your loved ones listed in the memorial book for Yom Kippur. For membership information, contact Susan Katzman at 760-641-0411 or Susank92253@gmail.com.

To sponsor an Oneg Shabbat, contact Karen Kent at 818-456-7601 or karengardens@sbcglobal.net, or Rabbi Dr Kenneth Emert at palmspringsrabbi1977@gmail.com.

For any other concerns or questions, I can be reached at 707-332-3947 or email brinhendlern@gmail.com.

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VACATION RENAL

MAINE PLESANT Lake New Studio Apt 1 dbl bd & day bd 1 ba washer/dryer, 55+ linens May 10-October 31 Sat-TV \$1k wk \$2kmo, \$200 non refund dep Elc cook-top, garage, kayak fishpoles First Lobster feed on us. Pet? No sm Call to see pictures would like to meet you we are on property Brenda 207-296-2439.

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MISCELLANEOUS

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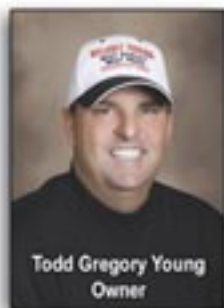
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