

SUNSCAPE WAY HAPPENINGS

March 2022

"Vision of a Sunscaper"



Medical/Fire Emergency—Call 9-1-1, say Pinal County so that the call is properly directed.





Guess who found Egbert??

(see page 4)

Egbert is in the park waiting for you to figure out where he is hiding. You will find Egbert in or around any one of the park buildings. If you locate Egbert, pick him up, take him to your home, and send an email to:

Newsletter@sunscapervresort.com

The first one in gets the prize. You will be awarded with a \$15.00 gift card from the Dairy Queen. You will also get your picture with Egbert in the next newsletter.





Who Will sind me in Novembers





Editor news — Suzi Rupert

This is our newsletter, so if you have any submissions or ideas please send them to:

newsletter@sunscapervresort.com.

Where did the season go??

This is the last newsletter until November. Hope you have enjoyed the publications. I have enjoyed putting together your submissions along with a few of my own. I'll keep Egbert safe and sound until November. You can continue to send in ideas and/or submissions throughout the summer. I will need them to put into the November newsletter. I know many of you stay here year around, so I am sure you will have some input for me.

See you in the Fall!





Important Deadline Due Date

Newsletter articles, etc 5th of each month

Kudo Corner—Star Quality



Who is Alan Koxlien??

Alan is one of the many exceptional volunteers at Sunscape that make our home a fun place to live. Without Alan running ALL the audio and video operations and recycling center Sunscape would be rather quiet and boring.

Alan and his wife, Ruth, have been in Sunscape for 9 years, the last 4 years, full time. A Navy veteran where he was trained in a medical lab and as an x-ray tech. He also worked in a hospital, and later learned skills as an electrician. Originally from



Wisconsin, Alan met and married Ruth, who was from Michigan. They have been married for 55 years and have 2 daughters. Alan and Ruth spend a few summer months in Lacey, Washington at their daughter's home. Alan crafts beautiful stained glass art, which he sells at our craft fairs. You can also visit him on lot 405 and he will show you his work. (you will probably buy something, I did)



Alan volunteers countless hours at the sound board. Something he does every Sunday morning for church service. He also provides his skills for concerts and other special events.



Thank you Alan, we appreciate you!

Pet Stop

Lot 358



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Me and my Mom out for a bike ride. I love riding around the park and seeing all my friends.

I was rescued in August 2019 by my parents, Carol & Gary. I am a 4 year old poodle. I love all kinds of dog treats.



Communication Corner

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Board of Directors Organizational Meeting held directly after the Sunscape Annual Meeting February 23, 2022

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Vern Beckstead

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Butch Partee—Richard Hinkle

Tom Omlid

Liaison Committee Assignments

Activity Butch Partee

Admin Support Judy Wilson

Ambassadors Butch Partee

Architectural Ken Macomber

Audit Sandra Smith

Communications Rich Hinkle

Election Tom Omlid

Finance Sandra Smith

Long Range P & P Vern Beckstead

Park Party Rich Hinkle

2022 ANNUAL MEETING

Highlights for the Sunscapers that could not make it to the meeting.

Election Results: 73% of Sunscapers returned their ballots.

Sandy Smith was elected as new board member. Rich Hinkle was re—elected as board member. The purchase of the mini excavator was approved.

100 Electronic ballot packets were sent out.

<u>Sewer Odor:</u> Park Manager Larry, stated the most calls to his office lately regard the

obnoxious odor coming from the sewer plant. Larry explained the new owners experienced a problem with the device that controls the chemicals that breakdown the solid particles. It is now remedied and as soon as the chemicals catch up, the

odor will be eliminated.

<u>Park Party 2023:</u> March 5th is the kickoff date for this fun event. Various events will include dinner/

dance, golf car races, talent items auction, Golf tournament, etc. Details TBA.

<u>Lot Sales</u>: There were 58 lot sales in 2021.



Kirk is my new friend!!

He found me next to the exit gate by a shrub. I was visible from the road but Kirk noticed me standing there. I don't like the cold nights, so I was glad he spotted me.

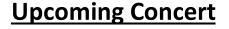


Here I am standing proudly on his dining table. Nice and warm inside his home.

I didn't want to leave but my handler had different ideas. She said a March

reader of The Sunscape Way Happenings needed a DQ treat.

Kirk and Cheryl said they went and enjoyed a meal at DQ. Cost them a \$1.00 for the dining experience. .





March 22nd Garth Brooks Tribute

Details and ticket locations-see Sunscape Weekly Activities publication. Tickets are \$20.00 each.

DID YOU KNOW??

The electrical pedestal, including the pedestal, is the responsibility of Sunscape.

The water to the hose or pipe connection is the responsibility of Sunscape.

The sewer lines to the connection point for the RV/Park model are the responsibility of Sunscape.

Connections from your unit to the pedestal/sewer standpipe is the owner/renter responsibility.

> If you have a problem please email maintenance@sunscapervresort.com

Thank you JoAnn Bloemendaal for this idea for our newsletter.



JAM SESSION **SCHEDULE**

Come enjoy our

talented Sunscapers

Happening in the CC 6 PM

March 15th & 29th





Dawn Nester shared this with us on The Sunscape Group Facebook site, so I copied for our newsletter. Love the creativity, Dawn.



MARCH TOWN HALL



Below are snippets of the variety of items discussed on March 1st

- ♦ Mark Strachan, lot 393—The American Legion is having a Poker Run, March 12th. Cost is \$25.00 . Proceeds go to Veterans. Flyer posted on bulletin board in breezeway.
- ♦ Activity Director, Gayle—A lot of events in the month of March. Look to the activity sheet for dates/times, location, and cost. Our last day here at Sunscape will be March 15th. Please come by the activity office to help us sell the soda and candy.
- ♦ Park Manager, Larry, thanked everyone for their participation in park events. The concerts, however, are lagging behind. Next year we will most likely go down to 1 concert per month, due to inactivity.
- ♦ Butch Partee—Annual park garage sale is on March 19th from 8AM—12PM. Located in the large storage area. If you can volunteer to help set up please contact him.
- Park Manager, Larry, continues to emphasize the behavior of the Sunscapers riding bikes in the park not obeying the stop signs and pedaling too fast in the park. PLEASE follow the rules of the road and be watchful of one another.
- ♦ Please treat the exit sign as an EXIT, not an entrance. Larry has seen many of you disobey the signs.
- ♦ Albert Conley is having an Arizona Summer Close-up seminar on March 2nd and encourages all to attend. This information is invaluable to summarizing your winter home.
- ♦ The park is using a lot more water, 200,000 gallons more this past month. Please be mindful with your water usage.
- ♦ Someone has been using the shower in the AC to give their pet a wash job. Absolutely not allowed.
- ♦ Thank you Alan Koxlien for all you do for our park. And Thanks to Alan and Dave Arndt for setting up the audio for our annual meeting.
- ♦ This is Ilene's last month in the park. If you see her give her a thank you for her service and skills as our chef.
- Sunscape is hiring for a replacement chef along with an activity director for the next season.
- ♦ Larry would like to thank everyone for voting YES on the mini excavator. It's going to make the maintenance crew's work a lot easier.
- ♦ 50/50 raffle Gary Hotovec, Lot 372 won \$52.00.
- ♦ When you leave the park, check out at the Welcome Center, leave your forwarding address and purchase a sheet of labels for \$1.00 if you would like your mail forwarded.
- ♦ Check your lots over for weeds and Palm trees with dead fronds should be trimmed before you leave. If you need weed service the Welcome Center has information regarding Weed & Trim services.
- ♦ A short 3 question survey for residents has been suggested by a Sunscaper. (at the BOD meeting after the Town Hall it was decided that the survey will be in your mailbox this week)
- We welcomed Sandy Smith as the new board member and Rich Hinkle elected as the incumbent.

Town Hall February 23rd - snippets continued

- ♦ It was brought up that there are between 6-8 washers out of service in the AC building laundry. Our choices for providers is very limited. Larry will discuss with the board of directors as to how to remedy the problem.
- ♦ Vern Beckstead gave us a report on our recycling efforts. The park realized \$1663.00 for 2 months of our efforts.
- ♦ Larry thanked everyone for their kind words and support recently.
- ♦ Larry closed with a quote from Monday Morning Mojo, a local writer:

"RUMORS ARE TRUE IF YOU ARE ONLY TELLING ONE PERSON AT A TIME"



Subscribing to Sunscape News, Activity Sheets and Newsletter

To receive Sunscape news, Activity
Sheets or Newsletter by email, go to
the Sunscape website—
www.sunscapervresort.com and scroll
to the bottom of the home page.
There you can click on the request to
sign up. Once you click on the
request, another page will appear
with the sign up form. Just enter your
name and email address and select
what notices you want to receive.



Cat Box for Kitties



Suzi came to my lot (493) and saw the sign and approached gingerly. I sure fooled her. I am really not an attack cat, just want

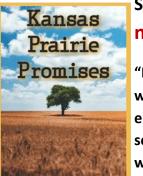
visitors to respect my place.

My Name is BUSTER.

I am 10 years old.
My Mom & Dad, Sue
and Tom, found me
at a shelter and took
me home. I was just a
kitten at the time,
but I remember it
well. Kinda weird,
but I like smelling
vehicle tires— a few
dog traits, I guess.







Sharon Durken is the 1st to share with us her 2nd book that is **now** in the Sunscape library.

"Kansas Prairie Promises" is historical fiction based on a census page I saw while giving tours at the Custer House at Fort Riley, KS. The story follows eleven-year-old Lucinda as she grows up navigating life on the prairie, her secret friendship with an enslaved girl, decisions, lies, and the roles of women during those times.

I've been coming to Sunscape RV Resort every winter since 2014. "Kansas Prairie Promises" is my second book. I'd love to have a sale, signing, and then discussion group. There are book club discussion questions in back of the book.

Each Friday at 10:00 in the AC/CR we have a writer's group for the talented residents of Sunscape. We always encourage others to join us, because everyone has a story to tell. Some like to write stories for their grandchildren so they learn what life was like "in the old days". Come join us.

Sharon Durken, Lot 4

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Important message from our mailroom

Are you ready to leave Sunscape for I the spring/summer months??

Prior to leaving you need to provide the Welcome Center with a forwarding address to send any mail that arrives here you would like sent to your current address. You can purchase mailing labels at \$1.00/sheet.

Mail is only forwarded for 6 months.

This article was requested by Lynette Spicer. Information obtained from Park Manager, Larry Jordon.



What is a Workamper??

Sunscape usually has 3-4 workampers during the season. They work 20 hours per week and are compensated with a lot and electric. They are here, generally, from November to April.

They provide custodial services, set up & tear down for events, landscaping, painting, some work in the maintenance shop, and whatever else needs to be done to keep Sunscape looking sharp.

This season we have 2. Bryan Wilhelmi and John Ziefle. Both workampers were featured in prior Newsletters.



If you are new to the park, congratulations on becoming a fellow Sunscaper. Welcome to the friendliest park in Arizona. If you have any questions on how to communicate with various departments, please refer to page 2 of this publication where you will find email addresses.

Lot #	Sunscaper	Date
152	Mark & Roberta Sutfin	2/22/2022
169	Mark & Sandra Kidwell	2/22/2022
234	Thomas & Lola St. Clair	2/10/2022
452	Virgil & LaDonna Umland	2/06/2022
513	Michael & Lucia Baughman	2/19/2022
513	Steve & Debra Donner	2/04/2022



Are you a book worm? Want to share a good book or author with us? Well in a new section we have a space just for you. Send the editor, a title or author, the style, and a little about it and I will publish for those interested.

Sharon Durken shares her 2nd book with us on page 7 of this publication.

<u>First time ever—Albert Conley called Card Bingo Feb 28 and gave 5, Yes 5 lucky winners a split of 93 dimes. Good job Albert!!</u>

Sunscape RV Directory "By the Numbers"

Printing costs for 250 Copies, cost \$2,138.02 or approximately \$8.55 per copy.

If **ALL 250** copies were sold at \$8.55 we would break even. By setting the price at \$12.50, we would break even at **172** copies sold.

All funds collected for copies sold over 172 will be deposited directly into COOP funds.

The Communication Committee hopes that by understanding the above information, the cost of the 2022 Directory will be a little easier to understand why the \$12.50 cost was justified.



SUMMARIZE THAT PARK MODEL/RV

By Albert Conley

On page 4 of Albert's hand out for his presentation on March 2nd provides the important precautions to make as you depart for the summer. Here is a brief summary. The handout will be available in the Clubhouse for your convenience.

- 1) Turn off all breakers on your electrical panel.
- 2) Turn off park water supply at the pedestal.
- 3) Remove any exterior items that could blow around or be damaged by weather.
- 4) Place a key in an external lock box or give to a trusted neighbor.
- 5) Check out at the Welcome Center.