

SUNSCAPE WAY HAPPENINGS

March 2023-LAST SEASONAL ISSSUE

"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

and Petunia

in February & March

(see page 4)

Egbert, and now, Petunia are in the park waiting for you to figure out where they are hiding. Egbert and Petunia are in or around any one of the park buildings. They will NOT be on anyone's lot. If you locate Egbert and Petunia, pick them up, take him to your home, and send an email to:

newsletter@sunscapervresort.com
(or stop by lot 236 with Egbert & Petunia)
You will be awarded a \$15.00 gift card
each from the Dairy Queen. You will also
get your photo with Egbert and Petunia
in the next newsletter.

**This is the last month to find the lovely couple. See you in November









The majority of Sunscapers will head for our summer locations in the next couple of months. I look forward to your return to help me fill the pages of our newsletter. It has been an interesting weather season. I think we all would enjoy a bit of warmer weather. After all, isn't that one of the reasons we spend the winter here?

Egbert and Petunia will be spending their summer in Oregon. They, too, look forward to watching all lookers try to find them again. Safe travels and many blessings to us all.

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Important

Deadline Due Date

For

Newsletter

articles, etc.

3rd of each month



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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 subscribe or unsubscribe to.

Sunscape Sunshine Café is open

Reggie Jordan and her faithful kitchen helpers plan on providing breakfasts and dinners through the end of March. The menu will be on the board outside the CH

and will be sent via email/activity sheet to all.





A benefit billiards tournament was held February 19th. Donations

totaling \$445.00 were donated by players and a couple of other Sunscapers. It was presented to Tom Omlid, our fellow Sunscaper, to help offset medical expenses.



1st Place—Dave Savage



Pictured above, left to right. Larry Clasen, Dave Savage, Steve Horsfall, Tom Savage, Judy Wilson, Greg Rupert, Suzi Rupert.

Other participants, not pictured, were Perle O'Daniel, Tony Reistroffer, Lance Klosa, Dennis Bradshaw, and Danny Wallin.

**Thank you Dan Leachman for taking the group photo.

Our Neighbbors

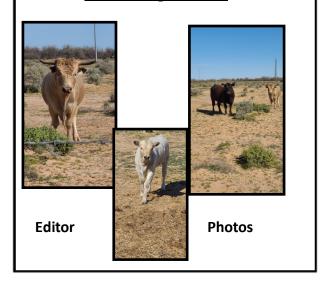


Photo by Beulah Moore



Photo by Eileen Inman



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The Happenings



Karaoke 7 PM in the *CC*



The music starts every other week on Friday nights. Check out the weekly activity sheet.



Please obey the sign on the right side of the exit street. Traffic is coming both directions and you are required to yield to the oncoming traffic.

Please be careful!!!!

Have a question on some aspect of the operation of our park? Submit to:

newsletter@sunscapervresort.com

Here is the 1st one:

When we have events, what happens to the profit, if any?

Larry, our park manager, provided the answer.

"All the funds taken in from the activities goes
back into the general budget. The funds help to
keep the assessments low. Naturally, if we lose
money on an event then the budget takes a hit."

Friends Helping Friends Event

Spaghetti Feed

When: March 22nd 4 PM to 5:30 PM

Where: CC

Proceeds go to Tom Omlid to help offset his medical expenses.



Upcoming Concert



March 23—Come Back Buddy



JAM SESSION

Tuesdays - 6:30 in the CC



3rd Thursday of each month

4PM in the CH

The Monthly Wine and Cheese gathering
Price of admission: A bottle of wine
(all wine is placed on the serving table
to be shared by all)

Questions-Call Shirley Gropp

785-614-2156



Do you know this guy ??

Every Valentines Day he hands out a box of chocolates to ladies in the park. This year he gave out over 150 treats. If you haven't got a box of chocolates, find out who he is and get to know him. He will reward you with the chocolate

delights in 2024.









He did it again. Kirk

Wagner won for the second time. Do you want to know his secret? It's called tenacity, accompanied by the love of the yummy treats at the DQ.

Kirk told me he got up early, jumped on his bicycle and started the Egbert hunt. "I was just about to give up, after

looking in and around all the park buildings, when I decided to look near the propane tank. There he was, I pointed at him and said there you are, you little bugger". Kirk's love for the DQ prompted him to continue the search. Moral of the story?

NEVER GIVE UP, YOU WILL FIND WHAT YOU

ARE LONGING FOR!!



The Schoenebergers



The DAV Clothing Box

The DAV Pinal County Chapter #36 located in Coolidge is here to help all Veterans of Pinal County. The clothing box is emptied, when full, by DAV members, cleaned, separated by gender, and then by size. If a veteran comes to the chapter they can select the items they need at no cost to them.

Clothing not used is taken to a company that in turn gives the chapter money for the clothing. The money is then used to help veterans in financial needs.

Making it pretty again with a touch up of paint.



Finished Project!!

2nd DQ Gift Card Winner



Gary Brunner is your lucky winner of the DQ gift card for finding Petunia.

Petunia had been in the
Clubhouse all night. Gary just
happened to walk by the
Activity office and when he
looked up he saw what he
thought was Petunia. Gary
called his wife, Katherine, and

said "are we looking for Petunia" and she said "yes, bring her home". It was just meant to be that Gary noticed her on the top shelf, in the closet, next to the Activity office.

Okay ladies....let's even up the score in November!!

The importance of Volunteering in our Sunscape community By Paul Lasley, Lot 483

Now that the elections are over, it is time to thank the candidates who ran for the Board of Directors and to acknowledge their work and dedication to the Sunscape community. As a cooperative community, all of us are responsible for contributing to maintaining the property and governing ourselves. When you compare the cost of living in Sunscape to other parks, you will find our costs are a fraction of privately owned for profit parks. Some are in the range of \$5,000. per year. The most expensive one I've heard about in Casa Grade is \$15,000. per year. When you compare those to the current Sunscape annual assessment of \$1825, we are truly fortunate.

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Caring Sunscapers



Just before lunch in early February, 2023, the OMLIDS (Tom and Colleen), called to ask about stopping by. When they walked in, they were both smiling like Cheshire cats. Much to our surprise they had arranged for a list of friends to take a turn driving Terry to his upcoming 5 days a week radiation appointments.

Now that we both are somewhat recovered from the shock of "the quiet caper in the park," I must tell you we have never been as moved nor as surprised. Not often anything "gets by me (Ruth)," but this most certainly did.

We are still trying to reconcile how we deserve such kindness, loving friends and amazing generosity of spirit and giving, including from virtual strangers.

Colleen, along with Janet G, Sharon C, Lynn & Dale M, Rich & Peggy K, Gene & Cathy B, Hank & Kathy B, Fred & Leah L, Warren & Sheri J, Ron & Martha B, Carol S and Gary & Pam W had organized and taken to the streets, gathering well wishes and signatures on the clever cards, handmade by Lori T; she is such a joy and talent. They also gathered donations to help with our almost \$3k per month out-of-pocket expenses of chemotherapy treatments for my hubby. Terry Tewell, for those that do not know, was officially diagnosed with Pancreatic Cancer less than two weeks after our return to Sunscape in October. The Sunscaper love and concern started with Terry's procedure, at Chandler Regional, on October 19, 2022. We had to be there by 5:30 am.

Knowing why we were getting the procedure (to rule out or confirm the dr's suspicion of pancreatic cancer), Carol L came to our aid at 4 am to drive us to and back from that procedure appointment.

We truly felt the kindness and loving nature of fellow Sunscapers that day and every day since.

Each time Terry has had a procedure under anesthesia, we have had a fellow Sunscaper right there.

There has been Carol L (as mentioned earlier), Bill G, Russ C and Lynn and Dale M.

The much appreciated "on the deck" visits, thoughtful greeting cards, inquiries of concern, offerings of assistance, homemade bread (Mark K) and soups (Sandy K and Colleen O and Shirley G), sweet treats (Renus & Donna and Colleen O) and unending PRAYERS have been numerous. We truly "feel the Sunscaper love."

Between our friends back East and those here in Sunscape and North View Estates we have received monetary donations to equal most of what we paid out of pocket, so far, for his treatments and tests and surgeries.

We will never quite understand how we "were lucky enough" to have found Sunscape RV Estates while browsing a "while you wait" pamphlet at Casa Grande's IHop back in 2013. Divine providence?

It certainly changed our lives and renewed our belief in the goodness of humanity, at least in our chosen neighborhoods, here and in the east. We have been privileged to know some of "the very best" right here in Sunscape.

Thank you for the loving kindness Ruth and Terry Tewell

Town Hall Briefs .. For more information view the video on the Sunscape Facebook Pg

Park Manager, Larry, introduced our new bookkeeper, Renee Greenslave. Please check with Larry and Reggie first if you have any accounting questions, in order to give Renee time to get settled.

BOD, Vern Beckstead spoke on the sanctioned and unsanctioned food events happening in the park. For further details tune into the video feed on Sunscape's Facebook page.

Larry & Reggie gave us their input on how employees are treated and how they expect employees to respond to park management. With the expected loyalty they provide, they do expect loyalty in return. The park managers, are stewards of the park.

Butch provided the names of the new and/or transferred lot owners for the month of February.

The Finance committee and Long Range Planning and Property committee chairs and members were recognized for their watchful eye on the park's valuable assets.

The board received an invoice for the repair of the electrical meter damaged by a member when their golf cart accidentally ran into it. The invoice of \$13,787.77 was presented to the board for the repair that is due on March 15, 2023. The BOD will authorize payment and convene to discuss options on how to recover the damage cost.

Park Manager, Larry still asking folks to slow down and obey the various signs in the park. e.g. Stop, Yield.

Members need to stop feeding the birds. In the park's rules and regulations it is not allowed. As mentioned many times before, the seed attracts mice and snakes. Please review the rules and penalties if you do not adhere to park policies.

The chair lift in the pool is functional. Great attendance at the concerts. Thank you for your participation.

Again, adhere to the signs in the cactus garden. There are NO dogs allowed.

The chairs in the clubhouse need to be replaced. Give the welcome center a call if you have any color ideas.

For our Canadian and Alaskan friends, please be safe heading home. We look forward to seeing you this Fall.

Larry and Reggie advised the BOD renewed their contract for another year.

DO NOT PICK THE FRUIT ON OTHER MEMBERS' LOTS. REMEMBER TO GET THE WEEDS ON YOUR LOTS SPRAYED OR PULLED.

DO NOT GO INTO THE TRASH AREA WHEN THE TRUCK PICKS UP THE GARBAGE BINS. DANGER....DANGER.....DANGER

Name tag ticket drawing winners: Sue Hoover, Terri Block, Margaret Arendes.

Doggie Digs



Meet Mr. Micky (on left) and Miss Molly (on right).

Carol and Dennis Bradshaw are the proud owners of these two

English Springer Spaniels.

Molly loves to catch the Frisbee and Micky chases any kind of ball. Dennis says "Molly is a bird dog, and Micky is a lap dog".

Molly is 7 years old and Micky is 5 years old.



Cat Box for Kitties

This beautiful feline is Miss Ali-Howe. She is part Russian Blue. Ali was a rescue from the SPCA. Colleen Hawkins is a big



supporter of the SPCA and has volunteered for quite some time.

Chris Hawkins built Ali this outdoor arena for her fun and games. She jumps out the window and into her playground. Ali is not a snuggler but sure loves a good brushing. She was named for



Muhammad Ali and Gordy Howe.



2023 Sunscape RV Resort Summer Welcome Center Hours

MONDAY-WEDNESDAY-FRIDAY 9AM — 12:30PM

CLOSED TUESDAY-THURSDAY- SATURDAY & SUNDAY



Have you spent a few seasons at Sunscape?

By JoAnn Bloemendaal

Great! You are just the person we are looking for!

The Communication committee is gathering stories and information for an updated version of Sunscape's history. A fascinating account of Sunscape's history was published in January 2010 by former resident Millie Boone. It included how the park was started from the purchase of the land, the early years of ownership, how the park was incorporated, and when turned over to the shareholders.

Many changes have occurred since this history was published. We've built pickleball courts, new shuffleboard courts, and created a dog park. But many more fun events and activities have taken place. There's some good stories out there and we need you to write it down and submit it for the history book. Remember that interesting question at the Nearly Newlywed Game or how the Park Party Golf Cart races were really races? We know you have stories and we would like to hear them. Please submit to wowpegasus@hotmail.com.

We also need help with writing a history of the Emergency Response Committee, the Ambassador Committee, the history of the solar powered street lights...you name it we want to hear about it. Let's make this history book informative, complete, and most of all interesting.

Volunteering.....continued from page 4

You might be asking how this is possible. Admittedly, we may not have all the amenities that some parks offer, but the major reason the annual assessment is much less is because we are organized as a not-for-profit 55 and over retirement community.

The second reason is the large number of volunteers that help maintain the park. Many committees work on behalf of the park, from the Ambassadors Committee, who welcome new members/renters, to the Long Range Planning Committee. Volunteers work in the library. Sunscapers organize activities from weekly hikes, to bingo and special events that provide entertainment and activities important to senior living. The reclamation crew salvages scrap iron. Co-op members contribute, and others prepare aluminum cans for recycling. Members maintain gardens and the dog park. Volunteers work at the annual rummage sale. Sunscape is truly fortunate to have people helping maintain the community.

Because of the large number of volunteers, Sunscape operates with minimal paid staff. If not for volunteers, our costs would go up because we would need to hire staff to provide these services. The next time you see someone volunteering in the park, thank them for their service. All of us benefit from the volunteers.

For those of you who have not stepped up, there are many additional opportunities for you to demonstrate your commitment to Sunscape. Check with any member of the Board of Directors or with Larry and Reggie. We need your assistance and all of us will benefit from your volunteering.



We are thankful for you

By Bev Taylor

As we all change/evolve, time to clarify and rename the Sunscape Quilters group.

We are changing our name to Sew-ers / Quilters to expand our group and make better use of the Craft room. So, it is our hope to encourage any interested people who want to sew (or quilt), or do hand work to join us in the craft room. Bring your own sewing or hand craft projects or help with donation quilts. We do have a few sewing machines for use in the craft room if you need one.

The Craft room is reserved for us: Tuesdays from 9 am to 3:30 pm, Wednesdays from noon to 3:30 pm and Thursdays from 9 am to 3:30 pm.

Please stop in and see what we are all working on. We love people to visit. If you have questions, need sewing help, or mentoring, stop in. Contacts are Bev Taylor or Nancy Thomas.

We would like to express our gratefulness to EVERYONE at Sunscape for your generosity and helpfulness in our 'mission'.

- Thankfulness for monetary support, especially the Jammers.
- Thankful for donations of fabrics, scraps, and sheets.
- 2 Thankful to the MANY who have stepped up to create quilt tops.
- 2 Thankful to our long arm quilters, Nancy Thomas and Jan Ginn.

We will be selling tickets for the Opportunity Quilt until March 17. The drawing for the winning ticket will be in the afternoon, around the time of the Potato Bar event.

Proceeds from the ticket sales keep us afloat financially. We receive no funding from Sunscape RV Park.



A lot of love and good music by our own Senior Moments Band









Good wholesome movies are shown on select Friday nights. Look to the Weekly Activity Sheet for dates, times and movie titles.

Bring your popcorn and your favorite beverage.



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 the various departments, please refer to page 2 of this publication for their email addresses.

New Lot Owners – February 2023

Lot #	Name	Date
33	Mark & Susan Minegar	2/27
58	Tim & Terri Ham	2/27
157	Steve & Debra Donner	2/27
300	Tony & Mary Hoglo	2/20
301	Tony & Mary Hoglo	2/24
304	Linda Christofferson	2/22
417	Tom Scheffert	2/17
481	Tom & Debbie Graham	2/04
518	Steven & Belva Skinner	2/01
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