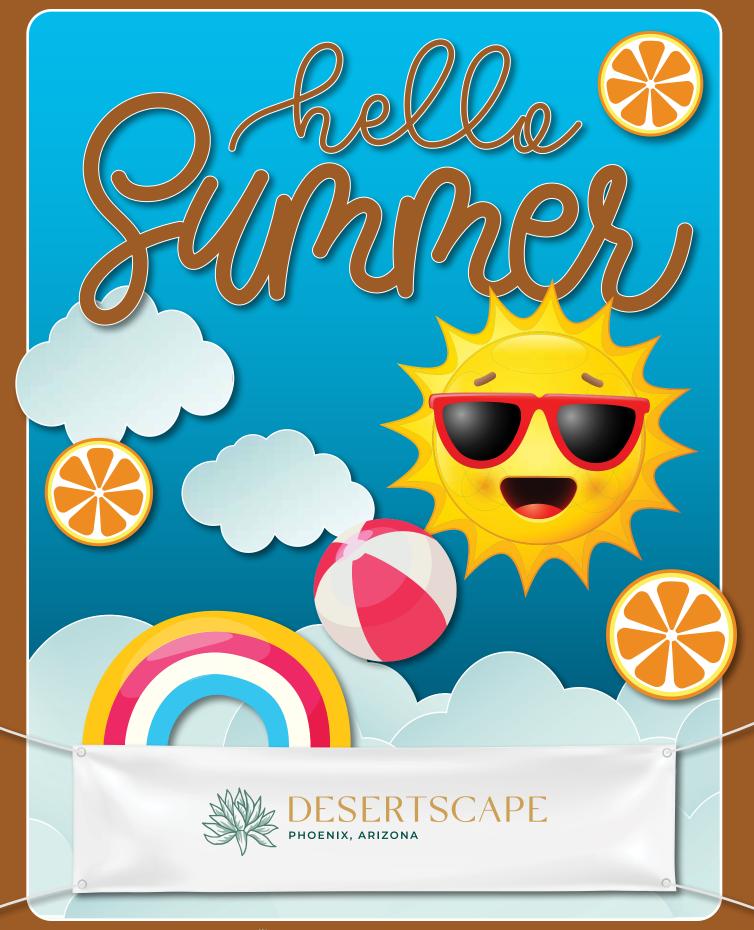
JUNE 2025 NEWSLETTER





FROM THE DESK OF Peter Nguyen, Besertscape Park Manager



Hello Everyone

I cannot believe we are already halfway into the year. With the summer just upon us, now is a great time to remind everyone to try to avoid the heat as much as possible. If something needs to be done outdoors, it is highly recommended to do it early in the morning. Always remember to take occasional breaks and stay hydrated.

Even though summer is here, the fun doesn't stop at Desertscape. We have more events planned and even more to come. We love to see as many of the residents participate as much as possible. Breakfast in the park is going strong, and the residents are loving the way we are running things. If you have not gotten a chance to come try it, I highly recommend it.

I know the construction has been longer than expected but I can see the light at the end of the tunnel. Soon everything will be back up and running and our event will get bigger and more fun. I am planning on doing some big and exciting events in collaboration with other Cobblestone communities. My goal is to see if we can visit other communities and have a fun event. A few things that come to mind are Bocce Ball tournaments against other communities, or pool parties. If you think of any ideas that might work, please feel free to share them with me. I am always open to suggestions and feedback. With that being said, I hope you all have a fantastic June.

Respectfully, Peter Nguyen

Desertscape Community Manager

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A MESSAGE FROM DESERTSCAPE'S ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT, Patrick McCombs



June is finally here! And with June, so comes the heat. It's not real hot yet, but by mid-June you wonder how it could still be called spring. Spring is supposed to be mild weather, spring showers, pretty flowers. Not burn your feet on the sidewalk heat.

June is really the start of the summer slowdown, the winter visitors have mostly gone, people going to visit relatives while the

grandkids and great grandkids are out of school. I'd like to spend some time at the beach this summer, but alas, I don't see that happening. There is always the pool. Yes, it should finally be open. Not much happening this month other than the usual. It'll be hot for the next few months, but June is when our bodies get accustomed to the heat and get prepared for the Summer from Hell. But we will still be planning things to do, activities to attend, and dinners to eat.

So, what do you have planned for the summer? Anything fun? If you are going someplace cool, post your photos on Facebook so we can live in the cool vicariously with you. A secluded restaurant in Oak Creek, a mountain cabin in Eager, a motor home camp in Ouray, Colorado, camping the beaches of Oregon. I feel cooler just thinking about those places. So, think cool thoughts and stay hydrated.





Cowboy Beans, by Deb Recheck

- Brown 2 lbs. hamburger, drain any grease off, add 1 package diced ham (approx. 1 1/2 cups), add about 6 slices bacon (cut in small pieces), 3 tablespoons minced onions and 1 tablespoon garlic powder. Cook all together until bacon is fully cooked.
- 2. In large crockpot... 2 large cans of bush baked beans, original flavor, 1/2 cup of molasses, 1/2 cup brown sugar and 1 regular size pinto beans. Add hamburger mixture and stir well. Cook on low for 4 to 5 hours.
- 3. You can add more molasses and brown sugar to taste.
- 4. Enjoy.





ACTIVITY DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE by Gail Parazell

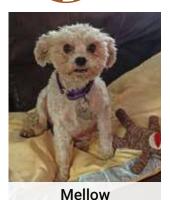


June is upon us, WOW here comes summer. Are you ready? Things will be slowing down as the heat goes up. Our winter guests have all headed back home. Guess they just can't take that good old Arizona heat. So here we are left to bear the heat ourselves, as the heat increases some of our activities will take a break. Be sure to check with each

activity contact to see if they are available or taking a break. With fingers crossed the pool will be available for COOL refreshing dip. Again, be sure to check with each activity to see which one has taken a break and what ones are still available. This is short and sweet so just remember to take care of yourself and to stay hydrated. Did you know that June brings the longest days so get lots of rest, take care of yourself and be kind to one another. If you have any questions or suggestions, please feel free to contact me. I'm always open to new exciting adventurous ideas!

Gail Brazell
Activities Director
Gailbrazell61@yahoo.com

Fune Pet of the Month



By Jonathan Cole

"Hi. My name is Mellow. I'm a 13-pound 6-year-old miniature poodle. My servant J.C. rescued me from Maricopa Co.'s shelter on 2/28/25. I think I kinda saved him at the same time. I like premium dry food (that's what the shelter said), Beggin' Strips and as many long walks a day as I can get. Hope I meet everyone soon.

Fune Resident of the Month

Bill and Nancy



Known as the "Dog Whisperer" when Bill always had dog treats to hand out to the pups in the park. Bill is the guy we want as a neighbor due to his kindness

and willingness to pitch in when help is needed. Bill has earned the respect of this community and we're awfully glad that he and his wife Nancy are among the old school of this park. Thank you, Bill, for your kindness and for getting all those poker players out of the house for a few hours each Saturday.





WOMEN'S CLUB PRESIDENT (frem Kramer



The Desertscape Women's Club had a Pasta Night on Saturday May 10th. From 6:30pm until we closed the doors. A large turnout of 30 people attended, and good food, music and laughter was had by all. Menu -spaghetti & meatballs, lasagna, baked spaghetti with chicken, garlic bread, and a large green salad. The dessert was

sherbert ice cream. In the upcoming months the Women's Club is planning on an Ice Cream Social, which we are hoping to get the Garden Guys to come and speak about plants. We are looking at a Saturday or Sunday afternoon in either June or July, Watch for upcoming details.

Sheri Kramer Women's Club President

Fune Home of the Month

Congratulations to David Manley at lot C92 for having a well-maintained home. Please remember to remind the office of your win.



Desertscape June Prirthdays



June 1st	Michael Dowodzenka
	Dora Shatto
	Caren (with a "C") Bailis
	Brad Filyah
	Nellie Celaya
	Bobbi Williams
June 12th	Mark Grieve
June 12th	Laura Miller
June 13th	Shannon Clark
June 15th	Donna Spearman
June 17th	Ben Myers
	Diane Huertas
	Isabel Leyva
	Michael Garrett
	Elliott Whatley
	Jill Nelson
	Dave Lindenmuth
June 27th	Mike Proto

Do you have a neighbor that could be recognized as the Resident of the Month? How about that dog or cat that you see all the time and want it to be recognized also? We are looking for you to be part of your newsletter and we would like to continue these two sections. However, if we can't get nominations we may replace the sections with something else.



FREE SIX HEAD SOLAR LIGHTS

We still have numerous FREE solar lights for all residents. Lights are to be used on your property.

Let us know if you need help with installation.

To request installation, please send your name, lot# and contact info to this email only:

dscassociation@vahoo.com



GOOD TIMES at Desertscape

Happy times come and go, but the memories stay forever. Enjoy our collection of photos featuring Desertscape events and residents!

TACO NIGHT



Sheri flipping corn tortillas as Patrick is thirsty!

EASTER DINNER



Just look at that spread!



Sue Acker makes the best drinks and what a huge help in the kitchen on taco night.





Thank Goodness for our wonderful volunteers



All that ham and fixin's



Hello Deb and Don!



Hi to the Ackers!



Nice looking crowd for the Easter Dinner.

WOMEN'S CLUB SPAGHETTI DINNER







BINGO is closed for the summer and will be back in early fall. We hope to see many NEW faces to come out and have some fun.

Breakfast in the Park is Saturday June 7th at 8:30 to 9:30am. Stop on by for a great breakfast before you start your day. The menu is all ala carte, so you only pay for what you like to eat. Come check it out.

Beat the Heat with an ice cream open house at one of the new homes on June 7th from 11am-1pm

Happy Hour on Friday June 13th and June 27th at 4pm. An informal get-together on the patio or in the library if it is too hot. Bring your choice of beverage and a snack to share if you would like to.

Movie nights are June 3rd and June 17th. Move starts at 6pm in the card room. Popcorn provided. Bring your choice of beverage.

The Desertscape Women's Club meets twice a month; meetings are June 4th and June 18th at 11am in the clubhouse. All women are welcome to come join us.

Come join us for the June Birthday Bash June 10th at 5:30pm at Bobby Q'S located at 8501 N 27th Avenue, Phoenix. It doesn't have to be your birthday to join in on the get together.

The Association Meeting for June will take place on Friday June 20th during coffee and donuts. See you all there!

Comedy Dinner Show is on June 21st at 6pm in the clubhouse. More information to come.

Events located on the Patio may be moved to the Library/Game Room due to weather.

KENTUCKY DERBY FUN



What beautiful hats, Caren, Joan, Jill, Tony, Judy, Sheri and Marilyn!



Judy (hat) and Tony (tie) were the winners!





MESSAGE FROM DESERTSCAPE'S SALES ASSOCIATE, Twila Dawson



Beat the Heat with an ice cream open house at one of my new homes on June 7th from 11am to 1pm.

Summer is finally here, and what better way to celebrate the season than by finding a perfect home! I still have 4 brand new homes, including a charming 2-bedroom, 1-bath house and 3 cozy tiny homes, all waiting for you to make them your own.

Our New Homes:

- 1 Gorgeous 2-Bedroom, 1-Bath Home Perfect for those seeking a comfortable and spacious living space.
- 3 Adorable Tiny Homes Ideal for minimalist living or those who want a compact, yet cozy, space.

In addition to my new homes, I also have some nice pre-owned homes for sale.

Recent Sale Success

We're also thrilled to announce that one of our new homes has sold in April and will be closing this June. The buzz is real, and these homes are in high demand—so don't miss out.

Special Summer Offer

Buy now and get FREE space rent!

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It's the perfect time to take advantage of this limited time offer before the summer rush. Whether you're downsizing or looking for a fresh start, these homes won't last long. Ready to Make Your Move or know someone that is? Give me a call to schedule a tour and learn more about these amazing homes. I'm here to help you every step of the way! Remember if you bring me a buyer for a new home you will receive \$2500.

Twila Dawson Resort Home Specialist O-602-943-5833 M-308-520-6132 TDawson@cobblestoneassets.com

Heat Exhaustion

Heat Stroke

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- Loosen clothing
- Sip cool water
- Seek medical help if symptoms don't improve

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Thirst

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Nausea

Weakness

Confusion

Dizziness

Becomes Unconscious **ACT FAST**

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- Cool with water or ice

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Heat exhaustion can lead to heat stroke.

Stay Cool, Stay Hydrated, Stay Informed!





THE GARDEN GUYS, brought to you by your neighbors. Michael and Dan at C-111



June - and as the temperature just keeps climbing, we all seem to be getting our gardens ready to withstand the upcoming hotter days of summer. While some plants suffer from the Phoenix heat, others are able to deal with it

better. One good example is the "Asparagus Fern" which comes in many varieties. An excellent container plant, it grows well both in part shade or sun and is a welcome addition to any garden or patio area.

There are over 150 varieties of asparagus besides the edible one. All are members of the "Lily" family. This plant, which is not a true fern, is valued mostly for great, deep green foliage that is of an unusually textured quality. Some species have small but fragrant flowers and colorful berries. Green foliage sprays are made up of what look like leaves. Most asparagus ferns look greenest in partial shade but can thrive in full sun if given enough water. The leaves can yellow in dense shade. Here are some varieties that grow well in Phoenix:

The "Sprenger Asparagus" (also known as "Sprengeri") has arching, drooping stems 3 to 6 foot long. Bright green middle-like leaves that are 1-long show everywhere in bundles with white flowers followed by bright-red berries. This plant grows best in pots, containers or hanging baskets. We have had this variety growing in a western exposure here at Desertscape for over 5 years with great results. The potted asparagus were watered daily throughout the summer.

"Asparagus Densiflorus" is a species that is less commonly grown. Also known as the "Foxtail Fern" it has stiff, upright stems that grow up to 2-foot in height which resemble the tail of a fox. Densely clothed with needlelike green leaves, this plant has a fluffy look. The Foxtail Fern can form a 3-to-4-foot clump and grows well in pots and containers.

"Asparagus Falcatus" has leaves that resemble those of some types of "yews", but the leaves can be longer or broader. Also called "Sickle Thorn Asparagus", this variety has leaves 2 to 3 inches long in clusters of 3 to 5 at the ends of the branches. Tiny white fragrant flowers in loose clusters are followed by brown berries. This plant gets its name from the curved thorns along its stems in which it uses to climb rapidly to 10 foot or more in our area. The Sickle Thorn Asparagus" can create an excellent foliage mass that can cover fences, walls or provide shade for a pergola or lathe house.

"Asparagus Asparagoides" also known as the "Smilax Asparagus" is a multi-branched vine with spineless stems that can grow up to 20-foot or more. Leaves grow to 1-inch long and are sharp, pointed and a glossy grass-green. Small, fragrant white blooms arrive in Spring, followed by blue berries that the birds will feed on. The birds will drop seed that will sprout at random throughout your garden. This plant also self-sows readily. The roots are clusters of fleshy thongs and will survive throughout drought and can re-sprout when the rain comes. This plant can become a tangled mass unless pruned properly. When taken care of, this plant can become the "star" of your garden or patio area.

All asparagus ferns grow best in Phoenix when planted in containers. Use a well-drained potting soil with ground bark or mushroom compost. Because of the plants' fleshy roots, we water these plants daily. Feed your asparagus in spring and early summer with any fertilizer high in nitrogen. Asparagus ferns need at least 6 hours of sun per day as the leaves can yellow in dense shade. Trim out the old shoots to make room for new growth. This is a very hearty plant, easy to grow, that does not need a lot of attention. Stunning to look at when sitting on a pedestal with its fronds trailing everywhere.

Give this plant a try - you won't regret it.

Happy Gardening!

Michael and Dan C-111

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Thank you so much, Carol Sparks B162

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RESOURCES:

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Peter - desertscape@cobblestoneassets.com

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- * Housing and Homeless Assistance

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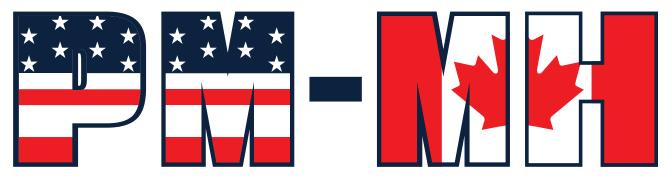
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Friday	6 9a Coffee & Donuts 6p Karaoke	9a Coffee & Donuts 1p Bunco 4p Happy Hour 6p Karaoke	20 9a Coffee & Donuts with Association Meeting 6p Karaoke	27 9a Coffee & Donuts 4p Happy Hour 6p Karaoke	
Thursday	5 11a Bible Study	12 11a Bible Study	19 11a Bible Study	26 11a Bible Study	
Wednesday	4 8:30a Men's Breakfast 11a Women's Club 6p Mexican Train	11 8:30a Men's Breakfast 6p Mexican Train	18 8:30a Men's Breakfast 11a Women's Club 6p Mexican Train	25 8:30a Men's Breakfast 6p Mexican Train	
Tuesday	3 11a Craft Corner 12-4p Billiards 6p Movie Night	10 11a Craft Corner 12-4p Billiards 5:30p Birthday Bash At Bobby Q's	17 11a Craft Corner 12-4p Billiards 6p Movie Night	24 11a Craft Corner 12-4p Billiards	
Monday	2 6p Hand & Foot	6p Hand & Foot	16 6p Hand & Foot	23 6p Hand & Foot	30 6p Hand & Foot
Sunday	6p Marbles & Jokers	6p Marbles & Jokers	15 6p Marbles & Jokers	22 6p Marbles & Jokers	6p Marbles & Jokers

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