

**Rancho Mirage Community Association**  
**The year in Review, 2021**

As we wind down the last days of December, we at the RMCA wanted to thank you, the residents of Magnesia Falls Cove and White Sun Neighborhoods, for your support and donations. We are excited about the new version of the RMCA and look forward to meeting you at one of our events or meetings.

It has been an interesting and encouraging year for us as we began last spring to reorganize our non-profit, build a new Board of Directors and imagine a new mission statement that put community building and education at the center of our efforts. We held our Annual Meeting and Election in October and are grateful that several of our neighbors stepped up to volunteer their talent, time and energy to the new RMCA board. No longer a HOA, membership and the payment of donations to the RMCA is voluntary.

Our idea is to promote the general common good and build neighborhood connections through activities, information and advocacy. We use our community spaces, parks and trails to foster social connection and engagement. We want to explore and learn about our natural environment, to get out and move our bodies and maybe find others who have similar interests.

In April we helped collect food donations from our neighborhood to donate to the FIND Food Bank and we'd like to organize that event again next year. In November, we hosted a great hike in Palm Canyon and Andreas Canyon led by a College of the Desert Natural Resources Professor. A few weeks later, a small group of RMCA members, led by a Bighorn Institute Biologist, hiked into the nearby canyons in search of the elusive Peninsular Bighorn Sheep.

Our Modernism Committee, led by Anne Winchester has been working long hours for nearly two years on the Modernism Tours in Magnesia Falls Cove. This day long tour of seven Magnesia Falls Cove mid-century homes is coming up in February 2022, and has just sold out the 400 available tour tickets. We have docent/volunteer opportunities available so email us if you are interested.

We redesigned our website over the summer and are updating it weekly to bring you information and new events. You can register to be a member and make a donation using our website. If you would like us to mail you the membership form we can do that as well. Our new website also includes a deep dive into some of the history of our neighborhoods and a look back at the decades of accomplishments thanks to the work of previous boards and RMCA members.

We worked to provide timely information on the proposed rezoning and subsequent City of Rancho Mirage approval of the Porcupine Creek Resort. We will continue to monitor any issues that arise in our neighborhood as a result of our neighborhood streets being used as the entrance/exit into a commercial property. The RMCA Porcupine Creek Committee will continue to be in contact with the new resort representatives as well as the City Council, who accepted \$100,000 from Porcupine Creek specifically to address issues in Magnesia Falls Cove.

We are organizing the Second Annual Magnesia Falls Cove Yard Sale, which is scheduled for sometime in April 2022. We also spend considerable time keeping our neighborhood database up-to-date. If you have a new neighbor, please give them our email address and/or website address so we can let them know what we have to offer and answer any questions they might have for us.

We have planned three RMCA member meetings in 2022, and are looking forward to your input and feedback. There will be a meeting in April, September and October. The specific dates and locations have not yet been determined.

In January, we begin again with our annual RMCA donation drive and you will be receiving a mailing asking for your support in the form of a donation. Our goal for 2022 is to get to 200 member households. Let your neighbors know about us, they can find all the information at our website. We hope you will find an event that appeals to you and of course, we would love to hear your ideas via our email address: [info@RMCAnews.org](mailto:info@RMCAnews.org).

We wish all our neighbors a Happy and Healthy New Year!

**RMCA Board:** Deborah Lazio (President), Marie Scinto (Vice-president), Susan Shapiro (Treasurer), Karen Quimby Lobo (Secretary), Carol Johnson (Director)