August 5, 2020

Hello Las Senoras Ladies,

It certainly has been hot here! Some of you like myself have been staying put and putting up with this heat. Ugh! I believe Phoenix had its first 100-degree temp May 2nd and Wickenburg was not far behind. For those who were able to get away, good for you! The rest of us are anxious for the cooler weather to arrive. We have not even had the monsoons yet. We certainly need the rain so that our desert can bloom.

Speaking of bloom…be sure to put our Cactus Garden Tour on your calendar, November 7, 2020. Tickets are now on sale and we are asking to members to buy tickets early! This will be our main fundraiser for this fall! Please, tell your friends. It’s going to be a Fantastic Outdoor Event! Please see Betty Watt’s report in this newsletter.

Just so you all know; Jennifer and Dan Finley have been working hard on updating our Bylaws and they will be available soon for your consideration.

To all of you who completed the survey, thank you. This is your organization and we do value your input. As this year moves forward, we hope to put many of your ideas into action.

Just a reminder that we have some beautiful raffle items displayed at Ranch Dressing and a lovely basket displayed inside the Museum. If you have not purchased your raffle tickets yet, please do. They are available for purchase at Ranch Dressing. Tickets are 1 for $5.00 or 3 for $10.00. Even if these items are not to your liking, they would make wonderful gifts.

Your board members have been doing their best to keep up by doing Zoom meetings. This has been a learning curve for many of us, but it does seem to be the way things will be for now. We do look forward to when we can meet in person.

I would like to end with a special Thank You to Linda Wooley for her years of service keeping track with our membership. Also, thank you Jackie Brown for stepping up to help Linda with correspondence to our new members.

In Friendship and Service Deb Poteet, President
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As we hope you already know, Las Senoras is hosting a Cactus Garden Tour of residential gardens in the Wickenburg area in lieu of the traditional home tour. This is our 40th year of home tours and our organization, like so many others, had to think out of the box! A cactus garden tour was the answer! The “open air” tour will showcase cactus gardens and landscape design of homes located in Rancho de los Caballeros, Wickenburg Country Club Acres and Wickenburg Ranch!

**Date**: Saturday, November 7, 2020  
**Time**: 9 am - 4 pm  
**Cost**: Tickets are $25 each and now on sale! Please support our efforts to raise funds for The Desert Caballeros Western Museum by purchasing tickets early on our website at www.lassenoras.org  
**Will Call**: Tickets and maps will be picked up at the Wickenburg Community Center at 160 N. Valentine Street on the day of the event. Doors open at 8:00 am.
The Wickenburg Art Club will be hosting a Holiday Market at the community center throughout the day on November 7th. For more information go to www.wickenburgartclub.org.

“The Tour will be enjoyed by the avid or the amateur gardener alike. Each home highlights something unique and different. We hope each person will come away with ideas and inspiration to create an oasis in their own backyard,” said Betty Watt, Board Member and Organizer of this year’s event. “We will have local Master Gardener’s and local landscaping design representative on hand to answer questions along the way. It’s a great opportunity to learn what plants thrive in the Arizona Desert and explore outstanding creative spaces and gain fun landscaping tips,” Betty added.

The Tour will include a lively garden bazaar appropriately entitled “Everything Cactus! Located in one of the gardens, you will have the opportunity to buy fun garden décor, gifts and live cactus and succulents. In addition, The Curious Shallot food truck will be located at one of the properties for a quick bite to eat.

Social Distancing will be adhered to for the event. Please check the Las Senoras website for timely updates. LasSenoras.org.
Don’t Fence Me In!
**October Luncheon Postponed**

WHOA! We have all had quite a year so far, haven’t we? It’s just not in our DNA to be confined. Regardless, we all understand the serious nature of this virus. Our hearts and prayers go out to our world, our nation, our state and our beloved Wickenburg community. As your board, we think of our Las Sonoras members often and we wish you all well as we navigate this challenging time. Naturally, the current pandemic has caused us to reconsider how we gather. Although our Cactus Garden Tour is “open air” and conducive to social distancing, we know luncheons cannot provide the safe spacing needed at this time. Therefore they are postponed until further notice. We are confident that “this too shall pass” and we have fun plans for future luncheons and lectures!