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**Ranchers'**



# **RoundUp**

The Official Publication of the Dobson Ranch Homeowners Association



**Summer of Fun for Everyone!**

Ice Cream Social

Photo Contest Winners

Livin' & Lovin' Life at the Lakes

and more...



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Our **Ice Cream Social** event was a cool (and creamy) treat on a hot Summer's day.

Our "melt your heart" cover photo was sent in by **Neil Ernst** for our "Summer Fun on the Ranch" Photo Contest. Somehow his daughter **Allison** managed to get more ice cream on her than in her.

Neil's cover photo was selected as "**Editor's Choice**" in the competition.

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## Message From the Association President



**By Ron Ricci**  
Association President

August is upon us and I hope you are surviving the warm and humid monsoon season weather. In case you don't have a pool in your back yard, we are fortunate to have our pools available to all residents and their guests for a cool, refreshing break from the arid Arizona heat.

Another fun-filled and successful **Dobson Ranch Summer Camp** season has ended and the kids are back in school. A big "thank you" goes out to our entire Recreation Department Team for their drive, dedication and abundance of creativity. It takes a herculean effort to keep our children interested and involved and offer a great camp experience every Summer.

The **Lake Habitat Committee** is dedicated to improving our lakes. They had oversight on the Lake 8 aeration. The Committee is now developing a plan to improve the lakes over the next several years.

Our DRAC, **Dobson Ranch Architectural Committee**, is meeting regularly. The meetings are listed on our website and on the back page of this publication. Our **Master Planning Committee** is experiencing an increase in resident attendance. The change of time helped, and the committee will make an assessment as to the meeting day and time going forward.

Your Board encourages you to attend committee meetings. Attendance at the committee meetings will give a resident the opportunity to hear in-depth information about upcoming projects and improvements to their community.

To all the golfers out there -- be sure to sign up for the **15th Annual Dobson Ranch Golf Tournament** to be held on September 21, 2019. Sign-up is at our La Casita Recreation Center. Check in is at 6:30 am with a shotgun tee time of 7:00 am. The tournament is held at Dobson Ranch Golf Course which is owned by the City of Mesa. This tournament continues to be a fun and challenging event for area golfers and residents. Participation is high, so sign up early to reserve your spot or your foursome's spot.

It's never too soon to start planning for our **October Community Clean Up** event on October 12. Look around your home for garage sale items you no longer want or need, box up your documents to shred, and, remember, you can even get rid of larger trash items. It's a convenient way to clean up your home without ever leaving the Ranch!

Your Board of Directors and I are looking forward to continuing to serve all of you by keeping the Ranch **The Best Place to Live!**

## Manager's Message



**By Lynelle Glysson**  
Community Manager

The Marketing Committee has been working with **Nancy Roggio**, our Communications Manager, to get a new and updated website up and running. In the meanwhile, we have been working on the current website to make it more user-friendly as it pertains to the downloading of documents. By the end of this month, we will have uploaded all of the CCRs that are within Dobson Ranch in a downloadable format. The main map will show which subdivision your lot is located within. You can then go to the link for your subdivision and download the Plat Map and CCRs that are for your subdivision. Although most CCRs are similar, there are a few variances with some. For example, some allow 3-car garages and others only allow 2-car garages.

The Compliance Team has become familiar with the differences and will only issue violations that pertain to the individual subdivisions. This, along with the enforcement of the Guidelines, will be how the Association will maintain the aesthetic appearance of the Ranch. The CCRs, created by the developers of the subdivisions, and the Guidelines, developed by an advisory committee to the developer-controlled board in 1976, are designed to keep the aesthetic quality of Dobson Ranch. They were never meant to be restrictive, only to maintain a uniform aesthetic appearance which, in turn, maintains property values.

We are looking forward to seeing what things the Marketing Committee and Nancy come up with in the next few months with a new, improved and more functional website. They will be looking for a more user-friendly website on the front and back end, a more refined appearance and will highlight all the ways Dobson Ranch is **The Best Place to Live!**

**AMY SAILORS**  
CRIME PREVENTION OFFICER, MESA PD

**WHEN:** Monday, August 26, 2019  
**TIME:** 7:00 pm  
**WHERE:** La Casita Grande Room  
2719 S. Reyes

**DON'T MISS IT!**

The Dobson Association, Inc.  
Board of Director's Open Session Meeting  
La Casita Recreation Center, Grande Room, 2719 S. Reyes  
Thursday, August 15, 2019 • 7:00 pm



## Water Awareness

By **Craig A. Wilson**  
Water Resources Manager



### Hungry Bears

I took a short, i.e., not long enough, vacation this Summer, a 7-day cruise to Southeast Alaska. What a beautiful experience! The local weather

broadcasters, however, could only talk about the drought they are experiencing. Apparently, Southeast Alaska is coming up short of their annual rainfall total of 160 inches. A drought in Ketchikan, Alaska really means something; not just brown grass. A drought means the streams stop flowing and where salmon is king, still waters mean hungry bears.

We, too, are facing drought conditions. This year happens to be a little less severe than last year. That could all change with one more or one less storm, though. The pattern of storms controls how much rain we receive. Some years there are only six storms that yield any rain, not to mention the run-off that fills our lakes or fills the nearby rivers. Sometimes there are only four storms. It's the number of storms that determines the accumulation of rain we receive each year.



Our response to drought conditions has, for the most part, been voluntary. We have reduced the amount of turf around our home, used more desert landscaping, used the community pools, driven dirty cars (*last resort!*) and done all those other things that reduces the demand on City water. The Ranch also has a drought plan modeled after the **City of Mesa Drought Management Plan**. Should we reach that point where coordinated and Valley-wide steps are needed, we will be told what to do. Lake Roosevelt, however, is in good condition, so it is unlikely any drought declarations will be made this year.



A drought management plan is different from the **Drought Contingency Plan** that was so much a part of the news last year. The DCP has to do with maintaining an adequate pool of water in

Lake Mead to keep water flowing down the Colorado River and into the CAP Canal. Steps to maintain a flow of water in the CAP Canal may take drastic measures; measures that may still our streams and make our bears hungry.

## Message From the Editor

By **Nancy Roggio**  
Communications Manager



Our July **Ranchers' RoundUp** garnered another round of great reviews like this one from **Manelle Williamson**: "Just finished reading the July RoundUp and think you have it sizzling! It was really great, especially the cover photo. And the new section, "Movers and Shakers"... WOW! What a fun section and a great way for neighbors to get to know each other. Wonderful idea!"

Of course, I enjoy all of the great reviews and the many suggestions I receive for future issues of **RoundUp**, but I especially enjoy seeing our residents and staff members picking up the magazine and reading it as soon as it is delivered. That's what makes it all worthwhile.

I also want to thank all of our resident photographers for submitting their entries in our **"Summer Fun on the Ranch" Photo Contest**.

Picking just three winners from among the many photos we received (35 in all) wasn't easy, but the three prize-winning photos and a Runner-Up are shown on page 7.

All photos submitted in the contest were also posted on our **Facebook** page for everyone to enjoy.

And, speaking of **Facebook**, why not keep up-to-date on what's happening daily on the Ranch by following our **Facebook** page ([facebook.com/DobsonRanchHOA](https://facebook.com/DobsonRanchHOA)). Be sure to "Like" our page to automatically see new posts. You'll find details of upcoming events, highlights and photos from past events on the Ranch and in Mesa, special offers, and more.



**Remember... communication is a two-way street. We'd like to connect with you no matter what direction you're headed.**

Send your reviews, comments, and suggestions for future issues to [nroggio@dobsonranch.com](mailto:nroggio@dobsonranch.com).





## Investing In One of Our Best Amenities... by Brian Lynam

**Fish Habitat** comes in all forms, from coral reef in the oceans to a fallen tree limb in a lake. Fish need structure, just as we need houses for protection. If we drained our lakes here at Dobson Ranch, it would look like Death Valley with the casual chair or table that was blown in from a storm. Adding Fish Habitat to our lakes has many benefits to fish and water quality. It acts as a filter system for the water. It provides a barricade to protect little fish from being eaten by the larger fish. It is used as an ambush point for large fish, to provide a more predictable place to find food. And, this benefit starts from the moment after a fish hatches from its egg.

Some of my best fish were caught in natural habitat, like reeds or cattails at other lakes. That is why, as we move toward adding habitat into our lakes, I'll be proposing an artificial grass made from polyester strapping. The reason it will be artificial is that natural lake weeds can get out of control and cause an eyesore and maintenance problem for the lakes. How my proposed artificial grass habitats are

made is by gathering a group of strapping and securing it within a concrete block to add weight. The polyester will not bleed in the water and is food safe. Since it's green strapping, it will blend in with the water and algae will gather on it.

The second habitat structure that I am proposing will be made from a 55-gallon polyurethane recycle bin. The bottom will be cut off and strapping will dangle from the inside to simulate plant roots. The outside will be coated with mortar to help weigh it down and add a more organic look to it. These habitats will be placed 30 to 40 feet from the shoreline and can be easily removed, if needed.

I am also proposing to lay down 3/8" pebble near the shorelines for fish spawning beds. This will help preserve our lake bottoms from craters that can be created during the fish spawning process. Pebble will also help with water clarity and help create more zooplankton to replenish the bottom of our lake food chain.

### "It's time for Dobson Ranch to start investing in one of its best amenities!"



*Polyester strapping is secured within concrete block to add weight*



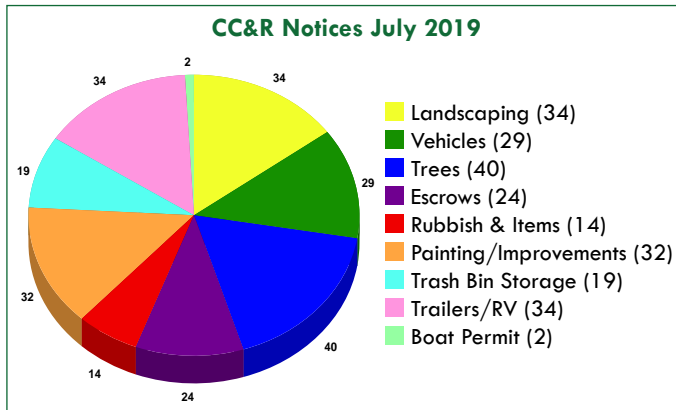
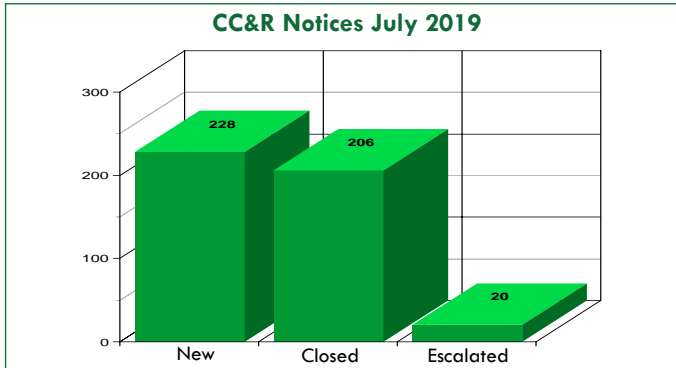
*Strapping dangles from recycle bin to simulate plant roots*

**The Lake Habitat Committee vows to keep our residents informed in future issues of *Ranchers' Round Up* as they tackle the tough issues affecting our lakes today. For more information, please refer to the Dobson Ranch HOA Lake Habitat Committee page on Facebook.**





## CC&R Notices



## Replacement Bricks Now Available



Many residents on the Ranch have a row of brick intermittently along the back of their walls. Some have deteriorated and need replacing. I am pleased to announce **Dennis Melgreen** has found a source for these bricks, and we now have a supply of them for residents to purchase if their walls are in need of repair. Often these types of specialty bricks go out of production and are hard to find. Special orders can be quite costly. In this case, Dennis was able to find a

supplier who is not charging an exorbitant amount of money and the bricks can be purchased in bulk.

We are offering these bricks at cost for \$2.00 each. If you would like to purchase these bricks, please come to the La Casita office to make your purchase. We can then have our staff deliver the bricks to your home.

I encourage anyone with bricks that need replacing to do so soon. This will help with the appearance of the Ranch and the cost of the bricks are sure to go up in the future.

**Lynelle Glysson**  
Community Manager



**By Nancy Roggio**

*Ranchers' RoundUp Editor*

Congrats to the homeowners of **1816 S. Salida del Sol Circle** in Los Altos on winning the **Green Thumb Award** for August. Neighbor **Jack Heideman** nominated this home for our monthly award. When you first drive up to the home, you visually get a "double whammy" with the two meticulously kept semi-circular planting beds. The decorative metal art used in the planting beds and on the exterior of the home adds a touch of whimsy. Plus, using a ladder as a multi-level potted plant holder is a creative stroke of genius.

Taking pride in your property, like these homeowners, is what makes Dobson Ranch... *the best place to live!*



There are many impressive and well-manicured yards in Dobson Ranch that it's hard to pick each month. If you would like your yard or a neighbor's yard featured as a Green Thumb winner, call 480-831-8314 or email [nroggio@dobsonranch.com](mailto:nroggio@dobsonranch.com).



## Landscaping Tips



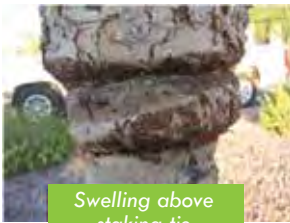
By Arizona Landscape Contractors' Association, the Sustainable Landscape Management (SLM) and the Arizona Certified Landscape Professional (ACLCP) programs [www.ALCA.org](http://www.ALCA.org)

### Tree Staking Essentials



Trees are the cornerstones of our landscapes, and staking can play an essential role in giving them their best start. But all trees don't need staking, and when staking is needed, certain guidelines must be followed to ensure the staking is done correctly to avoid detrimental effects to the tree.

- Upon planting, ALWAYS remove the nursery stake. Nursery stakes are bound too tightly to allow the trunk movement that is necessary for the development of trunk caliper and taper (*thicker trunk at the base*). Good taper and thick caliper translate to stronger, more stable trees.
- Decide whether staking is necessary. The purpose of staking is to provide support for the tree until the roots become established and can anchor the tree in the ground. A multi-trunk or low branching tree may not need staking, as well as larger boxed trees that are not at risk of being blown over. Staking a tree that does not need staking isn't just a waste of time and money; it will slow the development of trunk caliper and taper.
- Two, 2" diameter stakes should be driven into firm ground outside the planting hole and root ball to a depth of 24" and opposite prevailing winds if possible.
- Use proper staking materials that will not dig into the tree trunk. Arbor tape, or plastic-coated guy wire with 5/8" rubber hose to protect the trunk, should be used to secure the tree to the pole. Staple the wire or arbor tape to the pole to prevent slipping.
- Check wires and hoses or arbor tape around trunks to make sure there is plenty of room for the tree to move. If the wire and hose are too tight on the trunk, it can begin girdling the tree, preventing water and nutrient flow that can create a weak spot and can potentially snap off in strong winds, or worse, kill the tree.
- Stakes and tie materials should be checked routinely, and especially after storms or strong winds, to see if adjustments should be made.
- Remember that like using crutches, staking is a temporary aid. Leaving stakes on too long will actually weaken the tree. Stakes should be removed as soon as the tree exhibits stable root establishment, which can be tested by moving the trunk from side to side and checking the soil for movement of the root ball. If the root ball moves, the staking should stay on longer.
- Other ways to test readiness to remove stakes – remove after trunk equals 3/4 the diameter of the lodge pole stake, or after two growing seasons at most have passed. If staking is required after the first year, consider inspecting the tree to see if root defects are present, such as a girdling root, or if irrigation is appropriately placed at the drip line or outside of the original rootball.
- Contact your landscape contractor to perform staking assessments and adjustments, and to properly plant and stake (*if necessary*) your new trees.



Swelling above staking tie after on too long



Wire is beginning to girdle, creating a weak trunk



Allow plenty of room around trunk to allow movement in wind

PROTECT YOUR LANDSCAPE INVESTMENT  
Is your landscaper SLM Certified?



## Homeowner Improvements Architectural Applications July 2019

By Carole Stabile  
Member Services Coordinator

**28 Applications** **\$173,850**

**DOBSON RANCH UNIT 5**  
Solar Panels \$ 19,000

**DOBSON PINES**  
Paint \$ 2,500

**DOBSON SHORES**  
Garage Door \$ 2,300  
Driveway Textured \$ 8,000  
Window Replacement \$ 6,500

**DOBSON RANCH UNIT 1**  
Paint \$ 1,900  
Wood Gate \$ 1,200  
Landscape \$ 700  
Enclose Carport \$ 3,000

**DOBSON RANCH UNIT III**  
Paint \$ 5,000  
Window Replacement \$ 5,000  
Wood Beams \$ 1,000

**LAGUNA SHORES**  
Solar Panels \$ 48,000  
Window Replacement \$ 4,500

**LOS ALTOS**  
Landscape \$ 20,000  
Roof \$ 15,000  
RV Gate \$ 1,500  
Paint \$ 2,450  
Enclose Carport \$ 10,450  
Patio Cover \$ 8,900  
Stucco \$ 2,000

**SARATOGA LAKES**  
Paint \$ 2,700

**DOBSON RANCH UNIT 18**  
Paint \$ 2,000

**BROOKEDGE ESTATES**  
Gazebo \$ 250

## Home Sales

Trustee Properties:  
**3 – Houses**  
Home Sales: **22**







## The Power of Paws-itive Thinking

by Nancy Roggio

**Julie-Rae Steinmeyer** loves talking to and educating people. That positive personality trait helped her thrive in the corporate wellness field for 20 years. However, not too long ago, she decided to go back to school to work towards her master's degree. In one of her classes, her assignment was to do competitive research analysis on a franchise. The franchise chosen for her was **Camp Bow Wow**. That project put Julie on a whole new career path.

As an avid animal lover and advocate, Julie shares her home with six dogs (*all rescues*) and one cat. She loves putting her passion for pooches to good use. In fact, in just one year, Julie found fur-ever homes for 23 foster dogs.

What lured her to become a leader of her own pack with a Camp Bow Wow franchise was that unlike the competitors, no small wire crates were used to board pets and the friendly and inviting doggie day camp atmosphere never looked or felt like a dog pound. Dogs are also separated by size and temperament, making their stay more comfortable and enjoyable. Plus, Camp Bow Wow is the only pet care franchise with all-inclusive pricing, so pet owners do not pay extra for each service a la carte such as administering pet meds.

It has taken just over one year since signing the lease agreement at 2647 W. Baseline Road to building her dream 7,300 sq. ft. doggie day care center. "Once we started the demolition process, we've been spot on with our construction schedule. We planned our soft opening for August 3rd, but the official Grand Opening will be held in September with a 'BARK to School' theme."

When asked how Camp Bow Wow provides a "WOW!" experience to her two-legged clientele, she said, "The homey country log cabin decor wows people as soon as they walk in our door. Plus, it is very comforting for pet parents to know that our Camp Counselors all have CPR certifications and must pass a rigorous Camp Bow Wow training program which includes dog behavior, pet first aid, and CPR following strict policies and procedures. We also provide many other benefits such as regular exercise, socialization with other dogs and people, and a chance to burn off some of that pent-up energy."

Camp Bow Wow offers **Dog Day Care**, **Overnight Boarding**, and **Grooming Services**. By treating your dog to a fun and active day or night at Camp (*complete with a nightly Campfire Treat*), your pup's quality of life is improved in a safe, fun and nurturing environment. A full grooming salon is on site to provide nail trimming (*pawticles*) and bathing services that will leave your pup looking and smelling their best. Additional services include **Dog Training** and **In-Home Pet Care**.

Four-legged friends will share spacious indoor and outdoor play yards and splash pools with other furry campers. The facility boasts four extra-roomy Luxury Suites, complete with a comfy cot and a big screen TV which will feature Netflix movies and Animal Planet shows. In addition, there will be a total of 56 dog cabins in teacup (*small*), large and family (*for more than one dog*) sizes. Pet parents are encouraged to bring in personal items to make their pet as comfortable as possible during their stay and to help reduce separation anxiety.

Her top priority at Camp Bow Wow is safety. "Our Camp Counselors are thoroughly trained, and we have high standards and protocols in place so pets are kept happy and safe. Even the products we use have been tested for one year before use."

She went on to say, "Another added benefit exclusive to Camp Bow Wow is our downloadable app that allows pet owners to keep an eye on their pet from afar using live web cams. They can see their pet interacting with other dogs and feel confident that they are getting the best care possible. Our Camp motto is **Happy Healthy Pets = Happy Healthy People.**"

Community connections are extremely important to Julie. She enjoys educating the community about pet care and pet safety. She's an active member of the Mesa Chamber of Commerce and recently held a well-attended yappy hours "Taste of Mesa" event at her facility in mid-July. She has also been promoting her business by manning booths at several Dobson Ranch special events like the January **Bark in the Park**, **Easter Eggstravaganza**, and **Ice Cream Social**, and she will be there in September for our second **Bark in the Park** event this year.

All that hard work and dedication helped her to meet her pre-opening marketing goal of obtaining 1,000 qualified leads before she even opened her doors. She is looking forward to providing a welcoming and fun environment for Dobson Ranch residents and their beloved pets.



**"Happy Healthy  
Pets =  
Happy Healthy  
People"**







To see all 35 photos entered in our Photo Contest, visit our **Facebook** page.



**THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO ENTERED THEIR PHOTOS IN OUR CONTEST!**

# Photo Contest Winners



**Runner-Up**  
**Kelsey Hurley**  
**\$25 Gift Card**



Our panel of judges narrowed down the 35 entries to select three winners and a Runner-Up.

**Second Prize**  
**Courtney Ruiz**  
**\$75 Gift Card**

**Third Prize**  
**Becky Hasler**  
**\$50 Gift Card**



**First Prize**  
**Jessica St. John**  
**\$100 Gift Card**



## From the Recreation Director's Desk



**By Jesse Wright**  
Associate Director of Recreation

It's hard to believe with the temperatures in the 100s that Fall is just around the corner. That means the weather should be cooling off (*hopefully*), football is starting (*Go Packers!*) and Dobson Ranch is kicking off our upcoming Fall events. We'll start the season off right with our **15th Annual Golf Tournament** on Saturday, September 21st at Dobson Ranch Golf Course. Registration has started at La Casita Recreation Center, so please sign up soon if you are interested in playing. You can register individually or as a foursome.

Our second **Bark in the Park** event of the year takes place on September 28th. Bring your four-legged friends out to Laguna Park for a dog-gone good time. Sign up to win prizes for best dog trick, best pet outfit and pet owner look-alike contests, plus meet vendors that cater exclusively to your canine. We'll have areas for big and small dogs, so come out and enjoy a romp in the park with your pooch.

In October, we'll have our **Outdoor Expo/Fishing Derby** on Saturday, October 5th from 7:00 am to 10:00 am. And, on Saturday, October 12th, our **Community Clean Up** takes place with a Ranch-wide garage sale, spruce up and shred event. Hope to see you all at the upcoming Fall events!

Remember: You can register for classes/activities online. Go to our website at [DobsonRanchHOA.com](http://DobsonRanchHOA.com), look under the Amenities & Activities tab, click on "Classes, Activities and Sports." In the Activities section, you will find a link highlighted in blue that says "Recreation Payment Portal." That will take you to our online site.

## RECREATION FACILITY HOURS:



**La Casita Recreation Center**  
2719 S. Reyes • 480-831-7464  
Memorial Day thru Labor Day Hours:  
Monday-Saturday 8:00 am - 9:00 pm  
Sunday 9:00 am - 8:00 pm  
Open on Labor Day (10:00 am - 6:00 pm)

**Los Altos Recreation Center**  
2524 W. Campo Alegre  
Memorial Day thru Labor Day Hours:  
Monday-Saturday 8:00 am - 9:00 pm  
Sunday 9:00 am - 8:00 pm



**Saratoga Recreation Center**  
2345 S. Saratoga  
Memorial Day thru Labor Day Hours:  
Monday-Saturday 8:00 am - 9:00 pm  
Sunday 9:00 am - 8:00 pm

**Laguna Park**  
2455 W. Laguna Azul Avenue  
Open year-round  
sunrise to sunset



**Don't forget!** Our Summer Hours will end on Labor Day, September 2. Fall Facility Hours for La Casita, Saratoga and Los Altos will be 8:00 am - 7:00 pm Monday through Saturday and 10:00 am - 5:00 pm on Sunday.

*(Most amenities accessible by Homeowner FOB when facility is not staffed.)*

## It's your dog's day at Dobson Ranch, but you'll have a dog-gone good time, too!

# BARK

.....in the Park

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2019**  
**Laguna Park - 2455 W. Laguna Azul**  
**9:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

**Contests will be held at 11:00 am and winners will receive a Gift Card.**



**Pet-Related Vendors Needed!**

Cost to enter is \$25 for a 10' x 10' space. Contact Dobson Ranch Recreation at 480-831-7464.





**Ice Cream Social** To see more photos from our Ice Cream Social event, please visit our **Facebook** page.







**15th Annual Dobson Ranch**

# **GOLF TOURNAMENT**

**Saturday  
September 21, 2019**

**Check In: 6:30 am  
Shotgun Start: 7:00 am**

**Dobson Ranch  
Golf Course**

2155 S. Dobson Road, Mesa, AZ 85202



**The tournament is open to the public. Residents and non-residents of Dobson Ranch can register for the event.**



**\$65  
Per Player!**

**Includes Lunch,  
Goodie Bag  
and Cart**

### **Golf Tournament Highlights:**

**Hole in One  
Cash Prize!**

**18 Hole  
Scramble  
Placement  
Prizes &  
Raffle!**

**Sponsorship  
Opportunities  
4 Different  
Levels!**

**Registration  
La Casita  
Recreation  
Center**

**2719 S. Reyes, Mesa  
or call 480-831-7464  
Deadline: Mon. 9/16**

For questions or sponsorship information, contact **Jesse Wright** at 480-831-7464 or [jwright@dobsonranch.com](mailto:jwright@dobsonranch.com)





## Special Thanks to our DOUBLE EAGLE SPONSORS



### Want to be a Sponsor?

Hurry! Sponsorship opportunities are limited!



15th Annual Dobson Ranch

# GOLF TOURNAMENT

Saturday  
September 21, 2019  
Tee Time: 7:00 am

## Dobson Ranch Golf Course\*

The tournament is open to the public. Residents and non-residents of Dobson Ranch can register for the event.

This tournament is an area favorite that attracts a growing number of participants each year.

\* Rated Arizona's best municipal golf course.

### Golf Sponsorship Levels Include:

#### Par Package \$150

- Par sponsors will be promoted in *Ranchers' RoundUp*, our monthly magazine that reaches residents and surrounding businesses for the October issue. Additional promotion will include our website and social media.

#### Birdie Package \$175

- Birdie Hole sponsorship includes the Par Package plus:
- Your business promotional information at the tee box.

#### Eagle Package \$225

- Eagle Hole sponsorship includes the Birdie Package plus:
- One entry into the tournament that includes play, cart, lunch, and goodie bag.

#### Double Eagle Package \$275

- Double Eagle Hole sponsorship includes the Eagle Package plus:
- A promotional table at the event
- Sponsorship of a drink ticket for each golfer with your business info on the back of the ticket.
- Promotion in one issue of *Ranchers' RoundUp* magazine (if signed up by 8/17).

We will graciously accept any level of contribution for honorable mention as a participant in the event (i.e. gift certificates, gift packages, gift cards, raffle prizes, etc.). If you are interested in participating in this great community event, be sure to contact **Jesse Wright** at the contact info below.

For questions or prize pickup, please contact **Jesse Wright** at 480-831-7464 or [jwright@dobsonranch.com](mailto:jwright@dobsonranch.com)



## RECREATION CLASSES

All Recreation Activities, classes and programs are at La Casita Recreation Center unless specified. Questions? Call La Casita at 480-831-7464. Visit us at [www.dobsonranch.com](http://www.dobsonranch.com).

### A MATTER OF BALANCE

Code: 5674  
When: Fridays (August 30 - October 18)  
Where: La Casita Recreation Center  
Time: 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm  
Cost: FREE

Many older adults experience concerns about falling and restrict their activities. "A Matter of Balance" is an award-winning program designed to manage falls and increase activity levels. This program emphasizes practical strategies to manage falls. The program is being conducted by A.T. Still University as a public service.

### TAI CHI

Instructor: Linda  
When: Wednesdays  
Where: AM Classes & PM Classes at La Casita Recreation Center  
Time: 9:00 am Beginning Tai Chi  
10:00 am Intermediate Tai Chi  
6:00 pm Intermediate Tai Chi  
7:00 pm Beginning Tai Chi  
Cost: \$3 drop in residents, \$6 drop in non-residents  
\$12 resident only for a 6-use punch card

Tai Chi is a gentle Chinese exercise system that may enhance strength and flexibility as well as reduce stress. Learning the Tai Chi form can be the beginning of a healthy, lifelong practice that can improve the quality of life of individuals who choose to practice it.

### YOGA FOR BEGINNERS

Instructor: Jeanne  
When: Mondays  
Time: 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm  
Where: Saratoga Recreation Center  
Cost: \$8 drop in, \$42 resident only for a 7-use punch card

Transform your mind, body and spirit! Yoga will improve your flexibility and strengthen your core muscles while banishing stress and tension. This relaxing but invigorating class promotes inner calmness using breathing techniques, balancing postures and stretching/floor work. Modifications available to meet all levels. Bring a yoga mat. Yoga blocks, strap and blanket/towel are very helpful. You can attend either yoga class offered with your punch card. \*

### HEALING YOGA

Instructor: Samantha  
When: Tuesdays and Thursdays  
Where: La Casita Recreation Center  
When: 8:15 am - 9:15 am  
Cost: \$8 drop in or \$42 resident only for a 7-use punch card

Hard to get up off the floor? Body having a hard time moving? Feeling every ache and pain? Come join us for gentle, therapeutic body movement. We gently move and stretch different parts of the body to help bring new life to tired parts! Also learn how to relax the mind, discovering how to relieve anxiety, bring better sleep, and not letting your worries take control over your mind. If you think your body has had it and can't do anything anymore – think again. Come join us for gentle recovery. You can try it lying on the floor, or even in a chair. Bring a yoga mat. You can attend either yoga class offered with your punch card. \*

### FITNESS IN THE PARK

Code: 5716 (July 15 - September 30)  
Instructor: Nancy  
When: M/W/F 6:00 am - 6:45 am;  
TUES. & THURS. 6:00 pm - 6:45 pm  
Where: Laguna Park  
Cost: \$10 residents, \$15 non-residents  
RSVP: Contact the instructor with questions prior to class at 602-703-7822 or at [nancy@magillfitness.com](mailto:nancy@magillfitness.com)

**\$50 for 5: Get 1 session FREE. \$90 for 9: Get 3 sessions FREE!**

Your 1st class is **FREE!!!** Contact Nancy at 602-703-7822 or at [nancy@magillfitness.com](mailto:nancy@magillfitness.com) to reserve your first **FREE** class.

### ZUMBA

Instructor: Karen  
When: Tuesdays  
Where: La Casita Recreation Center  
Time: 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm  
Cost: \$7 drop in rate, \$30 resident only for a 5-use punch card

This is a fusion of Latin and International music that incorporates a variety of dance styles such as salsa, cumbia, bellydance, and reggaeton. This class combines high energy and motivating music to help you burn fat and tone your body. Even if you have never danced before, you will have a blast, because the routines are fun and easy to do. So what are you waiting for? Join the party and try Zumba today! \*

### AQUA ZUMBA

Instructor: Karen  
When: Thursdays (June 6 - October 10)  
Where: La Casita Recreation Center Pool  
Time: 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm  
Cost: \$7 drop in rate, \$30 resident only for a 5-use punch card (expires 10/10/19).

Aqua Zumba keeps the Zumba Fitness workout party going in the pool. Aqua Zumba is classic aqua aerobics with Latin flavor added to regular Zumba routines. The typical land-based Zumba dance steps, such as cha-cha, merengue, salsa, reggaeton, and mambo, are exaggerated and slower in water, creating a low-impact workout for all fitness levels. There is less impact on your joints during an Aqua Zumba class so you can really let loose. Water creates natural resistance, which means every step is more challenging and helps tone your muscles. \*





### WATER AEROBICS

Instructor: Becky  
 When: Monday thru Thursday (June 3 - October 3)  
 Where: Saratoga Recreation Center Pool  
 Time: 7:30 am - 8:20 am  
 Cost: \$4 drop in rate, \$12 resident only for a 4-use punch card (expires 10/3/19)

*This morning class will get you ready for the day. The class consists of exercises done in shallow and deep water. It will change your movements and get your heart rate going without all the jolting. Expect to have fun while working out. \**

### FAIRYTALE DANCERS (AGES 3-5)

Code: 5729  
 When: Thursdays (September 19 - October 24)  
 Where: Saratoga Recreation Center  
 Time: 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm  
 Cost: **Registration fee due at time of enrollment: Residents \$5. Non-Residents \$10. Contractor fee due to the instructor the first day of program: \$30 check or cash only.**

*Children will be introduced to dance through their favorite fairytales during this positive and encouraging class. Dance can build self-esteem and improve motor skills. Watch your prince or princess shine in this fun and creative program. Children need soft-soled shoes and comfortable clothes. Ballet shoes, leotard and tights are recommended. There will be a performance on the last day of class. Children must be able to work in a group setting and follow directions. For more information on this program, contact Jana Moore at 480-363-9997.*

### INTRO TO BALLET & JAZZ (AGES 4-6)

Code: 5730  
 When: Thursdays (September 19 - October 24)  
 Where: Saratoga Recreation Center  
 Time: 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm  
 Cost: **Registration fee due at time of enrollment: Residents \$5, Non-Residents \$10. Contractor fee due to instructor the first day of program: \$30 check or cash only.**

*In a fun, encouraging and high energy atmosphere, your child will be shown the fundamentals of ballet and jazz, which can help improve motor skills and creative expression. Soft-soled shoes or bare feet are recommended. Children must be able to work in a group setting. There will be a recital at the end of the session. For more information on this program, contact Jana Moore at 480-363-9997.*

### DANCE SAMPLER (AGES 5-8)

Code: 5731  
 When: Tuesdays (September 17 - October 22)  
 Where: Saratoga Recreation Center  
 Time: 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm  
 Cost: **Registration fee due at time of enrollment: Residents \$5, Non-Residents \$10. Contractor fee due to instructor the first day of program: \$30 check or cash only.**

*This upbeat and fun class is perfect to sample different dance styles which will include jazz, ballet, modern, hip hop,*

*and other styles. Get moving with this upbeat and fun class and discover dance. For more information on this program, contact Jana Moore at 480-363-9997.*

*\* Punch Cards may be punched one time for residents only per class. No additional punches for guests or residents. Punch Cards expire 2 months from purchase date.*

### ACTIVITIES

#### TEXAS HOLD'EM TOURNAMENT STYLE

When: 4th Friday of month (August 23)  
 Time: 6:30 pm (Arrive by 6:15 pm)  
 Where: Saratoga Recreation Center  
 Cost: Free to residents, \$5 non-residents  
 Must be 18 years of age or older.

*Poker night is a free monthly program for residents of Dobson Ranch. Come meet your neighbors for a friendly game.*

#### BUNCO

When: 3rd Friday of month (August 16)  
 Time: 6:30 pm (Arrive by 6:15 pm)  
 Where: Saratoga Recreation Center  
 Cost: Free to residents, \$5 non-residents

*This fast-paced, yet easy game, is played with dice. It's a fun social hour with other residents.*

#### BRIDGE GROUP

When: Mondays  
 Where: La Casita Recreation Center  
 Time: 12:30 pm - 3:30 pm

*Come join our Bridge group that meets every Monday. To join the group, please call Bette Parrish at 480-206-3514.*

### RECREATION CLASS INFORMATION

- REGISTRATION** for classes can be done on the Association website at [www.dobsonranch.com](http://www.dobsonranch.com) or at La Casita Community Center, 2719 S. Reyes, Mesa, AZ. Class fees are due during the registration process unless otherwise noted.
- QUESTIONS** on any recreation class or activity, you may contact La Casita Community desk at 480-831-7464.
- REFUNDS** – The Dobson Association reserves the right to establish fees and cost minimums for all programs and to cancel those programs not having sufficient enrollment. Program refunds will be issued for:
  - Cancellation of class by instructor or the Dobson Association will result in full refund.
  - Participants may cancel after first class or initial start date of class for a full refund.
  - Notification by participant prior to start date of illness or injury preventing participation during session time frame.
  - Discontinuance of participation due to injury or illness will be reviewed for consideration of prorated refund.
  - No other refunds will be given. No exceptions. Refund requests must be promptly submitted.

**Harkins Theatres**  
 ULTIMATE MOVIEGOING™

**MOVIE TICKETS FOR SALE**  
 in the Dobson Ranch Recreation Dept.  
 2719 S. Reyes  
 Mesa, AZ 85202  
 480-831-7464

**\$18 FOR 2 TICKETS**



## DOBSON RANCH TENNIS ACADEMY

All lessons and events are held at the La Casita Recreation Center. La Casita is home to two outdoor racquetball courts available to residents and guests. Keys can be checked out at the Recreation Center during facility hours. All tennis sessions begin on the first of each month and run until the end of the month. Contact La Casita for more information at 480-831-7464 or visit [dobsonranchHOA.com](http://dobsonranchHOA.com).



### ADULTS

Dobson Ranch offers a full-range of programs and playing opportunities for ages 16+ and various ability levels. We focus on developing the complete player who can perform in any match situation at any level. Our tennis pro combines technical, mental and physical elements of the game to help build confidence and conditioning to ensure a positive, successful and fun experience.

#### Adult Skills & Drills

Geared for advanced beginners/intermediate players, this class focuses on technique and spin production on shots, as well as basic match strategies. Through structured drills, players will improve their playing consistency, build confidence, and learn how to generate more speed and power.

**7:00 pm - 8:30 pm** | Sessions: Monthly

Monday, September 9, 16, 23, 30 **5722 \$40 R/\$60 NR**  
Tuesday, September 3, 10, 17, 24 **5723 \$40 R/\$60 NR**  
Weds., September 4, 11, 18, 25 **5724 \$40 R/\$60 NR**  
Thursday, September 5, 12, 19, 26 **5725 \$40 R/\$60 NR**

#### Weekday Doubles Play

If you enjoy playing doubles, but want to improve by doing various shot selections, direction, height, speed, and court positioning, then this will be a court-wise way to help improve your doubles game.

**8:30 pm - 10:00 pm** | Sessions: Monthly

Monday, September 9, 16, 23, 30 **5726 \$40 R/\$60 NR**  
Weds., September 4, 11, 18, 25 **5727 \$40 R/\$60 NR**

#### Saturday Doubles

If you enjoy playing doubles, but want to improve by doing various shot selections, direction, height, speed, and court positioning, then this will be a court-wise way to help improve your doubles game.

**7:30 am - 9:00 am** | Sessions: Monthly

Saturday, September 7, 14, 21, 28 **5728 \$40 R/\$60 NR**

### JUNIORS

The mission of Dobson Ranch junior tennis is to provide quality instruction in a fun and friendly atmosphere with a multilevel juniors program from the youngest beginners to sanctioned tournament players. Each tennis student's placement is based on age, experience and a challenge ladder. Classes combine energized drills, fun games, match play, and conditioning. Our goal is for tennis students to reach a higher level of play and learn to love a sport they will play for a lifetime. Sharing the experience can make it more enjoyable, so invite a friend to join you on the courts and learn tennis together!

#### Junior Clinic

This class is for junior tennis players 7-12 looking for an introduction to tennis. This class will introduce basic technique through fun drills and games. Learn how to serve into the correct service box, how to keep score, how to properly rotate the racquet, and how to sustain a rally. If you don't already have a racquet, our tennis pro will fit your child for the proper racquet size during the first class.

**6:00 pm - 7:00 pm** | Sessions: Monthly

Monday, September 9, 16, 23, 30 **5718 \$40 R/\$60 NR**  
Weds., September 4, 11, 18, 25 **5719 \$40 R/\$60 NR**  
Thursday, September 5, 12, 19, 26 **5720 \$40 R/\$60 NR**

**9:00 am - 10:00 am** | Sessions: Monthly

Saturday, September 7, 14, 21, 28 **5721 \$40 R/\$60 NR**

#### Monthly Round Robin Social\*

This monthly social is a fantastic way to meet other tennis players in the community. Players will participate in doubles and mixed-doubles matches in a round-robin format, assorted by levels. No matter what your playing level is, come out and meet other tennis players in a fun, relaxed setting.

**Saturday | 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm**

\*September Social 9/21

**FREE!** Adult 16+ (Register in advance, space is limited.)

### PRIVATE INSTRUCTION

Private tennis lessons are available for individual one-on-one instruction with the Dobson Ranch Tennis Professional. Please call Kwong at 480-759-2248 or [kyoung@dobsonranch.com](mailto:kyoung@dobsonranch.com) to schedule private lessons. The Dobson Ranch tennis courts are for exclusive use of Dobson Ranch residents and of the Association Tennis Professional. Other professionals are not to teach classes, lessons or clinics on our Association courts at any time. To ensure the Ranch tennis program remains viable, Dobson Ranch residents should consult the Association Tennis Pro for all tennis instruction. No outside tennis professionals are permitted on Association courts.





## Advancing Toward the Net - Tennis Tips for August



**By Kwong Young**  
*Dobson Ranch Tennis Professional*

We all know that the majority of the points won in doubles are won somewhere in the service box. But, occasionally a team can be effective hitting in the middle which solves the riddle. Or, when left unguarded, the doubles alley is an option... but that can be dicey, since you don't have a lot of court real estate with which to work. Or, there's the ever-popular mighty lob over the net player.

Too many times players, whether they are serving or receiving, will move up somewhat, but too often not close enough near the net to do harm and, more importantly, will not have the chance to effectively perform "poaching" due to their distance from the net. So, to be more of an asset than a liability, advance toward the net to join your partner. This doesn't mean you need to be side-by-side with each other, but certainly not so stagnant where you're still standing in "no man's land" which is between the baseline and service line area.

Be aware that when the ball is not coming your way, then that's the time to proceed forward to attack play near the net when opportunity is given.

## Table and Chair Rentals



Make your next at home event great with the convenience of renting tables and chairs right in your community. The Dobson Association not only rents out facilities for private rentals, but renting of chairs and tables not held on a ranch facility are also available.

We can accommodate a rental of up to 140 metal framed folding chairs and 15 rectangular 6-foot by 3-foot tables. The resident must schedule to pick up and drop off the chairs and tables at La Casita Recreation Center. A refundable security deposit of a minimum of \$50 is due in cash or credit card.

## Sunset Plaza Rentals

Got a special event or party planned, but don't have a venue selected? In addition to our Grande and Chica Rooms at La Casita Recreation Center, or Saratoga Recreation Center, our outdoor **Sunset Plaza** at La Casita is now available to rent for parties and special occasions. Rental pricing is as follows:

	Patio Only	Patio with Grande Room	Patio with Grande/Chica
Resident	\$125/hr	\$225/hr	\$265/hr
Non-Resident	\$250/hr	\$400/hr	\$440/hr
After-Hour Fee	N	N	N
Set-up Fee	N	N	N
Kitchen	\$75	\$75	\$75
Playground Access	Y	Y	Y
Pool Access	Y	Y	Y
Deposit	\$300	\$500	\$600



## Pontoon Tour/Ride Info

Sit back, relax and take in the beauty of a Dobson Ranch lake on a pontoon ride! Tour fee is \$35 per hour with a two hour maximum. Reservations are available through the Recreation Department and require a 7-day

minimum notice and are subject to weather and availability. Other rules and restrictions will apply. Don't forget... **a FREE one hour pontoon ride per year per property is available for you to enjoy!** Call 480-831-7464 for more information.

## ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS DISCOUNT TICKETS for Dobson Ranch HOA



Select games & seating areas are available for this offer. To purchase tickets go to:

<http://www.dobsonranchhoa.com/discount-tickets>

Then enter the promo code: **DBSAVE**

No returns, refunds, exchanges, or upgrades on tickets. All tickets based on availability. For any accessible seating or groups of 10 or more, please contact your D-Backs Rep Garrett King at (602) 462-4238 or [gking@dbacks.com](mailto:gking@dbacks.com).

## Event Venue

Looking for a place to celebrate a special event or host a meeting?



Why not consider renting La Casita or Saratoga Recreation Centers?

Both facilities are able to accommodate weddings, reunions, birthdays, holiday parties, and meetings, both large and small.



For questions, please call the Recreation Coordinator at 480-831-7464 during weekday business hours to check availability.

Dobson Ranch HOA . 2719 S. Reyes, Mesa, AZ 85202 . 480-831-7464



**Ninth Annual**



## **OUTDOOR EXPO & KIDS FISHING DERBY**

**Saturday, October 5: 7:00 am - 10:00 am**



**Lake 1/Los Altos Rec. Center  
2524 W. Campo Alegre**

**Visit with  
Local Vendors**

**FREE Kids  
Fishing Derby**

**Win Great  
Raffle Prizes!**

**Sponsored by  
Dobson Ranch Rec. Dept.  
480-831-7464**

# Fall Break Camp

**Saratoga Recreation Center**

**October 7-11**

**Monday thru Friday**

**8:00 am - 5:00 pm**

**Ages: 6-12 years old**

**\$40\* per day/\$185\* for the week**

**Daily Themes:**

**Treasure  
Hunted**

**GAME  
SHOW**

**FAR,  
FAR AWAY**

**CUTTHROAT KITCHEN**

**BLAST FROM  
THE PAST**

**\*Prices are for Dobson Ranch Residents  
Non-Residents pay an additional \$5 per day**

**Register online at [www.dobsonranchhoa.com](http://www.dobsonranchhoa.com)**

**Dobson Ranch Recreation Department \*2719 S. Reyes, Mesa, AZ \*480-831-7464**





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**SATURDAY  
OCT.  
12**

## DOBSON RANCH COMMUNITY CLEAN UP

### **GARAGE SALE:**

7:00 am - 1:00 pm. Ranchwide. Register by email: [cburleson@dobsonranch.com](mailto:cburleson@dobsonranch.com) or call Carolyn at 480-831-8314. Signage is your responsibility. Deadline to register is Friday, October 4. Maps and lists will be available on Thursday, October 10.

### **RANCH CLEAN UP:**

7:00 am - 1:30 pm. Los Altos Parking Lot. Residents are responsible for loading and unloading their own material. Unacceptable items include: *appliances, rock, block, concrete, tile, carpet, food, animal waste, engines, all hazardous waste, pressurized tanks and gas powered vehicles.*

### **PAPER SHREDDING:**

8:00 am - 11:00 am. Saratoga Parking Lot. Drop off boxes of paper to be shredded. Paper clips and staples OK. No plastic bags.

# Halloween Spooktacular

**Friday, October 18, 2019  
Laguna Park**

2455 W. Laguna Azul Ave.

**5:30 pm - 7:00 pm**

Games, Pumpkin Parade

 Inflatables

**6:00 pm**

Costume Contest

Ages: 0-12 

**7:00 pm - 9:00 pm**

 Movie  
at the Park



**Dobson Ranch Recreation  
480-831-7464**



## Retirees' Club

By Al Prosek

The August General Meeting of the Retirees' Club welcomed back some of our returning travelers and those getting out of the heat for a bit! **Lynelle Glysson**, HOA Community Manager, was our guest speaker. She updated us on the state of the Ranch to include her outreach to various City officials to make Dobson Ranch a great place to live. (See photos below.)

If you are interested in the Dobson Ranch Retirees' events, socializing with your neighbors, and enjoying the good life on the Ranch, contact us or come to our September General Meeting on September 9th at 9:30 am at La Casita!

The annual dues of \$20 includes a great lunch and a program of interest for 10 months out of each year. Social gatherings are held in the months of June and July. What a great value in this day and age!

A few of the activities are still on hiatus until the Fall, but we still will have **Dinner Night Out, Ladies Lunch, Men's Breakfast, Game Day, Movie Day, and Happy Hour.** **Hiking and Biking** will be happening on a reduced schedule.

We wish all of our members safe travels on vacations and extended stays this Summer!

## Retirees' Schedule

### GENERAL MEETING

The Club's regular General Meeting was held on Monday, August 5th at 9:30 am at La Casita Recreation Center.

### BOARD MEETING

The next Board Meeting will be on August 19 at La Casita at 9:00 am.

The following is a list of activities open to all Dobson Ranch Retirees' Club members. If you are interested in any of the following, please contact that committee chair to receive more information.

DAY TRIPPERS	Marilyn Krouse	480-620-9311
<i>No events until Fall.</i>		
DINNER NIGHT OUT	Linda Kosko	480-510-4990
HAPPY HOUR	Tanya Andrew	602-723-9106
MEN'S BREAKFAST	Dick Krouse	480-620-9310
MOVIE DAY	Judie Bielo	480-820-7371
FUN & GAME DAY	Judie Bielo	480-820-7371
LADIES LUNCH	Jeanne Collins	480-353-8604
BICYCLE RIDING	Arnie Chase	480-838-4124
<i>No rides in August.</i>		
HIKING	Barbara Stout	602-740-3213
<i>No hikes in August.</i>		
PICNICS	Nancy Radisich	480-831-5732
<i>No picnics until Fall.</i>		

If you like these activities and would like to join the Dobson Ranch Retirees' Club, please contact **Dovie Bryant** at [dllbryant1@cox.net](mailto:dllbryant1@cox.net).

Photos from the **Retirees' General Meeting** held on August 5.







## Dobson Dolphins

By Amy Schuler

President of Dobson Dolphins

What a great swim season we've had! Over 100-plus swimmers competed in swim meets around the East Valley this Summer. All swimmers earned ribbons, improved swimming times, enriched friendships, and enjoyed many Summer fun events at Los Altos. We are especially grateful for the Mesa City Police officers for attending our Patriotic Swim Meet.

We were extremely pleased to present trophies to the following swim team members at our end-of-season Awards Ceremony on July 23 at La Casita Recreation Center.

**1st Year Swimmers:** Cecilia Carey, Eelyn Carey, Michael Charles, Sabrina Joslin, Eden LaBell, Oscar Mortensen, Thomas Schuler, Karsten Dunmar, Maverick Hane, Alyson Stumpf, Maximilian Zuk, Brooke Butts, Micah Capps, Adreana Diamond, Mikayla Dunmar, Hannah Hane, Callie Heath, Bea Romney, Sydney Stumpf, Ruth Warnick, Lainey Zuk, Ana Rojas, Blake Speer, Zoe Zuk, Anthony Reed, Addison Zuk, Justin Crawford, and Gaby Munoz

**2nd Year Swimmers:** Brynn Marcus, Gavin Bachman, Gus Huckelberry, Paul Sutherland, David Charles, Zachary Lawson, Trip McLaughlin, Sophia Smith, Mason Thomas, Stormy Wingate, Teagan Zink, Riley Bennett, Anna Charles, Haydin Figgs, Judah LaBell, Isabella Lawson, Ava Boggs, Emma Capps, Carol Charles, Amy



Garcia, Laura Martin, Samantha Martin, Nathanael Vasquez, Madison Shill, and Molly Hermann

**3rd Year Swimmers:** Lily Urry, Luke Bachman, Kaydence Lind, Delanie Richardson, Gianna Lopez Cordova, Nathan Moon, Samuel Staedicke, Bella Yohe, Emery Zink, Jericho Garcia, Annika Holmstrom, Max Romney, Amy Pindar, and Bronwen Zink

**4th Year Swimmers:** Eva Adams, William Burke, Samantha Hamblin, Brynlie Sutherland, Tatum Bare, Margaret Ehmke, Sophie Joslin, Alex Norsworthy, Olivia Ehmke, Brody Phillips, and Josie Fischbeck

**5th Year Swimmers (received a Dolphins blanket):** Macie Mortensen, Patrick Burke, Logan Sutherland, Eliana Adams, Jensen Edwards, Meredith Ference, Luke Ference, and Nate Fischbeck

**6th Year Swimmers:** Caleigh Brown, Madelyn Hamblin, Ingrid Hansen, Stephanie Schuler, Cullen Brown, Asher Pindar, Terra Aust, and Abby Hansen

**7th Year Swimmers (received a personalized backpack):** Chloe Mortensen, Charli Slater and Jackson Slater

**8th Year Swimmers:** Natalie Hamblin, Charlie Schuler, Sariah Sutherland, and Suzanne Schuler

**9th Year Swimmers:** Joshua Hamrick and James Schuler

**10th Year Swimmers (received a personalized folding chair):** Zachary Altman and Samantha Lint

**12th Year Swimmers:** MaKenna Devlin



**Look for us in 2020! It's the 40th swim season for the Dobson Dolphins. You won't want to miss out!**

To see photos from Awards Night, please visit the Dobson Ranch HOA Facebook page.

## Women's Club

By Patty Smith

Women's Club Representative

We made it through another sizzling Arizona Summer! Students are headed back to school. And, an abundance of activities will be back on our schedules.

Hope you all had a wonderful Summer. Please continue to keep Chris in your thoughts and prayers for a speedy recovery.

Until September... Patty

## Pickleball Club

By Rich Bitner

Recreation Committee Pickleball Representative

### What Monsoon?

Monsoon arrived late, and looks a little weak, so far... probably will mess with our schedule a lot by the time this is published in August. We are keeping to our schedule of 7:00 am play on Monday and Saturday mornings, and Tuesday evenings under the lights at 7:00 pm, weather permitting. We also have our social pickleball group that plays Monday and Thursday evenings under the lights at 7:00 pm.

For Tuesday and Thursday mornings, our players usually gravitate to the Tempe Sports Complex (8 courts), Pecos

Community Center in Ahwatukee (16 courts), or if too much wind or rain, indoors at Kiwanis Park/Tempe (3 courts from 7:00-10:00 am).

Beginners are always welcome. Everyone is invited to come out to play or just watch. We have paddles to loan and balls available, just be sure to dress appropriately including proper tennis shoes and bring lots of water.

For schedule updates, please check the Dobson Ranch website at: [www.dobsonranchhoa.com/activities](http://www.dobsonranchhoa.com/activities). Or, you can contact **Rich Bitner** ([rebitner@cs.com](mailto:rebitner@cs.com)) or **Frank Mizner** ([planner1948@gmail.com](mailto:planner1948@gmail.com)) for further information, to get referrals for professional instruction, and to get on our email list for announcements. Please contact **Donna Moran** at [donna85202@gmail.com](mailto:donna85202@gmail.com) to get on her email list for Monday and Thursday night play.

As always, remember Dobson's six courts at the Los Altos Community Center are available to residents and their guests anytime between 7:00 am and 10:00 pm daily year 'round... another great benefit of living here!





## Dobson Ranch Republicans

By **Bob Schuster**, Chairman and **Michelle Masters**, Co-Chair



Arizona Republican Party Chairwoman **Dr. Kelli Ward** will be the guest speaker at the Thursday, September 5 meeting of the Dobson Ranch Republicans. Dr. Ward is a former state legislator who recently won the party chairmanship as we enter the 2020 election season.

Anyone who shares the conservative principles of individual freedom and limited government is welcome to attend our monthly meetings, which are the first Thursday of each month unless otherwise posted.

**WHEN:** Thursday, September 5

Meet, Greet and Eat (no host) 6:30 pm - 7:00 pm.  
Guest Speaker and Q&A 7:00 - 8:30 pm.

**WHERE:** **Native Grill & Wings** Community Room  
1837 W. Guadalupe Road,  
Mesa, AZ 85202

**Follow us on Facebook:**

[www.facebook.com/DobsonRanch-Republicans](http://www.facebook.com/DobsonRanch-Republicans)

**Email us:** [DobsonRanchGOP@gmail.com](mailto:DobsonRanchGOP@gmail.com) to get on our mailing list for event updates.



## Dobson Ranch Democrats & Friends Club

By **Jill Snyder**, Treasurer and **Ryan Winkle**, Vice President

**Please Attend Our Open Meetings!**

**WHEN:** Wednesday, Sept. 11, 2019

6:00 – 6:30 pm Networking  
6:30 – 8:00 pm Meeting and Program

**WHERE:** **El Autentico Restaurant**

1245 W. Guadalupe Road, Unit B7  
Mesa, AZ 85202

(SW corner at Alma School Road)

Light refreshments provided. Cash bar.



**We Welcome You To Our Open Meetings!**

As always, we will provide light snacks, so bring some friends invite your neighbors, and join us as we will have very special guests that you won't want to miss!

**Questions:** **George Tihanyi** 480-792-6746

or **Ryan Winkle** 602-741-6465 [Ryan.D.Winkle@gmail.com](mailto:Ryan.D.Winkle@gmail.com)

**Donations are always appreciated:**

<https://secure.actblue.com/donate/drdf2019>

**Like us on Facebook:**

<https://www.facebook.com/DobsonRanchDemocrats>

**Join our Meet-Up group:** <https://www.meetup.com/LD18-Dems>

For pallet deliveries, contact  
**Melissa Forrester**  
at [mforrester@unitedfoodbank.org](mailto:mforrester@unitedfoodbank.org)

## Mesa Hydration Donation Campaign

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**June 3 - September 27**



- Red Mountain Multigenerational Center  
7550 E. Adobe Road
- United Food Bank  
245 S. Nina Drive (north of Broadway between Extension and Alma School)
- Paz de Cristo  
424 W. Broadway Road
- Dobson Ranch HOA  
La Casita Recreation Center  
2719 S. Reyes
- Superstition Springs Center  
6555 E. Southern Ave.
- Rhodes Aquatic Complex  
1860 S. Longmore Road
- A New Leaf - East Valley Men's Center  
2345 N. Country Club Drive
- Mesa Main Library  
64 E. First St.
- Mesa Chamber of Commerce  
165 N. Centennial Way, Suite 208
- Mesa Community College  
1833 W. Southern Ave. (Public Safety Office)
- Mesa Community College  
7110 E. McKellips Road (Public Safety Office)
- Southern Pavilion Self Storage  
7710 E. Southern Ave.
- Keller Williams

## Dobson Ranch Residents:

**YOU can help make a difference!**

**Drop off your cases of water at La Casita Recreation Center between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm Monday through Friday.**



EVERY CASE HELPS!

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**MESA Hydration Donation Campaign**

[www.mesaaz.gov/H2omesa](http://www.mesaaz.gov/H2omesa)

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## Livin' and Lovin' Life at the Lakes

Dobson Ranch is the largest lake community in Mesa. There are eight artificial lakes that allow boating and are filled with Salt River Project surface water versus reclaimed water in other valley lake communities.

Arizona lakefront property is one of the best types of AZ real estate on the market, because there is enduring value to families with an active lifestyle. Living on the lake offers an unmatched year-round vacation-type atmosphere. There are plenty of advantages of living by the lake. Lakefront living truly offers something for everyone. You can take a relaxing boat ride launched from your own dock to escape the hassles of daily living, hike or bike along a scenic trail, spend some quiet time admiring the variety of birds or wildlife on acres of natural beauty, or enjoy the serene setting at sunset from your backyard pool.

Living on the lake in Arizona comes with other perks as well, such as being surrounded by water makes sweltering Arizona summers seem a bit cooler, and lake activities like fishing allow the homeowners to bond with their family members and neighbors.

In addition to our single family homes, lakefront subdivisions in Dobson Ranch area include **The Landings, Water Works, and Lake Park Village.**

**The Landings** is unique in that 75% of the 222 properties have a view of the lake (or canal that runs between the townhouses). Small finger lakes flow throughout the development, allowing many residents to step out on their back patios and enjoy the tranquility of waterfront living.

**Lake Park Village** is a gated village of 126 condominium homes. It features two bodies of water: the man-made central lake and a canal along the perimeter. This triangular-shaped

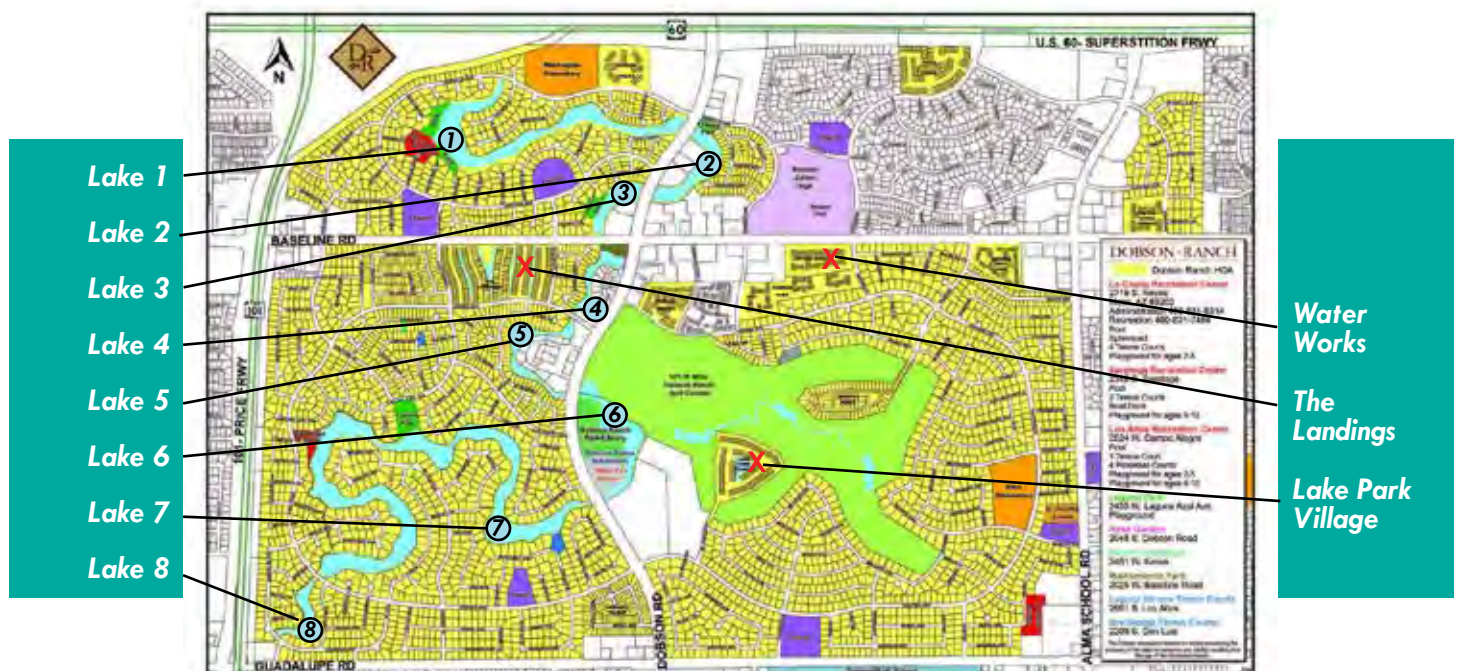
development is surrounded by the canal and the Dobson Ranch municipal golf course, offering residents either a waterfront view or a golf course view.

**Water Works**, a 204-unit complex of condominiums is located on Baseline Road between Pennington and Longmore Avenues. Residents are especially proud of the interior common area which features a pond and fountains with a refreshing tropical feel.

However, living on the Dobson Ranch lakes has some additional Homeowners Association rules and regulations to consider as well:

- 1. TREES** - Trees on your property must be cut back so that they are not overhanging into the lakes leaving unsightly debris in the water.
- 2. WATERCRAFT** - All watercraft used on the lakes must be registered annually and must be maintained in operable condition. Stored watercraft, visible from common area or common area lakes, are limited to three watercrafts per property.
- 3. DOCKS** - For each lot which butts up to a lake common area, an easement has been created for the purpose of the construction of a dock. Docks are to be cantilevered and extend no more than 6' onto the common area. Plans for building a dock must be submitted in advance of construction to the Architectural Control Committee for prior approval. Docks must be structurally sound and maintained in good repair.

**Remember...** If we all work together to abide by these three simple rules, everyone living on the Ranch will get to live life at the lakes to the fullest!





## Programs at the Dobson Ranch Library

August 12 - September 6, 2019



### Introduction to Excel

Monday, August 12, 2019

10:30 am - 11:30 am - Dobson Meeting Room

Learn the fundamentals of Microsoft Excel including how to create, edit and format data in a spreadsheet. Must be comfortable using a mouse and a keyboard. Adults.

### Preschool Storytime

Tuesday, August 13, 2019

10:30 am - 11:00 am - Dobson Meeting Room

Join us for songs, stories, words, letters, numbers, and general silliness in this storytime designed to get children ready for kindergarten. Ages 3-5.

### Baby Lapsit

Wednesday, August 14, 2019

9:30 am - 10:00 am - Dobson Meeting Room

Baby Lapsit introduces the rhythm and beauty of language to babies. Birth-16 months.



### K-Code Storytime

Wednesday, August 14, 2019

10:30 am - 11:15 am - Dobson Meeting Room

K-Code Storytime introduces basic coding concepts to families through songs, stories, games, and interactive plugged and unplugged activities. Ages 3-5.



### We Read YA Book Group

Wednesday, August 14, 2019

6:30 pm - 7:30 pm - Dobson Meeting Room

If you're an adult who enjoys reading Young Adult novels, then this group is for you. August's discussion book will be: *Moxie* by Jennifer Mathieu.

### Craft Night: Felt

Thursday, August 15, 2019

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm - Dobson Meeting Room

This month we'll be using felt to create pencil or brush pouches, succulents and other decor. Teens and adults.



### Paws2Read

Saturday, August 17, 2019

10:30 am - 12:00 pm - Dobson Meeting Room

Dog like books, too! Paws2Read pairs Delta-registered therapy animals and their handlers with young readers ranging from 1st to 10th grades.

### ESL Conversation Group

Saturday, August 17, 2019

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm - Large Study Space

Join our weekly literacy group if you would like to practice basic English listening and speaking survival skills. Adult non-native speakers are welcome, and no registration needed. Bring a notebook and pencil.

### Intermediate Microsoft Excel

Monday, August 19, 2019

10:30 am - 12:00 pm - Dobson Meeting Room

Learn how to sort, filter, freeze panes, conduct basic math, and create charts in Microsoft Excel. Proficiency in Microsoft Excel is required.



### Preschool Storytime

Tuesday, August 20, 2019

10:30 am - 11:00 am - Dobson Meeting Room

Join us for songs, stories, words, letters, numbers, and general silliness in this storytime designed to get kids ready for kindergarten. Ages 3-5.



### Baby Lapsit

Wednesday, August 21, 2019

9:30 am - 10:00 am - Dobson Meeting Room

Baby Lapsit introduces the rhythm and beauty of language to babies. Birth-16 months.

### K-Code Storytime

Wednesday, August 21, 2019

10:30 am - 11:15 am - Dobson Meeting Room

K-Code Storytime introduces basic coding concepts to families through songs, stories, games, and interactive activities. Ages 3-5.



### Toddler Time

Thursday, August 22, 2019

10:30 am - 11:00 am - Dobson Meeting Room

Toddler Time incorporates stories, music and movement into an engaging storytime for children. Ages 16-36 months.

### ESL Conversation Group

Saturday, August 24, 2019

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm - Large Study Space

Join our weekly literacy group if you would like to practice basic English listening and speaking survival skills. Adult non-native speakers are welcome, and no registration needed. Bring a notebook and pencil.



### LEGO Club

Saturday, August 24, 2019

1:30 pm - 2:30 pm - Dobson Meeting Room

Come explore your creative side at the library with LEGO. Children can either follow a monthly theme or build from their imaginations. LEGO and DUPLO blocks are provided.

### Advanced Microsoft Excel

Monday, August 26, 2019

10:30 am - 12:00 pm - Dobson Meeting Room

Learn advanced Excel topics like how to create pivot tables, how to use multiple spreadsheets and how to use absolute references, vlookup, and other techniques. Proficiency in Intermediate Microsoft Excel is required.



### Exercise Your Brain and Learn to Code

Monday, August 26, 2019

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm - Dobson Meeting Room

Learning to code isn't as hard as you think. Using puzzles and games, you'll learn the basics of different coding languages and be able to show off what you've created to family and friends. Adults.

### Preschool Storytime

Tuesday, August 27, 2019

10:30 am - 11:00 am - Dobson Meeting Room

Join us for songs, stories, words, letters, numbers, and general silliness in this storytime designed to get kids ready for kindergarten. Ages 3-5.

### Baby Lapsit

Wednesday, August 28, 2019

9:30 am - 10:00 am - Dobson Meeting Room

Baby Lapsit introduces the rhythm and beauty of language to babies. Birth-16 months.

### K-Code Storytime

Wednesday, August 28, 2019

10:30 am - 11:15 am - Dobson Meeting Room

K-Code Storytime introduces basic coding concepts to families through songs, stories, games, and interactive plugged and unplugged activities. Ages 3-5.





## Programs at the Dobson Ranch Library

Continued



### Toddler Time

Thursday, August 29, 2019

10:30 am - 11:00 am - Dobson Meeting Room

Toddler time incorporates stories, music and movement into an engaging storytime for children. Ages 16-36 months.

### ESL Conversation Group

Saturday, August 31, 2019

1:30 pm - 2:30 pm - Large Study Space

Join our weekly literacy group if you would like to practice basic English listening and speaking survival skills. Adult non-native speakers are welcome, and no registration needed. Bring a notebook and pencil. (This class is also held on September 7, 14, 21, and 28.)

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 - LIBRARY CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY**



### Preschool Storytime

Tuesday, September 3, 2019

10:30 am - 11:30 am - Dobson Meeting Room

Join us for songs, stories, words, letters, and numbers in this storytime designed to get kids ready for kindergarten. Ages 3-5.

### Baby Lapsit

Wednesday, September 4, 2019

9:30 am - 10:00 am - Dobson Meeting Room

Baby Lapsit introduces the rhythm and beauty of language to babies. Birth-16 months. (This session is also held on September 11.)



### Let's Play With Paper

Wednesday, September 4, 2019

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm - Dobson Meeting Room

The first Wednesday of each month get creative with all kinds of paper. If you like to play with paper of all

colors, textures and patterns, this is the class for you. This class is for ages 18+.

### Toddler Time

Thursday, September 5, 2019

10:30 am - 11:00 am - Dobson Meeting Room

Toddler time incorporates stories, music and movement into an engaging storytime for children. Ages 16-36 months.



### First Five Years™

Friday, September 6, 2019

10:00 am - 11:30 am - Dobson Meeting Room

First Five Years™ is a 4-session series that provides the latest skills and information for parenting children ages 0-5. Topics include: Temperament, Brain Development,

Positive Discipline, and School Readiness. Childcare provided.

Registration required. Simply register one time for all four classes.



### LIBRARY HOURS

Monday - Thursday:

10:00 am - 8:00 pm

Friday & Saturday:

10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Sunday - CLOSED

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## Mesa Chamber of Commerce Events

### Mesa Chamber Government Affairs Council

Friday, August 16, 2019

7:30 am - 8:30 am

Mesa Chamber Office - 165 N. Centennial Way, Mesa

Members are invited to attend this monthly council meeting with regards to Government Affairs and how the Chamber works to support business in that environment.

### Taste of Mesa - Canyon Winds Retirement Community

Tuesday, August 20, 2019

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Canyon Winds Retirement Community - 7311 E. Oasis St., Mesa

Taste of Mesa is an evening networking event that provides the perfect mix of casual interaction with important business connections. It is an opportunity for members to get together, meet each other, exchange business cards, and network. You'll have the opportunity to win "The Big Prize" currently worth over \$2,000.

### Coffee Time - Desert Financial Credit Union

Thursday, August 22, 2019

8:00 am - 9:00 am

Desert Financial Credit Union - 148 N. 48th St., Phoenix

Attendees to the Chamber's Coffee Time will join local business owners and fellow Chamber Members in an informal networking opportunity. Coffee Time is held at sponsored business locations and reservations are not required.

### Ribbon Cutting - ACOYA Mesa

Tuesday, September 17, 2019

3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Acoya Mesa - 6502 E. Brown Road, Mesa

From brilliant interior design to enlightening programs that enrich life, ACOYA is a retirement community like no other. Help celebrate the success of ACOYA Mesa. The community is invited to attend.

### Taste of Mesa - Dental Care of Mesa

Tuesday, September 17, 2019

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Dental Care of Mesa - 6610 E. Baseline Road, Ste. 104, Mesa

Taste of Mesa is an evening networking event that provides the perfect mix of casual interaction with important business connections. It is an opportunity for members to get together, meet each other, exchange business cards, and network. You'll have the opportunity to win "The Big Prize" currently worth over \$2,000.



### Lunch Mob - Marco's Pizza

Wednesday, September 18, 2019

11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Marco's Pizza - 446 N. Higley Road, Mesa

A Lunch Mob is an opportunity to rally the community to a great new or existing lunch spot.

Marco's Pizza was founded in 1978 by Pasquale "Pat" Giammarco, and has been providing people with authentic Italian quality and primo moments ever since.



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This is only a partial listing of Mesa Chamber of Commerce networking events. For more information, or to register for an event, please visit the Chamber's website at [www.mesachamber.org/events](http://www.mesachamber.org/events).



## 5 Ways to Engage at Your Local School

Now that school is back in session, here are a few ways for you to get involved.



### 1. Volunteer Your Time

Whether you're available a few days a week or just an hour, spending time in a classroom provides long-term benefits for students and volunteers. Not sure working one-on-one with students is your strength? Contact your local school to learn about hands-on needs, such as shelving library books, assisting with the school garden, campus cleanup, and more.

### 2. Join the Team

Bus driver, cafeteria and instructional assistant positions are perfect for retirees, college students and others with flexible schedules. Besides pay and benefits, you will make a life-changing connection with the students you see every day. The district is always looking for dedicated team members. Apply online at [mpsaz.org/careers](http://mpsaz.org/careers).

### 3. Adopt a School

Community organizations adopt schools to meet any needs they may have, including supply drives or holiday support. Visit your neighborhood school and talk to the principal about opportunities to get involved. For help locating a school in need, contact the district communications and engagement department, at 480-472-0223.

### 4. Contribute ECA Funds

Arizona taxpayers may earn a dollar-for-dollar tax credit on eligible extracurricular activity donations. Individuals may contribute up to \$200, and a couple filing jointly can contribute \$400. Eligible donations can go toward extracurricular activities, character education, testing fees for college credit or readiness (PSAT, AP and IB), career and technical education industry certification assessment, and other eligible activities. Learn more at [mpsaz.org/eca](http://mpsaz.org/eca).

### 5. Attend School Events

Show your support from the audience at games, musical or theatre performances and more. Residents 62 or older who live within district boundaries may pick up a **Gold Card**, which provides free or discounted admission to many school events. To sign up for a Gold Card, visit the Administrative Services Center, 63 E. Main St., or Curriculum Services Center, 549 N. Stapley Dr., or sign up online at [mpsaz.org/communications](http://mpsaz.org/communications).

Article provided by **Heidi Hurst**, Director of Communications and Engagement for Mesa Public Schools

## Upcoming Concerts and Where to Find Them

August and September will be rockin' in the City of Mesa



### Rebellion: Good Vibes Summer Tour 2019

Saturday, August 29  
6:00 pm  
**Mesa Amphitheatre**  
Presented by Lucky Man Concerts

Fourteen years into an effervescent career, California reggae band and

touring juggernaut **Rebellion** remains abundantly creative. Its members are as focused and committed as they are easygoing and laid-back. They earned their first ever Grammy nomination in 2016 in the category of Best Reggae Album with *Falling Into Place*.



### KANSAS: Point of Know Return

Thursday, Sept. 19  
7:30 pm  
**Ikeda Theater**  
Presented by Mesa Arts Center as part of the Performing Live series

With a legendary career spanning more than four decades, **KANSAS** has firmly established itself as one of America's iconic classic rock bands. This "garage band" from Topeka released their debut album in 1974 after being discovered by Wally Gold, who worked for Don Kirshner, and have gone on to sell more than 30 million albums worldwide.



### Flogging Molly & Social Distortion Summer Tour 2019

Sunday, Sept. 29  
6:00 pm  
**Mesa Amphitheatre**  
Presented by Lucky Man Concerts

Punk mainstays **Flogging Molly** and

**Social Distortion** team up on their massive North American tour this Summer ending at Mesa's Amphitheatre on September 29.

"We're excited to be heading out on the road with our friends **Flogging Molly** this Summer," **Social Distortion** frontman Mike Ness shared with the press. "It's going to be a lot of fun and we're all looking forward to it."







## Mayor John Giles Brings Home Honors From Annual U.S. Conference of Mayors

Mesa's Mayor **John Giles** attended the 87th Annual United States Conference of Mayors (USCM) meeting, held June 28-July 1, where hundreds of mayors gathered to discuss immigration, trade, affordable housing, Census 2020 and jobs.

During the meeting, winners were announced for the **2019 City Livability Award**. The award recognizes mayoral leadership in developing and implementing programs that improve the quality of life in America's cities, focusing on the leadership, creativity and innovation demonstrated by the mayors. This year's winning cities were selected by former mayors from a pool of more than 100 applicants.

This is the 40th year cities have competed for the award, which is sponsored by USCM and Waste Management, Inc.

Mayor Giles was awarded the **Outstanding Achievement 2019 Large City Livability Award** for Mesa's Community Court Program. The program helps break the jail cycle by addressing the causes of homelessness, addiction and mental illness rather than issuing fines and jail sentences.

"Mesa's Community Court is creating real change for our residents," Mayor John Giles said. "It is an honor to be recognized by my peers at USCM."

Also, during the USCM summer meeting, Mayor Giles received the **Chairman's Award** from the Latino Leaders Network (LLN). The Chairman's Award honors mayors who show outstanding leadership, dedication to inclusion and friendship with the Latino community.

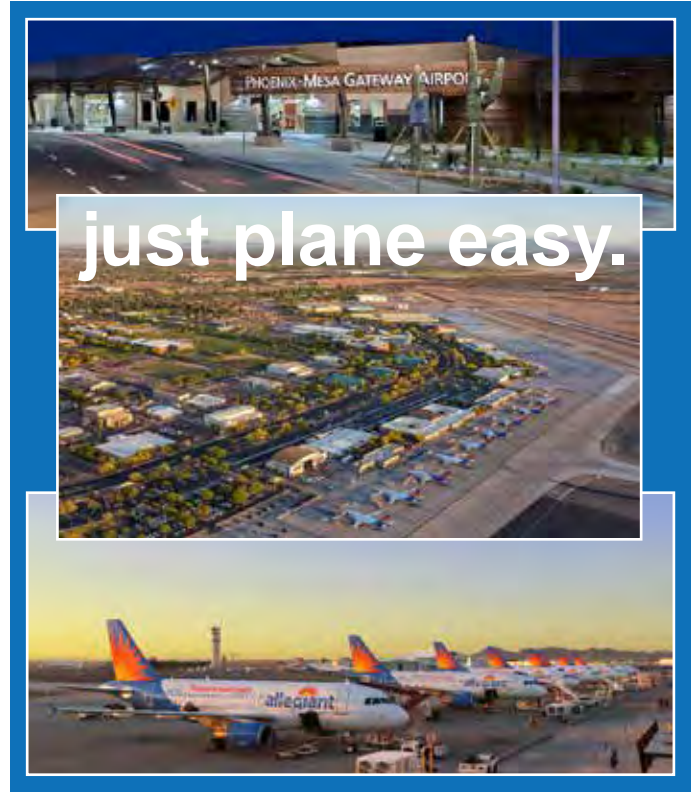
"Mesa is diverse, and I believe that our Latino community helps us be a vibrant, interesting and economically robust city," Giles said. "I am proud to receive the 2019 Chairman's Award from the LLN."

The Latino Leaders Network is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to "Bringing Leaders Together" to establish relationships, build unity and share personal stories since 2004.



Mayor John Giles shown above on right

## Phoenix-Mesa Gateway Has Been Named "Airport of the Year" for Third Time



Phoenix-Mesa Gateway Airport is the Arizona Department of Transportation's "**Airport of the Year**" for 2019, winning the award for the third time.

The airport is currently the 32nd busiest airport in the nation with 288,000 takeoffs and departures a year.

According to ADOT, community outreach and growth were factored into the decision of awarding Phoenix-Mesa Gateway Arizona Airport of the Year 2019.

"This airport has done an amazing job in support of their community and advancing aviation in the state of Arizona," said **Don Kriz**, ADOT's aeronautics group manager.

Phoenix-Mesa Gateway Airport hosted a presidential visit, led community outreach and participated in local chambers of commerce.

The airport has been awarded with a perfect certification and operations inspection from the Federal Aviation Administration.

For more information about airports, ADOT's Aeronautics Group and the Airport Development Program, please visit [azdot.gov/Airports](http://azdot.gov/Airports).





The Mesa City Council approved a development agreement with the multinational technology and Internet services giant, **Google**. That agreement outlines a potential project which would include a data center and accessory office facilities.

“Mesa would be pleased to welcome a global leader in innovation like Google to our community. They would be a great match for the **Elliot Road Technology Corridor**,” Mayor **John Giles** said. “There is still much to be done but we are excited to be working with another ‘Big Four’ technology company and the future prospects.”

Power, land, water, natural gas, fiber, market access, quick entitlement process, Foreign Trade Zone -- The **Elliot Road Technology Corridor** has everything high-tech manufacturers need to get up and running fast.

Just ask **Apple**, which recently opened its \$2 billion, 1.3-million-square-foot global command center in the Corridor, or **Niagara Bottling** which just built a start-of-the-art, 450,000-square-foot production facility, or **EdgeCore**, which just began building phase one of a 1.25-million-square-foot data center campus.

Google, which specializes in Internet-related services and products including online advertising technolo-

gies, search engine, cloud computing, software, and hardware, is exploring the acquisition of 187 acres for \$1 billion in Mesa’s Council District 6 just northwest of the Phoenix-Mesa Gateway Airport.

“I’m happy that Google will be joining our business community,” District 6 Councilmember **Kevin Thompson** said. “This will be a win for Mesa, our citizens and the entire region. I look forward to working with them.”

At this time, specific details have not been finalized. While the Development Agreement contemplates milestone minimums which Google must achieve, they do not reflect the actual project scope.

“We have a great Economic Development team and City Attorney’s Office that have put a lot of time and effort into this project to get us to this point,” Mesa City Manager **Chris Brady** said. “We are also grateful to our partners, **Salt River Project**, the **Arizona Commerce Authority** and **Greater Phoenix Economic Council**, for their assistance along the way.”



*Googleplex - Google Headquarters in California*

For more information about the **Elliot Road Technology Corridor**, visit [www.selectmesa.com/business-districts/mesa-gateway-area/elliot-road-technology-corridor-6308](http://www.selectmesa.com/business-districts/mesa-gateway-area/elliot-road-technology-corridor-6308)



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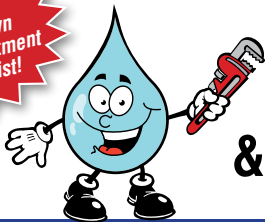
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<p>12</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Water Aerobics</b> 7:30 am Saratoga Pool</p> <p><b>Bridge</b> 12:30 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Yoga for Beginners</b> 5:30 pm Saratoga Room</p> <p><b>Budget and Finance Committee</b> 6:30 pm Grande Room</p>	<p>13</p> <p><b>Water Aerobics</b> 7:30 am Saratoga Pool</p> <p><b>Healing Yoga</b> 8:15 am Chica Room</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 pm Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Zumba</b> 6:30 pm Grande Room</p> <p><b>Architectural Committee</b> 6:30 pm Chica Room</p>	<p>14</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Water Aerobics</b> 7:30 am Saratoga Pool</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Beginner</b> 9:00 am Chica Room</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Intermediate</b> 10:00 am Chica Room</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Intermediate</b> 6:00 pm Grande Room</p> <p><b>Master Planning Committee</b> 6:30 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Beginner</b> 7:00 pm Grande Room</p>	<p>15</p> <p><b>Water Aerobics</b> 7:30 am Saratoga Pool</p> <p><b>Healing Yoga</b> 8:15 am Grande Room</p> <p><b>Retirees' Game Day</b> 1:00 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 pm Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Aqua Zumba</b> 6:30 pm La Casita Pool</p> <p><b>Board of Director's Meeting</b> 7:00 pm Grande Room</p>	<p>16</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Bunco</b> 6:30 pm Saratoga Room</p>	<p>Sunday 18</p>
<p>19</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Water Aerobics</b> 7:30 am Saratoga Pool</p> <p><b>Retirees' Board Meeting</b> 9:00 am Grande Room</p> <p><b>Bridge</b> 12:30 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Yoga for Beginners</b> 5:30 pm Saratoga Room</p>	<p>20</p> <p><b>Water Aerobics</b> 7:30 am Saratoga Pool</p> <p><b>Healing Yoga</b> 8:15 am Chica Room</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 pm Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Zumba</b> 6:30 pm Grande Room</p>	<p>21</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Water Aerobics</b> 7:30 am Saratoga Pool</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Beginner</b> 9:00 am Chica Room</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Intermediate</b> 10:00 am Chica Room</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Intermediate</b> 6:00 pm Grande Room</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Beginner</b> 7:00 pm Grande Room</p>	<p>22</p> <p><b>Water Aerobics</b> 7:30 am Saratoga Pool</p> <p><b>Healing Yoga</b> 8:15 am Grande Room</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 pm Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Laguna Village BOD Meeting</b> 6:30 pm Grande Room</p> <p><b>Aqua Zumba</b> 6:30 pm La Casita Pool</p>	<p>23</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Poker</b> 6:30 pm Saratoga Room</p>	<p><b>Dobson Condo Annual Meeting</b> 8:30 am Grande Room</p> <p>Sunday 25</p>
<p>26</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Water Aerobics</b> 7:30 am Saratoga Pool</p> <p><b>Bridge</b> 12:30 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Yoga for Beginners</b> 5:30 pm Saratoga Room</p> <p><b>Waterworks BOD Meeting</b> 5:30 pm Chica Room</p>	<p>27</p> <p><b>Water Aerobics</b> 7:30 am Saratoga Pool</p> <p><b>Healing Yoga</b> 8:15 am Chica Room</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 pm Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Zumba</b> 6:30 pm Grande Room</p> <p><b>Architectural Committee</b> 6:30 pm Chica Room</p>	<p>28</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Water Aerobics</b> 7:30 am Saratoga Pool</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Beginner</b> 9:00 am Chica Room</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Intermediate</b> 10:00 am Chica Room</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Intermediate</b> 6:00 pm Grande Room</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Beginner</b> 7:00 pm Grande Room</p>	<p>29</p> <p><b>Water Aerobics</b> 7:30 am Saratoga Pool</p> <p><b>Healing Yoga</b> 8:15 am Grande Room</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 pm Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Aqua Zumba</b> 6:30 pm La Casita Pool</p>	<p>30</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>A Matter of Balance</b> 12:30 pm Chica Room</p>	<p>Sunday 1</p>
<p>2</p> <p><b>Yoga for Beginners</b> 5:30 pm Saratoga Room</p> <p><b>LABOR Day</b></p> <p><b>La Casita Recreation Center</b> Open 10:00 am - 6:00 pm</p>	<p>3</p> <p><b>Water Aerobics</b> 7:30 am Saratoga Pool</p> <p><b>Healing Yoga</b> 8:15 am Chica Room</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 pm Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Zumba</b> 6:30 pm Grande Room</p>	<p>4</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Water Aerobics</b> 7:30 am Saratoga Pool</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Begin.</b> 9:00 am Chica Rm.</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Intermediate</b> 10:00 am Saratoga Room</p> <p><b>Lake Habitat Committee Mtg.</b> 5:30 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Intermediate</b> 6:00 pm Grande Room</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Beginner</b> 7:00 pm Grande</p>	<p>5</p> <p><b>Water Aerobics</b> 7:30 am Saratoga Pool</p> <p><b>Healing Yoga</b> 8:15 am Grande Room</p> <p><b>Retirees' Game Day</b> 1:00 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 pm Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Aqua Zumba</b> 6:30 pm La Casita Pool</p>	<p>6</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Water Aerobics</b> 7:30 am Saratoga Pool</p> <p><b>A Matter of Balance</b> 12:30 pm Chica Room</p>	<p>Sunday 8</p>
<p>9</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Water Aerobics</b> 7:30 am Saratoga Pool</p> <p><b>Retirees' General Meeting</b> 8:00 am Grande Room</p> <p><b>Marketing Committee Meeting</b> 8:30 am Chica Room</p> <p><b>Bridge</b> 12:30 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Yoga for Beginners</b> 5:30 pm Saratoga Room</p> <p><b>Water Management Meeting</b> 5:30 pm Chica Room</p>	<p>10</p> <p><b>Water Aerobics</b> 7:30 am Saratoga Pool</p> <p><b>Healing Yoga</b> 8:15 am Chica Room</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 pm Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Zumba</b> 6:30 pm Grande Room</p> <p><b>Architectural Committee</b> 6:30 pm Chica Room</p>	<p>11</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Water Aerobics</b> 7:30 am Saratoga</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Begin.</b> 9:00 am Chica Rm.</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Intermed.</b> 10:00 am Chica Room</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Intermediate</b> 6:00 pm Grande Room</p> <p><b>Master Planning Committee</b> 6:30 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Beginner</b> 7:00 pm Grande</p>	<p>12</p> <p><b>Water Aerobics</b> 7:30 am Saratoga Pool</p> <p><b>Healing Yoga</b> 8:15 am Grande Room</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 pm Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Aqua Zumba</b> 6:30 pm La Casita Pool</p>	<p>13</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Water Aerobics</b> 7:30 am Saratoga Pool</p> <p><b>A Matter of Balance</b> 12:30 pm Chica Room</p>	<p>Sunday 15</p>
<p>16</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Water Aerobics</b> 7:30 am Saratoga Pool</p> <p><b>Retirees' Board Meeting</b> 9:00 am Grande Room</p> <p><b>Bridge</b> 12:30 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Yoga for Beginners</b> 5:30 pm Saratoga Room</p> <p><b>Budget and Finance Committee</b> 6:30 pm Grande Room</p>	<p>17</p> <p><b>Water Aerobics</b> 7:30 am Saratoga Pool</p> <p><b>Healing Yoga</b> 8:15 am Chica Room</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 pm Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Zumba</b> 6:30 pm Grande Room</p>	<p>18</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Water Aerobics</b> 7:30 am Saratoga Pool</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Beginner</b> 9:00 am Chica Room</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Intermediate</b> 10:00 am Chica Room</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Intermediate</b> 6:00 pm Grande Room</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Beginner</b> 7:00 pm Grande Room</p>	<p>19</p> <p><b>Water Aerobics</b> 7:30 am Saratoga Pool</p> <p><b>Healing Yoga</b> 8:15 am Grande Room</p> <p><b>Retirees' Game Day</b> 1:00 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Board of Directors Meeting</b> 4:00 pm Grande Room</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 pm Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Aqua Zumba</b> 6:30 pm La Casita Pool</p>	<p>20</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Water Aerobics</b> 7:30 am Saratoga Pool</p> <p><b>Bunco</b> 6:30 pm Saratoga Room</p>	<p> <b>15th Annual Dobson Ranch Golf Tournament</b> 7:00 am Dobson Ranch Golf Course</p> <p>Sunday 22</p>