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## HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

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## Director's Message



**By Lynelle Glysson**  
Executive Director

### Annual Meeting... The One to Attend!

You should have received the Annual Meeting letter by now. The **Annual Meeting of the Members** is the opportunity for the homeowners of Dobson Ranch to vote on who will represent them on the Board of Directors. You will be able to cast your vote online starting on March 2nd through April 14th. You may also request a paper ballot if you prefer to mail in your ballot via regular mail. Three Board seats are available, so be sure to read all about the new candidates in this issue of *Ranchers' RoundUp* as well as on the ballot itself.

The Annual Meeting is a festive event held at La Casita where good food with a Greek twist will be served and you can get caught up on all the happenings around Dobson Ranch with your friends and neighbors. **If you only attend one meeting this year, please attend this one!**

# ANNUAL MEETING



This meeting is specifically for the Members and not for Board business. There will be raffle prizes and we will again be giving additional raffle tickets to residents who give us their email address. Email is often the

speediest way to get important updates to our residents. We will also be sending more surveys out via email in the future and would like to include as many of our residents as possible.

Speaking of surveys, please be on the lookout for a survey regarding committee meeting times. The Board has heard on many occasions that committee meetings should be more accessible to residents who may not be able to attend daytime meetings. We will be sending out the survey by email with a few options for dates and times of committee meetings; in particular, the Master Planning Committee.

If you would like to be involved in making recommendations to the Board on how the amenities of the Association could be improved, remodeled, or changed in any way, the Master Planning Committee is the committee to join. Current projects that the Master Planning Committee are reviewing for recommendations are: the lights on Lake 1; new park benches and tables; and other Reserve Study items.

If you have any questions regarding the voting process or the committee meeting times survey, please contact me at [lglysson@dobsonranchhoa.com](mailto:lglysson@dobsonranchhoa.com).

## Water Awareness



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

### Fly Away Home

I stand corrected and admonished. The **2020 Dobson Ranch Spring Expo** will happen on April 4th at the La Casita Recreation Center. I don't know how I could have gotten the date wrong when I was preparing last month's article for the *Ranchers' Roundup*, but I did. Just to make sure, this year's edition of the Spring Expo starts at 8:00 am and runs until 11:00 am on **April 4, 2020**. There'll be plenty of activities for young and old, things to experience and Retirees' Club pancakes to enjoy. Read my lips, April 4th. 

The **13th Annual SRP Water Conservation Expo** held earlier this month was a huge event with all kinds of water conservation activities. The ongoing effort by SRP to infuse smart irrigation controllers continued with two outstanding products that are offered at very affordable prices. The controllers being offered are connected via WiFi to servers that provide a full range of services. They connect via your WiFi to those servers to provide backup for your irrigation settings and return accurate weather information your smart controller can use to adjust the watering schedule most suitable to your yard.

Last year SRP introduced the **Rachio 3** WiFi smart irrigation controller. The Ranch has now had a Rachio controlling the irrigation at La Casita for three years. When a change is needed, just a simple call to the Rachio App from anywhere and the change requested is instantly made. Yes, with these new controllers, a WiFi connection is needed. So, before purchasing the Rachio or the new **Hunter Pro** check to see if there is a suitable signal at the new controller location. Come to the April 4th Spring Expo and see how the Ranch can match the same price offered at the SRP event. 

New this year is the **Hunter Pro** six-station outdoor smart irrigation controller. Hunter is a respected name in irrigation systems, and they are now introducing a residential controller that, using WiFi technology, connects to a remote server to run programs to maximize the irrigation of your home landscape. One feature of these new controllers is the ability to let your landscape provider dial into the controller and adjust the settings for you. 

Last year's Spring Expo was loaded with interesting products and information. It was full of kids and kids full of pancakes. Be sure to read the Spring Expo article on page 27 and come out to the Expo on April 4th. At the end of the Expo there is the **Ladybug Release** where all the children get their own handful of ladybugs to release and "Fly Away Home." 



**Thursday, March 19, 2020:**  
**Candidate Forum - 6:30 pm**  
**Board of Director's Open Session Meeting - 7:00 pm**  
**La Casita Recreation Center, Grande Room, 2719 S. Reyes**



## Message From the Editor



**By Nancy Roggio**  
Communications Manager/RoundUp Editor

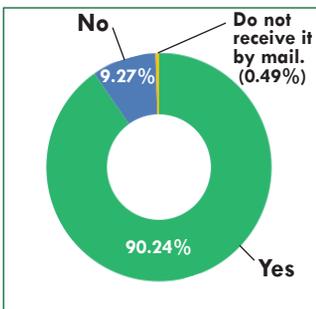
### The results are in!

More than 200 of you took the time to answer a few questions pertaining to **Ranchers' RoundUp**. Here's what you had to say...

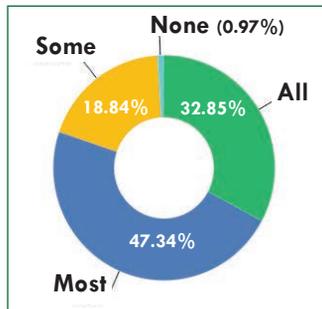


# Ranchers' RoundUp Readers' Survey Results

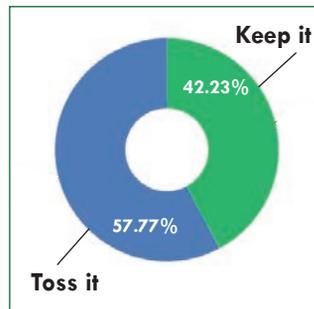
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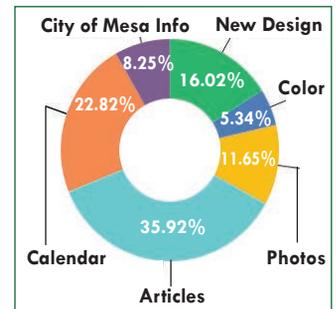
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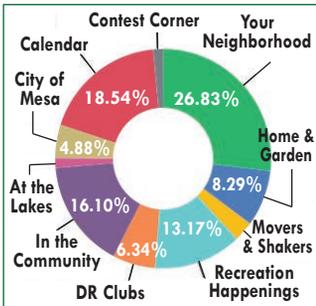
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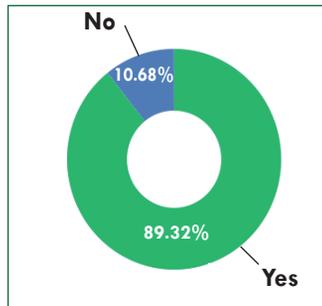
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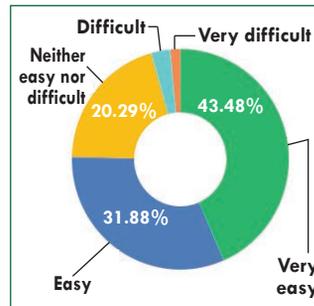
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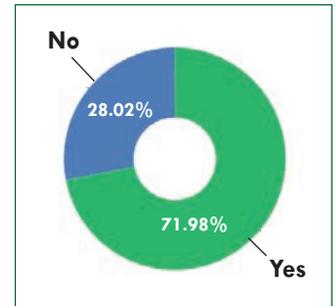
**Q6: Do you feel the information in each issue of RoundUp is timely and relevant?**



**Q7: How easy is it to find information in the Ranchers' RoundUp?**



**Q8: Have you used any products or services of our advertisers?**



**Q9: What other types of information would you like the Ranchers' RoundUp to include?**

The responses to this question ran the gamut from adding recipes and a Kids' Corner to the magazine, to adding updates on projects that the Ranch Committees are currently undertaking. Our readers want to know more about the Ranch's long-term plans, more updates on board meetings and decisions made, and more information on HOA policies and procedures. They want to read city news that affects their community that they would not know about otherwise.

Because there were a few comments made regarding the cost of the 40-page full-color publication and what it is costing the homeowner, I would like to remind everyone that **the revenue generated by the display and classified advertisements in each issue pays all of the printing costs and most of the mailing costs as well.**

Many of your suggestions will be implemented in future issues of **RoundUp**. I have included an article on the Dobson Ranch real estate market in this issue as well as an article on Mesa's Asian

District as a direct result of suggestions made in the survey.

**Q10: Do you have any additional comments or suggestions for future issues of Ranchers' RoundUp?**

Some of you requested that the **RoundUp** be sent out earlier in the month. Please note that the magazine delivery date has already been moved up from the 15th of the month to the 10th of the month for the last several months.

A few of you wanted the option to read the publication online instead of having it mailed to their homes to save paper. If you wish to have your address taken off our mailing list, please email [nroggio@dobsonranch.com](mailto:nroggio@dobsonranch.com). Each issue is posted on our website on or before the 10th of the month.

A large majority of the responses to this question were very positive and I wanted to share a few of them with you: "The new look and the great photos are worth it." "Keep it coming. Very useful and informative." "The new format and content of the RoundUp is a dramatic improvement from the past!" "We have a top of the line paper at Dobson Ranch."



# DOBSON ♦ RANCH

## THE DOBSON ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS APRIL 14, 2020

### CANDIDATES

Candidate bios have been included in the February and March 2020 issues of *Ranchers' RoundUp*.

### CANDIDATE FORUM

Join us Thursday, March 19 at 6:30 pm at La Casita, 2719 S. Reyes in the Grande Room, prior to the Board of Director's Meeting.

The Board Candidates will be in attendance to request your votes and respond to questions from the audience.

### ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS

Tuesday, April 14, 2020  
Meeting begins at 7:00 pm at La Casita, 2719 S. Reyes in the Grande Room.  
Food and refreshments will be served at 5:30 pm. Online voting closes at 6:30 pm.

To apply online or print an application form:  
[dobsonranchhoa.com/join-the-board-of-directors](http://dobsonranchhoa.com/join-the-board-of-directors)

The 2020 Board of Directors election will utilize online voting. A notice has been mailed to homeowners with all the details earlier this month. Election results will be announced at the Annual Meeting of the Members on April 14, 2020.





## MEET THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS CANDIDATES

### Elisabeth Durnan

**Do you regularly attend Dobson Ranch HOA Board Meetings?**  
Yes.

**What is your motivation for running for the Board of Directors?**

Continue making Dobson Ranch as the best place to live, safe neighborhood and protect our property value. I would like to create fun and exciting events for our members so we can get to know our neighbors better. We have some new houses sold in the past years and new members have coming in. It's always good to gather everyone so we can get to know our neighbor/member better. I have 10 years experience serving as board director in my previous home and would like to contribute my time and experiences in Dobson Ranch HOA.

**What activities, events, programs, and/or amenities do you enjoy at Dobson Ranch?**

The lake, park and fitness center.

**As you look at the Dobson Ranch community, what specific challenges do you see facing the HOA?**

Improve the safety of the neighborhood and provide better communication to the members.

**Autobiography:**

My name is Elisabeth Durnan (*Liz*). I recently moved to Dobson Ranch from Tempe area. I was a board director for 10 years in my previous home and would like to serve in the Dobson Ranch HOA. For the past seven years, I work as a Project Manager in an automotive industry. I received my Electrical Engineering degree from Griffith University in Australia and moved to Arizona for work in 2006 and have called AZ my HOME ever since. My 2 boys and I love Dobson Ranch, especially the lake and the park where they can play, bike, and do sports. I would like to contribute my time and experience to this beautiful community and continue making Dobson Ranch the best place to live. I look forward to meeting everyone in the general meeting.



### Sandra Murray

**Do you regularly attend Dobson Ranch HOA Board Meetings?**  
Yes.

**What is your motivation for running for the Board of Directors?**

I have been a board member for several years and have served as both Board President and Vice President I look forward to seeing us continue the gains we have made in the last few months.

As a board member, I want to continue working with our Marketing Committee on our new website. On Master Planning, my goal is to see us complete updating our parks (ex: benches, tables, garbage cans and signs).

**What activities, events, programs, and/or amenities do you enjoy at Dobson Ranch?**

Our pools, tennis courts, parks, lakes and numerous clubs give our residents so many opportunities to enjoy living here. My family has used most of the facilities including our great Summer Camp. A boat ride at Christmas is a yearly tradition for us. The *Ranchers' RoundUp* is a wonderful source of information for activities available.

**As you look at the Dobson Ranch community, what specific challenges do you see facing the HOA?**

As Dobson Ranch ages, we need to focus on maintaining and improving our facilities. Enhancing home values is a primary responsibility of the board and we need to do our job. We need to maintain a balanced budget, retain our staff and continue our relationship with the City of Mesa.

**Autobiography:**

I have lived in Dobson Ranch since 1985. I am married and have 2 daughters, son-in-law and 5 grandchildren. I retired from Century Link with 7 years of service in Sales and Marketing. I have volunteered at Paz de Cristo, Seton Catholic High School, St. Timothy Catholic School, 4H Pima County Fair and The Phoenix Open.



NOTE: Answers given by Board Candidates have not be edited and are posted exactly as they were written on their application forms.



## Kathleen Tolar

**Do you regularly attend Dobson Ranch HOA Board Meetings?**

No.

**What is your motivation for running for the Board of Directors?**

I would like to become more involved in the local community, as I have the time and interest. I want to work to ensure that property values in this area are maintained.

In addition, I appreciate the many amenities offered by Dobson Ranch and want to make sure that we continue to provide the same level of amenities and services that have been enjoyed by this community over the years, as well as being open to new ideas that will help the community continue to grow.

**What activities, events, programs, and/or amenities do you enjoy at Dobson Ranch?**

My husband and I have lived on Lake 7 for over 25 years, and therefore have taken advantage of many of the amenities offered by the Ranch. Our children swam for the Dobson Dolphins and often visited the Library and tennis courts. As lake residents, we enjoy boating and fishing and have participated in the boat parade and our lake's clean up. We have also rented Saratoga Lakes for parties and have taken our grandchildren to La Casita for the splash pad and swimming, and to Laguna Park for the many activities offered there.

**As you look at the Dobson Ranch community, what specific challenges do you see facing the HOA?**

In order to maintain a thriving community that people are drawn to, we have to offer amenities that young families will enjoy, as well as those that will attract retirees. This means maintaining our pools, tennis courts and other facilities, as well as continuing to be concerned about the appearance of the community which includes the signage, parks and landscaping. Since the DR's lakes are emblematic of this community, the upkeep of a healthy ecosystem in the lakes is a vital concern. Being involved in local and state political discussions is important as water shortages threaten to become real Valley issues.

### **Autobiography:**

I was born in St. Paul, MN, and raised in the Detroit and Chicago area suburbs. I attended Purdue University, obtaining my BS, and moved with my new husband, in 1974, to the Valley, where I attended ASU for my master's degree in Educational Leadership. I taught elementary school for 25+ years in Mesa, and worked in administration and as a principal for another 12 years in the district. Upon retiring, I went to real estate school and was an agent for Century 21 for three years. Currently, I volunteer weekly at Summit Academy, where 2 of my 7 grandchildren attend school, as well as at 2 other elementary schools in the Valley, and I am a member of the Phoenix Zoo Auxiliary.



## Michael Snedeker

**Do you regularly attend Dobson Ranch HOA Board Meetings?**

Yes.

**What is your motivation for running for the Board of Directors?**

I have served as an interim Director for the past six months. I would like to use this experience to develop continuity on this relatively new group of managers. I am also an active member of the Master Planning Committee. I bring a wealth of long term managerial experience, maturity, and organizational skills in the manufacturing industry to this volunteer position. As a 37 year resident of Dobson Ranch, my motivation for running is to continue my involvement in this community, improve property values, and maintain Dobson Ranch as a desirable location in which to raise a family.

**What activities, events, programs, and/or amenities do you enjoy at Dobson Ranch?**

I raised my family on Dobson Ranch and some of my kids were on the Dobson Dolphins Swim Team and were involved with the summer programs offered by the Recreation Department. I have attended the Ice Cream Socials, Pancake Breakfasts, and made use of the parks over the years. My children have attended Alma Elementary School, Rhodes Jr. High, and Dobson High. For many years I coached Dobson Ranch area boys and girls youth baseball and basketball teams in the 1st through 8th grade age groups.

**As you look at the Dobson Ranch community, what specific challenges do you see facing the HOA?**

Dobson Ranch is an aging community and the primary challenges are maintaining the infrastructure (*clubhouses, pools, parks, tennis courts, common areas, etc.*) and enforcing the CC&Rs to maintain property values. This has to be a team effort between the Association and the homeowners and as a member of the Board I hope to achieve this objective. Another challenge is strong fiscal management to avoid wasteful spending and to continue to maintain the monthly assessment at an affordable level for the homeowners.

### **Autobiography:**

Born in California, I spent most of my formative years growing up in Saudi Arabia. I went to an international high school in Rome, Italy, prior to my parents relocating to Arizona in the early 1950s where I attended and graduated from ASU with a degree in Management. I spent my entire working career working in manufacturing management in the electronics industry and retired from Northrop Grumman in 2011. I have been married to my wife Denise for nearly 38 years and we have 4 children, 5 grandkids, and 2 great grandchildren. I am a sports nut (*primarily baseball*) and spend most of my free time attending and watching sporting events. My personal hobbies include reading and postage stamp collecting.





## New Residential Architectural Guidelines

The **Dobson Ranch Architectural Committee**, as you may know, has been reviewing the **Residential Architectural Guidelines**. In August of 2019, they reviewed the Guidelines in an open meeting. The proposed changes were sent to our attorney at the time for review. The DRAC made a recommendation to the Board for a new fine schedule which the board approved in October 2019. The DRAC then held a Workshop in February for resident comments and questions. Some of the suggestions were incorporated into the Guidelines. The DRAC then decided at their February 25th meeting to send the Guidelines to the current attorney for another full review.

In order to maintain transparency and open communication with the residents of Dobson Ranch, they have scheduled another **DRAC Workshop** to be held on March 31, 2020 at 6:30 pm in the Grande Room at La Casita. The updated draft of the Guidelines, including suggestions from the attorney review, if any, will be available on the website prior to the Workshop. The DRAC then expects to vote on the new Guidelines at their April 7, 2020 meeting at 6:30 pm. All their meetings are open, and all residents are welcome to attend.

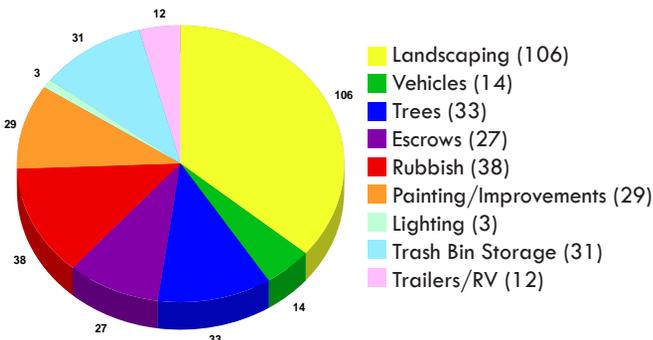
There will be more information in the April *RoundUp*. However, if the new Guidelines are approved, they will take effect on May 1, 2020. After they are approved, the final document will be posted to the website and you can request a printed or electronic copy by emailing me directly at: [lglysson@dobsonranch.com](mailto:lglysson@dobsonranch.com).

## CC&R Notices

CC&R Notices February 2020



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By Nancy Roggio

*Ranchers' RoundUp Editor*

The **Green Thumb Award** for March goes to the homeowners of **2242 S. Cottonwood** at the corner of Laguna Vista. This property caught my eye because it is bursting with an unusual collection of cacti.

This home's landscaping consists of a mix of desert palms, lush green barrel cacti, fuzzy pink mojave barrel cacti, and one of the most unique forms of cacti I've ever seen with horizontal and vertical appendages... Argentine Giant cacti!

Plus... the home is only steps away from Laguna Park! Dobson Ranch surely is **the best place to live!**



▲ Argentine Giant Cactus



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).



## 'Tis the Season... for WEEDS!

by Annie Vaugier, Code Compliance Supervisor



Whether you have them or you know those who do, weeds can be a never-ending hassle. Our number one complaint these days is of neighbors who have unsightly weeds that migrate over into the yards of others. Our challenge here in Dobson Ranch is in working with homeowners who are making an effort to comply with our Residential Architectural Guidelines that

state 2.12.3 CARE OF PROPERTIES: All lots in this subdivision shall be at all times kept free of rubbish and litter; weeds and grass shall be maintained as to present a tidy appearance.

News alert! There is no tidy appearance when it comes to weeds. They grow faster than you can control them, they snuff the life out of the healthy landscaping that you do want to maintain, and they cost the homeowner time and money to treat and/or eradicate. We feel your pain and are making every effort to keep the weed population under control.

The challenge in maintaining and/or eradicating weeds throughout Dobson Ranch to avoid a new or escalated

violation is in the overlap of a weed's lifecycle. Once you receive a Friendly Reminder, you only have a certain amount of time to remove the live and dead weeds. Whether you chemically treat the weeds or you begin manually pulling the weeds out by their roots, it takes time to rid an entire yard of weeds. In the meantime, the cycle continues and so does the spread of the weeds into neighboring areas.

We understand the challenge. We also acknowledge our responsibility of maintaining an aesthetic and tidy appearance of all properties within our association.

So what's the solution regarding weeds? Control the weeds in your yard as soon as they appear so the minimal amount of weeds don't overtake your yard. If they do get out of control and you receive notifications from Compliance, let us know where you are in your efforts to remove the weeds from your yard. It won't prevent the escalation of any violations, but we do want to work with you to minimize any additional violations and/or costs of fines if at all possible. If you let us know that the weeds have been removed, we will verify and close the violation.

It's probably safe to say that we are all in agreement that this is one season we will be glad to have come to a close!

## Understanding Your Quarterly Statement

by Lisa Morse, Finance Manager

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RE: 123 Main St  
Mesa, AZ 85202

### Statement

Date	Description	Ref#	Charges	Payment	Balance
Primary Ledger					
1/1/2020	Previous Balance				\$0.00
4/1/2020	April 2020 - Quarterly Assessment		\$138.00		\$138.00
4/20/2020	Current Account Balance				\$138.00

- The current account balance on the statement is the amount due for the current quarter.
- If the current account balance is in parentheses (), this indicates a CREDIT BALANCE and no payment is necessary at this time.
- Monthly ACH, Bill Pay and Credit/Debit Card payments of \$46.00 will continue to be honored. Please ensure that each monthly payment is received by the 20th of every month to avoid late fees.
- **There will be a change in payment methods coming soon. Please be on the alert for all correspondence regarding this change.**
- Second quarter statement will NOT reflect any payments received after 03/05/2020.

Watch for changes coming soon!

Pay this amount



## Landscaping Tips



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

### Tree Killers



Trees are the living foundation of a landscape and an investment in the future. Much of the success in growing a healthy tree and seeing it live to a mature age stems from tree selection and how the tree is treated at a very young age. Are you planting a liability or growing an asset? Here are a few of the top tree killers in our region to avoid - and how to avoid them.

#### 1. Wrong tree for the site

- Know the mature size and form of the proposed tree.
- Look up.
  - Don't plant a tree that will grow into power lines, block signs or otherwise create liabilities - it will be at risk for severe pruning or removal. Choose another tree.
- Know the root space needed for the tree.
  - Some trees have invasive roots, putting them at risk for root pruning that can damage the tree, or lead to tree removal to prevent property damage.
  - Many trees will not survive with restricted root space.

#### 2. Planting too deep

- Trees should be planted at or slightly above grade.
- Remove the mulch layer in the nursery pot before planting, to expose the root flare.
  - This is your planting depth. If planting more than one tree, each can have a different planting depth, even if they are growing in the same-sized container.
  - Don't cover the root flare with soil, mulch or decomposed granite.
- If the planting hole was dug too deep, adjust before planting and compact the soil beneath so the tree won't sink once watered in.

#### 3. Improper pruning

- Think twice, cut once.
- Young trees should be allowed to retain lower, temporary branches to feed the tree and help it get established sooner.
- Respect the natural shape of the tree and allow it as much as possible.
- Know the reason you are pruning and only prune what is needed.
- Don't remove more than 20% of the canopy at once.
  - Leaves are where the tree makes its food – don't starve the tree!
  - Over pruning can lead to trunk and branch sunburn.



#### SLM Workshops

If you want to learn more, ALCA presents several workshops this Spring regarding tree care including ACLP Planting & Tree Staking, ACLP Tree & Shrub pruning and the SLM workshop.



**PROTECT YOUR LANDSCAPE INVESTMENT**  
Is your landscaper SLM Certified?

### Homeowner Improvements

#### Architectural Applications February 2020

By Carole Stabile, Member Services Coordinator

**57 Applications \$418,400**

##### DOBSON PINES

Paint	\$ 28,000
Roof	\$ 9,000

##### DOBSON SHORES

Paint	\$ 4,000
Window Replacement	\$ 10,500
Landscape	\$ 10,400
Patio Cover	\$ 5,000
Shed	\$ 2,500

##### LAGUNA SHORES

Patio Cover	\$ 2,500
Solar System	\$ 19,000
Gate	\$ 5,800
Landscape	\$ 1,000
Garage Door Replacement	\$ 2,600
Landscape	\$ 3,800
Pergola	\$ 500

##### DOBSON RANCH UNIT I

Block Wall	\$ 6,922
Driveway Extension	\$ 1,000
Landscape	\$ 3,000
Roof	\$ 19,100
Stain RV Gate	\$ 100

##### DOBSON RANCH UNIT III

Paint	\$ 5,000
Roof	\$ 17,244

##### DOBSON RANCH UNIT V

Roof	\$ 26,664
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##### GOLDEN PALMS ESTATES

Pergola	\$ 280
Solar System	\$ 40,000

##### LAGUNA SHORES AMENDED

Roof	\$ 14,000
Landscape	\$ 8,000
Paint	\$ 9,300
Window Replacement	\$ 6,000
Pool Remodel	\$ 80,000

##### LOS ALTOS

Landscape	\$ 7,875
Paint	\$ 65
Front Door Replacement	\$ 2,000

##### SARATOGA LAKES

Landscape	\$ 1,000
Paint	\$ 8,000
Roof	\$ 19,900
Garage Door	\$ 1,100
Gutters & Paint	\$ 13,500

##### WESTPORT BAY

Landscape	\$ 14,000
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##### DOBSON RANCH UNIT 15

Gazebo	\$ 500
Shed	\$ 800

##### LAGUNA VILLAGE

Window Replacement	\$ 1,400
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##### KNOELL VILLA SOLANO

Block Wall	\$ 5,000
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##### BROOKEDGE ESTATES

Paint	\$ 50
Block Wall	\$ 2,000

### Home Sales

Trustee Properties:  
1 – House  
Home Sales: 39





## From the Recreation Director's Desk



**By Jesse Wright**

*Associate Director of Recreation*

The weather is starting to heat up and so are the Recreation Programs and events at Dobson Ranch HOA. Our **Spring Break Camp** will be held March 9th-13th at the Saratoga Recreation Center. If you are looking for something for the kiddos to do when they are on break look no further, it's coming up quick!

It's also that time of year for some Spring cleaning. Join us for our **Community Clean Up, Garage Sale** and **Shred** event on Saturday, March 14th. Plus, our popular **BYOB (Bring Your Own Bottle)** event will be back on Friday, March 27th. This event is for adults 21 and over only. Come enjoy a night out. We will have live music, hors d'oeuvres, and raffle prizes. This is a blind tasting, so bring your favorite wine or beer. Prizes will be given to the best wine (*red/white*) and beer (*light/dark*).

Kicking the month of April off, we have our **Pancake Breakfast** and **Spring Expo** on Saturday, April 4th. The retirees will be cooking up some tasty pancakes for only \$3 per plate. The Water Management Committee will have vendors outside to answer all of your water quality needs. I will be there, will you?

Easter will be here before we know it, so be sure to tell all of your family and friends about our two fun-filled Easter events. Our **Tween Egg Hunt**, which is geared for those pre-teens (9-13) in your life, is on Friday night, April 10th. We will also have our family-friendly **Easter Eggstravaganza** on Saturday, April 11 at Laguna Park. There are lots of Spring events to enjoy at Dobson Ranch HOA. Come out and have some fun!



### NOTICE TO ALL RESIDENTS:

La Casita Tennis Courts will be under construction beginning May 1, 2020. Completion is expected within two to three months from start date.

## RECREATION FACILITY HOURS:



### La Casita Recreation Center

2719 S. Reyes • 480-831-7464

Fall & Winter Hours:

Monday-Saturday 8:00 am - 7:00 pm  
Sunday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm



### Los Altos Recreation Center

2524 W. Campo Alegre

Fall & Winter Hours:

Monday-Saturday 8:00 am - 7:00 pm  
Sunday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm



### Saratoga Recreation Center

2345 S. Saratoga

Fall & Winter Hours:

Monday-Saturday 8:00 am - 7:00 pm  
Sunday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm



### Laguna Park

2455 W. Laguna Azul Avenue

Open year-round  
sunrise to sunset

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

**ADMISSION: You must bring either a bottle of red or white wine or a 6-pack or Growler of beer to enter into the tasting contest.**

- Wine and Beer Tasting!
- Prizes!
- Live Music by "Six String Anthem"

ID Required

# BYOB

21+ over event

## FRIDAY, MARCH 27

6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

## La Casita Recreation Center

Dobson Ranch Recreation Department • 480-831-7464 • [dobsonranch.com](http://dobsonranch.com)



**Sunday in the Park** Ranchers got comfy and cozy at Laguna Park while listening to the sounds of PEOPLE WHO COULD FLY.





**Stargazing** Due to cloudy skies, our Stargazing event was cancelled on February 28, but a new date has been set. See below.

# STARGAZING

## at Laguna Park

**NEW DATE:**  
**Friday, March 20**

- Telescopes supplied by **Stargazing for Everyone**
- Viewing of Saturn and the Moon
- Bring Your Blankets, Small Flashlights and Cameras
- **Presentation at 7:00 pm**
- **Viewing takes place until 9:00 pm** (weather permitting)

Dobson Ranch Recreation Department • 480-831-7464 • dobsonranch.com

**SAVE THE DATE!**

FEELING LUCKY? JOIN US FOR

# Casino Night

FRIDAY, MAY 15 - 6:00 - 9:00 PM  
LA CASITA GRANDE ROOM  
BLACK JACK, CRAPS, ROULETTE  
RAFFLE PRIZES - MUST BE 21 & OLDER!

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**SAVE THE DATE!**

Dobson Ranch

REGISTER EARLY  
March 13-April 27  
and SAVE!

# summer Camp Adventure

May 26 - July 31

La Casita Recreation Center  
7:30 am - 5:30 pm

Weekly Themes, Swimming, Arts & Crafts,  
Field Trips, Games, and much more!

Recreation Dept. • 480-831-7464 • dobsonranch.com




**Innovative Ideas & New Products**  
**SRP**

**Pancake Breakfast**  
8:00 - 10:00 am  
\$3 pp

**Local Vendors & Exhibitors**

**Activities for Kids**  
8:00 - 11:00 am

**LIVE! Ladybug Release**  
10:30 am

**Fun for the entire family!**  
**Bring your friends, too!**

**Don't miss it!**  
**Dobson Ranch**  
**SPRING**  
**EXPO**

**Saturday, April 4, 2020**  
**8:00 am - 11:00 am**  
**La Casita Rec Center**  
**2719 S. Reyes**

**\$3 per person (cash only)**  
**Kids under 2 FREE!**

**Bring your family and friends!**

**Pancake Breakfast**

**SATURDAY**  
**April 4, 2020**  
**8:00-10:00 am**  
La Casita Rec. Center  
2719 S. Reyes

**Sponsored by the Retirees' Club and held in conjunction with the Spring Expo!**





Ages 9-13

# between Egg Hunt

Friday, April 10  
7:15 pm Laguna Park



Bring your flashlight to find GOLDEN EGGS to win prizes!

Enter to win awesome RAFFLE PRIZES!

Enjoy a SWEET TREAT!



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# Easter EGGSTRAVAGANZA

SATURDAY, APRIL 11 • 10 AM - 1 PM  
LAGUNA PARK

Food Trucks • Game & Crafts • Easter Bunny  
Egg Hunts • Bounce Houses



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## 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).

### 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



Healing Yoga

Hard to get up off the floor? Body having a hard time moving? 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! 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: 5838 (April 1 - June 30)  
 Instructor: Nancy  
 When: MON./WED./FRI. 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! \*

### FAIRYTALE DANCERS (AGES 3-5)

Code: 5835  
 When: Thursdays (April 16 - May 21)  
 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: 5837  
 When: Thursdays (April 16 - May 21)  
 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: 5836  
 When: Tuesdays (April 14 - May 19)  
 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.*



### ACTIVITIES

#### TEXAS HOLD'EM TOURNAMENT STYLE

When: 4th Friday of month (March 27)  
 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 (March 20)  
 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.



**GET YOUR PUNCH CARDS FOR RECREATION CLASSES AT LA CASITA**

**\* 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.**



## 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 [dobsonranch.com](http://dobsonranch.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, April 6, 13, 20, 27 **5816 \$40 R/\$60 NR**

Wednesday, April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 **5817 \$50 R/\$75 NR**

#### Adult Beginner to Advanced Beginner

This class is for players who would like to learn the game or improve on their limited skills and get some fun exercise while doing so. Players will learn scoring to actual game playing and doing drills to help with self-improvement. Racket and balls will be provided.

**8:00 pm - 9:30 pm** | Sessions: Monthly

Tuesday, April 7, 14, 21, 28 **5818 \$40 R/\$60 NR**

Thursday, April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 **5819 \$50 R/\$75 NR**

#### Adult 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, April 6, 13, 20, 27 **5820 \$40 R/\$60 NR**

Wednesday, April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 **5821 \$50 R/\$75 NR**

### Adult 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.

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

Saturday, April 4, 11, 18, 25 **5822 \$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 students to reach a higher level of play and learn to love a sport they will play for a lifetime. Bring a friend!

#### Junior Clinic

This class is for junior tennis players ages 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, April 6, 13, 20, 27 **5812 \$40 R/\$60 NR**

Wednesday, April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 **5813 \$50 R/\$75 NR**

**5:30 pm - 6:30 pm** | Sessions: Monthly

Tuesday, April 7, 14, 21, 28 **5814 \$40 R/\$60 NR**

Thursday, April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 **5815 \$50 R/\$75 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 | 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm**

\*April Social 4/18

**FREE!** Adults 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 Young** 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.



## Proper Breathing: Tennis Tip for March



**By Kwong Young - USPTA Tennis Professional/  
Dobson Ranch Tennis Professional**

Proper breathing plays an important part of your tennis performance. You will notice professional players grunt or make some type of loud sound as they strike the ball and that is due to exhaling and, for some, this will help with better performance and timing.

During play, you may get a bit tired and winded, therefore you must take a moment to control your breathing and slow your heart rate so you can continue better play performance. It will also help you think clearly without the need to be gasping for air, at which time your opponent can gain the upper hand.

Proper breathing as you play tennis is a skill that you need to master if you want to take your game to the next level.



## 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' by 3' 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 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



## NOW AVAILABLE! ODYSEA ADVANTAGE DISCOUNT TICKETS

ATTRACTION	TICKET PRICE	ADVANTAGE PRICE
<b>OdySea Aquarium</b>		
Adult/Child (2-12 yrs.)	\$39.95/\$29.95	\$25.95/\$22.95
<b>Butterfly Wonderland</b>		
Adult/Child (2-12 yrs.)	\$24.95/\$13.95	\$20.95/\$12.95
<b>Titanic: The Artifact Exhibition</b>		
Adult/Child (2-12 yrs.)	\$24.95/\$14.95	\$15.95/\$14.95
<b>Surprise Your Eyes</b>		
Adult or Child	\$15.00	\$8.00
<b>Polar Play</b>		
Adult/Child (2-12 yrs.)	\$20.00/\$16.00	\$8.00/\$6.00

Visit [dobsonranchhoa.com/discounted-tickets](http://dobsonranchhoa.com/discounted-tickets) for details.

## 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**



# SUNSET PLAZA SETS THE STAGE



The perfect outdoor venue for that special occasion with stage, flexible seating areas, built-in brick dance floor, lush landscaping, refreshing misters, and easy access to Dobson Ranch Grande Room with kitchen.

Call the Recreation Dept. at 480-831-7464 to book.



## SELL IT! DUMP IT! SHRED IT!



**SATURDAY  
MARCH  
14**

# 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, March 6. Maps and lists will be available on Thursday, March 12.

### 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 and La Casita Parking Lots.** Drop off boxes of paper to be shredded. Paper clips and staples OK. No plastic bags.

**FLICK n FLOAT**

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
Friday, June 5 at Sunset  
Los Altos Recreation Center  
2524 W. Campo Alegre

Disney  
**FROZEN II**

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*Save the date!*

**FREE to All HOA Members**

**Build Your Own Ice Cream Sundaes**

**Swimming & Splashpad Fun**

**Raffle Prizes**

**ICE Cream Social**

**Friday, July 10**  
**6:00 - 8:00 pm\***  
**La Casita Rec. Center**  
**2719 S. Reyes**

\*while supplies last

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## Retirees' Club

By Frank Saavedra, President

The theme of our meeting in February was Valentine's Day. It has become a custom to give gifts of flowers and chocolate on Valentine's Day, and this custom was followed at the meeting. We had roses placed on all tables, and a chocolate fountain was available for dessert.

Our club functions through the volunteering of our membership. Some of our members have been providing so much over the years, and we try to recognize those who go above and beyond. This last month we recognized **Jack Armstrong** for the many things he has done and continues to do for our group.

Our meeting program was a follow-up from last month's program. Once again, we had Mesa Police Officers give us information about driver safety. The emphasis of the presentation was taking questions from the audience. In response to all the questions, we all gained a great deal of insight on the subject.

The program for next month will not be a program at all. We will hold an auction at our meeting to raise money to help the teachers at **Washington Elementary School**. Too often teachers dip into their own pockets to cover the cost of classroom items. We feel we need to help them cover those costs.

**God Bless You!**  
Frank

## Retirees' Schedule

### GENERAL MEETING

The Club's regular General Meeting will be held on Monday, April 6th at 9:30 am at La Casita Recreation Center.

### BOARD MEETING

The next Retirees' Board Meeting will be on Monday, April 20 at 9:00 am in the Grande Room at La Casita.

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	Donna Fox	513-720-7031
	Peggy Freund	480-227-2050
DINNER NIGHT OUT	Linda Kosko	480-510-4990
HAPPY HOUR	Tanya Andrew	602-723-9106
MEN'S BREAKFAST	Rick Donnelly	480-861-6864
MOVIE DAY	Judie Bielo	480-215-8656
FUN & GAME DAY	Judie Bielo	480-215-8656
LADIES LUNCH	Jeanne Collins	480-353-8604
BICYCLE RIDING	Arnie Chase	480-838-4124
HIKING	Barbara Stout	602-740-3213
PICNICS	Gerry/Susie Payne	480-225-1885

If you are interested in joining the Dobson Ranch Retirees' Club, please contact **Dovie Bryant** at [dlbryant1@cox.net](mailto:dlbryant1@cox.net).

Photos below are from the **Retirees' Club General Meeting**, which featured a safe driving presentation by Mesa Police Officers on February 3.





## Retirees' Hiking Club

By **Barbara Stout**, Retirees' Hiking Club Chairperson

Upcoming March hikes include:

**March 11** - Superstition Mountains: Dutchman Trail from First Water Trailhead in and out - **Pacers**.

**March 18** - South Mountain: Mormon Trail - **Pacers**, **National and Mormon Trail** - **Clippers**.

**March 25** - McDowell Mountains: Brown Mountain Trail - **Pacers**.

Each year, the **100 Miles in 100 Days Challenge** grows as we challenge park visitors to get outside and connect with nature. With more than 595 miles of trails, Maricopa County Regional Park System provides the perfect venue for hiking, trail running, mountain biking, and horseback riding. The goal of the self-guided challenge is to log 100 miles in 100 days (*200 miles for mountain bikers and/or horseback riders*); however, many individuals set personal goals going well beyond the 100 miles.

This year we had five people from the Dobson Ranch Retirees' Hikers Club take and complete the challenge. **I (Barbara)** logged 219 miles, **Pauline** logged 202 miles, **Brian** logged 100 miles, **Anita** logged 106 miles, and **Mary** logged 111 miles.

I want to congratulate each and every one completing the challenge and hopefully we will have more Ranchers complete the challenge next year. The challenge runs from the first of November to the first week of February.



Front row (l. to r.): Anita, Pauline and Barbara  
Back row (l. to r.): Brian and Mary

Happy trails! - Barbara

## Women's Club

By **Patty Smith**, Women's Club President

It is **Spring Training** time again. This is a fun time to go to the different ballparks and feel like a kid again. It is special having so many teams in our "backyard." **PLAY BALL!**

**BUNCO** was hosted by **Lynn E.** Besides having a fun time, she always makes some yummy treats. Thank you, Lynn! March Bunco will be on March 20 and **Tanya** will be our hostess. **Laurie** will be sending out the information.

Our **Out to Lunch** group went to **La Famiglia**. Delizioso! This month we had lunch at **Intentional Foods (IF Café & Market)**.



**Ned and Lisa Rotner Heath** are the Chef and Owners. They were raised in our neighborhood. They began this specialty restaurant serving allergy-friendly products.

On a sad note, **Toby Clement** passed away at the end of January. Toby and Wendi Clement have been longtime residents of Dobson Ranch. Wendi was a major part of our Women's Club for many, many years. She was President and held other positions. Toby and Wendi were very generous supporters and auctioneers on our many scholarship and charitable fundraisers. We extend our sincere condolences and prayers to the Clement Family.

Gary and I would like to thank you all for the wonderful heartfelt thoughts and prayers in honor of Maryanne. Mom made it to 101 years young. She really enjoyed getting to know you and attending our meetings, lunches and Bunco. It was so nice for you all to welcome her into our Club. We appreciate your kindness and friendship.

Your prayers and thoughts are still needed for **Chris, Donna** and **Jacque**. These strong ladies **WILL** succeed in their battles.

Blessings - Patty

## Pickleball Club

By **Rich Bitner**, Recreation Committee Pickleball Representative

Our **Valentine's Day Tournament** on February 1st was a huge success, with 8 Mixed Doubles teams enjoying spirited competition and some really great Valentine's chocolates and snacks.

Many of our players are scoring well and medaling in regional tournaments around the Valley. Quite a few of us continue to enjoy play in the EVIL and APPL leagues into late March.

Our "Winter" hours continue until the heat is on again: 8:00 am start for morning play on Monday and Saturday mornings. Evening play will continue at 7:00 pm throughout the Winter on Tuesdays if we can get a quorum together, and for our social group play on Monday and Thursday evenings.

For schedule updates please check the DR 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 regarding pickleball schedules and activities. Please contact **Donna Moran** at [donna85202@gmail.com](mailto:donna85202@gmail.com) to get on her email list for Monday and Thursday night play.

Remember Dobson Ranch has six courts at the Los Altos Community Center that are available to residents and their guests anytime between 7:00 am and 10:00 pm daily year-round.





## 40 Years and Still Splashing!

By Kathrine Blomquist, Dobson Dolphins Board President



What is your favorite sea animal? If you answered “dolphin” you are not alone – Dobson Ranch is home to hundreds, if not thousands of them. This Summer marks the **40th Anniversary Season** of the **Dobson Dolphins Swim Team!**

Comprised of school-aged kids 5-18 years old, the **Dobson Dolphins** is our neighborhood swim team. The team practices at Los Altos pool and competes with other teams in the East Valley Swim League throughout the Summer. Team members experience the joy of swimming; they have the chance to increase their level of physical fitness, build self-confidence, and develop and refine important swimming skills.

Registration costs are low to ensure that all area kids have the opportunity to enjoy a safe, affordable, and fun Summer activity. Thank you to the **Dobson Ranch HOA**, the **Mesa HoHoKams**, and **Dance 101** for financially supporting the 2020 season. A special thank you goes to all the families that participated during the past 40 years. Many former swimmers now have their own children on the team!

In-person registration for the 2020 season is Saturday, April 25, 9:00 am to noon at La Casita and online registration opens that afternoon. Other events during this milestone season include a 40th Anniversary Celebration, fundraisers, and the annual Awards Ceremony. Be sure to come cheer on the team! Registration and sponsorship information is available at [DobsonDolphins.com](http://DobsonDolphins.com) or email [DobsonDolphinsAZ@gmail.com](mailto:DobsonDolphinsAZ@gmail.com).

## Dobson Ranch Democrats & Friends Club

By Jill Snyder, Treasurer

**WHEN: Wednesday, April 8, 2020**

6:00 – 6:30 pm Networking

6:30 – 8:00 pm Meeting and Program

**WHERE: Goody's Restaurant**

1862 W. Baseline Road  
Mesa, AZ 85202

(NW corner, across from Albertson's.  
Light refreshments provided. Cash bar.)



### MEETING SPEAKERS:

- **Jevin Hodge**, candidate for Maricopa County Board of Supervisors.
- **Paul Penzone**, current Maricopa County Sheriff. Running for re-election against Joe Arpaio.

**We welcome you to our open meetings!**

As always, we 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 **Jill Snyder** 617-504-3990 or [jillsny@gmail.com](mailto:jillsny@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>



## Dobson Ranch Independents

By Jack Wagner, Chairman

Today, when it comes to voting, it is not a popularity contest. It is not about seeing an ad and casting a vote because of that ad.

Today, when you cast your vote, consider what policies are being supported by the candidate. Are they good for the country, the community and its citizens?

Today, there is a very viable alternative in voting; representing a significant percentage of the voting population.

I encourage you to get involved; for where there is **involvement**, there is **commitment**, and with that commitment, eventually comes **RESULTS!**

You may wish to check out the following websites:

<http://independencearizona.com>

<https://www.independentamericanparty.org>

As my Dad said, “Son, do what you gotta do!”

Contact information:

[golfingjack@msn.com](mailto:golfingjack@msn.com)

[70sglfr@gmail.com](mailto:70sglfr@gmail.com)

**Jack Wagner**, a Dobson Ranch resident since 1979.



## Dobson Ranch Republicans

By Bob Schuster, Chairman & Michelle Masters, Vice-Chairman

With the 2020 campaign season now in full swing, it is more important than ever to meet and hear from the candidates in person. We have candidates scheduled to meet with us at each of our upcoming meetings this Spring. There will be ample opportunity to hear from them and ask them questions. We meet the first Thursday of each month in the community room at **Native Grill & Wings**, 1837 W Guadalupe Road, Mesa. If you share the conservative principles of limited government and more freedom, please come out and enjoy Native's good food and meet the Republican candidates!

**Our next meeting:**

**WHEN: Thursday, April 2, 2020**

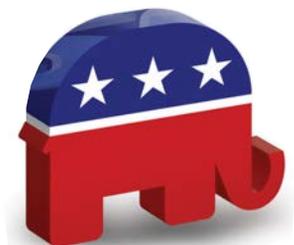
6:30 - 7:00 pm Meet, Greet and Eat (no host)

7:00 - 8:30 pm Guest Speakers, Q&A, Open Discussion

**WHERE: Native Grill & Wings**

1837 W. Guadalupe Road  
Mesa, AZ 85202

**Get connected:** Join our email list to stay up-to-date on meeting highlights, including guest speakers at [www.DobsonRanchGOP@gmail.com](mailto:www.DobsonRanchGOP@gmail.com) and visit our **Facebook** page at [Facebook.com/DobsonRanchRepublicans](https://Facebook.com/DobsonRanchRepublicans)





## Programs at the Dobson Ranch Library

March 12, 2020 - March 28, 2020

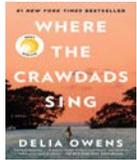


### ToddlerTime

Thursday, March 12, 2020

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

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



### Fiction Folks

Thursday, March 12, 2020

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm - Dobson Meeting Room

March's discussion book is *New York Times* Bestseller *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens. Adults.

### Code Commanders

Thursday, March 12, 2020

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm - Dobson Meeting Room

Code Commanders is a weekly series that challenges and builds its young users' understanding of how coding works. Ages 8-12.



### Teen Movie Party: Mean Girls

Thursday, March 12, 2020

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm - Dobson Meeting Room

Interact with this cult classic with props and themed snacks. A new student joins a snobby clique. Paramount Pictures. Rated PG-13.

### Shake, Boogie and Bop!

Friday, March 13, 2020

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

Dance, sing and rhyme -- it's always a good time. Ages 2-5.



### Chinese Storytime

Saturday, March 14, 2020

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

Join us for Chinese songs, books and other silliness. This Storytime is in Mandarin Chinese, but all are welcome. Ages 0-5.

### Documentary Photography Fundamentals

Saturday, March 14, 2020

3:00 pm - 4:45 pm - Dobson Meeting Room

Join local photographer **Amy Dangerfield** for a workshop about basic photo composition rules. This workshop will focus on cameras with manual settings.

### Sign Language Storytime

Tuesday, March 17, 2020

9:15 am - 10:00 am - Dobson Meeting Room

Baby/Toddler Signs encourages language and brain development through songs, stories, and play in American Sign Language. Learning signs can promote long-term cognitive benefits for future learning. Birth-4.



### Preschool Storytime

Tuesday, March 17, 2020

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, March 18, 2020

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

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



### Preschool Storytime

Wednesday, March 18, 2020

1:00 pm - 1:30 pm - 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.

### ToddlerTime

Thursday, March 19, 2020

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

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



### Code Commanders

Thursday, March 19, 2020

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm - Dobson Meeting Room

Code Commanders is a weekly series that challenges and builds its young users' understanding of how coding works. Ages 8-12.



### Craft Night: Bird Feeders

Thursday, March 19, 2020

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

This month we'll be making liquid and seed bird feeders for our feathered friends. Teens and Adults.

### K-Code Storytime

Friday, March 20, 2020

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.



### Buying Your First House

Saturday, March 21, 2020

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

While buying your first house is exciting and something to be proud of, it can be a confusing and complicated process that can leave you feeling intimidated. By attending this first-time home buyer seminar you can alleviate some of the anxiety that comes with purchasing your first home.



### Paws2Read

Saturday, March 21, 2020

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Dogs like books, too! Paws2Read pairs Delta-registered therapy animals and their handlers with young readers ranging from first to tenth grades.

### Writers in Residence Consultation Hours

Saturday, March 21, 2020

12:30 pm - 3:00 pm - Small Study Space 2

The Mesa Public Library is hosting bestselling author and writing coach **Dane McCaslin** as its very own Writer in Residence. Dane will use the library as her workspace and hold one-on-one consultation hours to help aspiring authors fine-tune their work. Be sure to book your appointment online.



### Android Basics

Saturday, March 21, 2020

3:00 pm - 4:30 pm - Dobson Meeting Room

Using an Android tablet, Kindle Fire or smartphone, discover how to change settings, move icons, put your machine to sleep or turn it off, and connect to Wi-Fi.



### Sign Language Storytime

Tuesday, March 24, 2020

9:15 am - 10:00 am - Dobson Meeting Room

Baby/Toddler Signs encourages language and brain development through songs, stories, and play in American Sign Language. Learning signs can promote long-term cognitive benefits for future learning. Birth-4.

### Preschool Storytime

Tuesday, March 24, 2020

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, March 25, 2020

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

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

### Preschool Storytime

Wednesday, March 25, 2020

1:00 pm - 1:30 pm - 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.



### Toddler Time

Thursday, March 26, 2020

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.

### Code Commanders

Thursday, March 26, 2020

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm - Dobson Meeting Room

Code Commanders is a weekly series that challenges and builds its young users' understanding of how coding works. Ages 8-12.



### Shake, Boogie and Bop!

Friday, March 13, 2020

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

Dance, sing and rhyme -- it's always a good time. Ages 2-5.



### Lego Club

Saturday, March 28, 2020

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 will be provided.

Visit [mesalibrary.org/events](http://mesalibrary.org/events) for more event listings during March.



**LIBRARY HOURS**  
Monday - Thursday:  
10:00 am - 8:00 pm  
Friday & Saturday:  
10:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Sunday - CLOSED

Dobson Ranch Library • 2425 S. Dobson Road, Mesa, AZ • 480-644-3100

## Mesa Chamber of Commerce Events



### Taste of Mesa Hosted by The Cliffs,

A 55+ Community

Tuesday, March 17, 2020

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

The Cliffs - 3300 E. Broadway Road, Mesa

Relax from a hard day's work with an

opportunity to meet your fellow Chamber members for a drink and some delicious appetizers. **Taste of Mesa** is the premiere evening networking event in Mesa. Mix and mingle with your business peers and expand your contact network for a great night.



### Ribbon Cutting - Monte Vista Village Resort

Wednesday, March 18, 2020

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Monte Vista Village Resort - 8865 E. Baseline Road, Mesa

Join us for this great opportunity to meet new local businesses and celebrate the success of

Monte Vista Village Resort. Monte Vista Village is a beautiful Arizona RV resort located in the desert of Mesa with breathtaking views of the mountains. With two swimming pools, eight tennis courts, a softball field, putting green, and an art studio, there's always plenty to do. Ribbon cutting is at 11:15 am. The community is invited to attend.



### Women's Business Connection

Tuesday, March 24, 2020

11:30 am - 1:00 pm

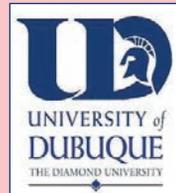
Holiday Inn and Suites

1600 S. Country Club Drive, Mesa

The Women's Business Connection provides

information and a networking forum for professional women looking to enhance their

business skills. Includes lunch, networking and a speaker presentation.



### Ribbon Cutting/Open House - The University of Dubuque

Wednesday, March 25, 2020

9:00 am - 11:00 am

The University of Dubuque -

2900 S. Diablo Way, Suite D281, Tempe

Founded in 1852, The University of

Dubuque-Tempe is the first Iowa based

learning institution located out of its state. While the main campus hosts 2,100 younger students

annually, this remote program is

called LIFE for "Learning Institution

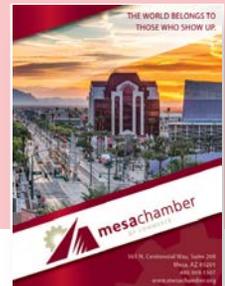
for Fulfillment and Engagement" and

is focused on learning adults 23

years old and older. Ribbon cutting

will be at 9:30 am. The community is

invited to attend.



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).



## Creating Well-Rounded Healthy Students

by Laurie Struna, Media Communications Specialist, Communications and Engagement/MPS



Studies show that physical inactivity and obesity have replaced smoking as the leading factors that cause heart disease. Mesa Public Schools is taking a proactive approach to ensuring students are healthy for years to come.

The district is committed to creating comprehensive healthy school communities. This is evident in the district's record-breaking showing on the list of **America's Healthiest**

**Schools.** Mesa Public Schools has 53 schools on the list, more than any other district in the nation. Through programming including physical education, recess activities, classroom movement breaks and healthy nutrition, district schools support the whole child.

"Our elementary PE program curriculum aligns with national, state and district standards and are taught by highly qualified, state-certified teachers," says **Debra Pangrazi**, elementary PE specialist. "Students receive more than 25 units of skill-specific instruction designed to engage students in fun ways."

Students participate in PE twice a week. The 30-minute lessons include parachute fitness, cooperative games and climbing rock walls. Along with physical health, students develop confidence, kindness and respect for others through team-based activities.

### Activity boosts academics

Scientific evidence proves that when kids move, they learn. To encourage movement outside PE, students participate in morning and lunch recess to boost their health and brainpower. The food & nutrition department provides healthier breakfast and lunch options, while schools promote smart snacks.

Students take **HOPSports Brain Breaks**, which provide the benefits of physical activity without leaving the classroom. **Kris Burton**, *Hermosa Vista Elementary kindergarten teacher*, uses the short two-to-five minute, web-based activities for her

students when they start to get restless. Lessons include simulating riding on a roller coaster, racing around a track or walking through peanut butter.

"It re-energizes and refocuses them — they love it," says Burton, a 22-year teaching veteran who has been using the program since its inception.

Burton says when her students sit back down, they know it's time to regroup and focus on their lesson.

Students are encouraged to stay active outside of the school day. The district partners with the **City of Mesa Bicycle & Pedestrian Program** to provide student bike and helmet safety assemblies. During the 30-minute presentations, students learn about basic safety checks, rules of the road, proper bike gear and the importance of helmet safety.

### Keeping students safe

Mental health is also a key factor to student success. The 37 additional elementary counselors hired in Fall 2019 already have a positive impact on school campuses.

**Dr. Michael Garcia**, director of opportunity and achievement, shares that counselors implement schoolwide behavior and decision-making programs for all students, such as Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (**PBIS**), which reduce negative student behaviors.



Photos by **Tim Hacker**/Mesa Public Schools

"Having more counselors means we can identify students in crisis earlier and provide the support they need to thrive," Garcia says.

## Living Well with Dementia Summit on 3/28

The purpose of the Tempe Mayor Mitchell's **Dementia Friendly Task Force** is to make the City more accommodating for individuals, and their families, who suffer from Alzheimer's Disease and other forms of dementia. Monthly "Memory Cafés" and other resources are geared at both patients and their caregivers.

Each year the City of Tempe hosts a **Dementia Friendly Summit**. This year's theme is "Living Well with Dementia" - focusing on determinants of health that have been shown to improve the health and well-being of people coping with dementia. Nutrition, exercise, stress reduction and social engagement are the most well-researched steps one can take to live as fully as possible with this condition. We will have outstanding speakers, engaging activities and respite care (for patients).

The Summit will take place on **Saturday, March 28th** from **10:00 am - 12:00 pm** at the **Edward Jones Training Center** (8333 S. River Parkway, Tempe, AZ 85284). While the activities take place in Tempe, many Mesa residents participate... as it is just three miles from Dobson Ranch.



Submitted by **Paul Mittman**, ND, EdD  
*President/CEO*  
Southwest College of Naturopathic Medicine & Health Services

(Paul and his wife Laura have been Dobson Ranch residents since 1997. Paul sits on Tempe Mayor Mark Mitchell's **Dementia Friendly Task Force**.)



## Stories Take on Art This Spring at the i.d.e.a. Museum



Experience the art of storytelling at the **i.d.e.a. Museum** this Spring. **Art of the Story** – which opened on February 7 – takes visitors on a journey featuring art and hands-on activities that nurture creative thinking and embrace the storyteller within us.

The exhibition will feature stories told through various mediums, which includes visual arts, spoken word, film, animation, pop-up books, novels, short stories, dance, music, and other forms of creative narrative expression.

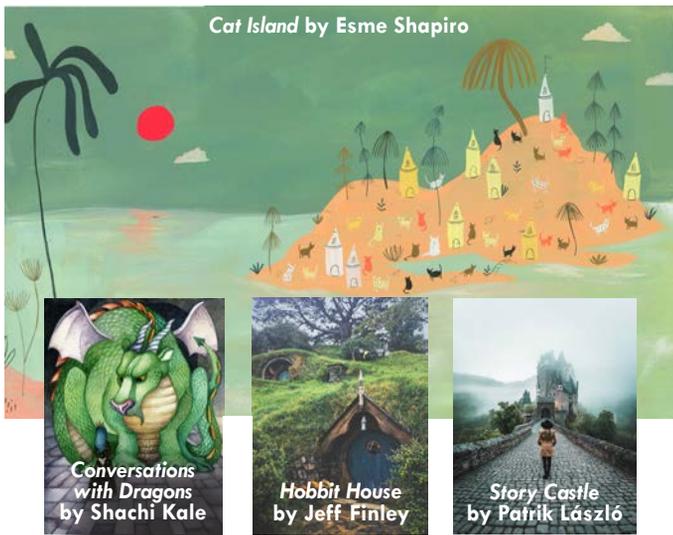
Additionally, visitors can enjoy more than 70 artworks created by artists from around the country, including Arizona, as well as from Canada and Europe. The following will be on display: paintings, ceramics, mixed-media monotypes, woodcut prints, drawings, sculpture, glass, fiber, digital photographs and video.

Planned activities for children of all ages include:

- Performing in a puppet/musical theater
- Experiencing a cultural storytelling tipi
- Creating a set and acting out a story via green screen
- Sharing family stories
- Building a story board
- Creating art (*bookmarks, puppets, booklets and more*)

**Art of the Story** – which runs through May 24 – is sponsored by **POGO Pass**, the **i.d.e.a. Museum Foundation**, **City of Mesa** and the **Arizona Commission on the Arts**, which receives support from the state of Arizona and the **National Endowment for the Arts**.

**Art of the Story** is included with regular museum admission, which is \$9 for ages 1 and older; i.d.e.a. Museum members are free. Learn more at [ideaMuseum.org](http://ideaMuseum.org).



## Mesa Mayor Unveils Plan for FREE Community College Tuition



Mesa Mayor **John Giles** unveiled a plan on February 4 at his State of the City address at the Mesa Convention Center to make higher education more affordable in Arizona's third-largest city.

The East Valley suburb has been studying the issue for the past year and received recommendations last week for starting the **Mesa College Promise** campaign.

"The Mesa College Promise means free tuition at community college for eligible students graduating from local high schools," Giles said during his State of the City address.

Before the speech, Giles appeared on KTAR News 92.3 FM's *Arizona Morning News* and said the program will be launched at Mesa Community College.

"If you're a Mesa high school kid, you can plan on two years of community college education," he said.

Giles said the program won't require a tax increase. The cost will be shared by the city of around 500,000 residents and its business and education community.

He said during his address nearly half of the funding for the campaign's first two years already has been raised.

"This is kids that go through the process of applying for financial aid in order to get out of the registrar's office at a community college. There's usually a small gap after they get what they're entitled to," he told *Arizona's Morning News*.

"So that's an opportunity for the community to say, 'Hey, if you're one of our high school kids, don't worry about going to a community college for two years.'"



## MESA COLLEGE PROMISE

**FREE** Community College Tuition for eligible students graduating from local high schools.



**MESA COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

A MARICOPA COMMUNITY COLLEGE



## Real Estate Trends on the Ranch

by Nancy Roggio, Communications Manager



**Scott Sepulveda**, an Associate Broker with **Realty One Group**, has been a Dobson Ranch resident on and off for 41 years. He has lived in his current home in Saratoga Lakes for 27 years.

**Susan Powers**, a licensed agent

for 14 years who is also with **Realty One Group**, has been a Ranch resident for 16 years. She has previously served on the Dobson Ranch Board of Directors for 7-1/2 years.

Both real estate experts offered their views and statistics on today's real estate market on the Ranch for this article.

### Then and Now - Home Price Comparisons

According to Scott, "The average price range of Dobson Ranch home prices in 1976 was somewhere between \$50,000 and \$120,000, with the average home price of \$75,000. Today, the average price of Dobson Ranch homes range between \$239,500 and \$750,000, with the recent \$750,000 home sale in Laguna Shores setting a new Dobson Ranch sales record."

### Home Appreciation

"Homes in Dobson Ranch have been appreciating at about 9.5% per year for the last three to four years, whereas normal appreciation in a balanced real estate market is between 4% to 5% per year. That's an excellent return on investment for Dobson Ranch homeowners," said Sepulveda.

"It's amazing how strong the Dobson Ranch real estate market is due to our close proximity to everything including freeways, ASU, airports, plus downtown Mesa and Tempe," he added.

### Number of Days on the Market

"The average number of days on the market varied widely from 2000 through 2008. For example, the average number of days on the market in 2002 was 60 days. In 2005, the average was 28 days. In 2008, when the real estate market crashed, home prices dropped drastically or homes moved into foreclosure and the average number of days on the market was 85. Over the last 90 days, the average number of days a Dobson Ranch home was on the market is 48 days," Sepulveda explained.

### The Appeal of Dobson Ranch

"Dobson Ranch homes are so appealing to today's home buyers because of the convenient location and easy freeway access, low property taxes, modest pricing (*less than Tempe or Chandler*), and they offer the best value and best amenities for your dollar. The very reasonable homeowners association fee of \$138 quarterly gives you access to incredible amenities including recreation centers, swimming pools, parks, tennis courts, lakes with fishing and boating, and exceptional family-oriented special events," Scott noted.

"Dobson Ranch is a diamond in the rough. Besides having an amazing location, it is an established and stable, safe, self-run community with great reserves that is continuously improving. Plus, having a HOA fee of less than \$150 quarterly is unheard of in the Arizona real estate market!" Susan exclaimed.

She went on to say, "Dobson Ranch offers an incredible amount of diversity for retirees, young singles, and more families than ever before. In many cases, people that once lived in Dobson Ranch as children are now moving back to Dobson Ranch with families of their own."

### Getting Offers

"We are experiencing an extreme seller's market, due to lack of home inventory. There should be close to 25,000 homes for sale in a balanced market. Currently, there are only 12,000 active listings in the area. It's not uncommon for sellers to receive three or four offers within the first 48 hours of listing their property," Scott noted.

Susan added, "Because there is such a low inventory, homes selling for under \$300,000 go especially fast in Dobson Ranch!"

### Tips for Selling Your Property

"First and foremost: keep your home well maintained. Your home needs to be appealing inside and out. Your home's aesthetics should be light, bright, open, uncluttered, with an attractive yard, and plenty of curb appeal. If you are having a showing, make sure you open the blinds to bring in light, and have the house smelling fresh and clean, because buyers use their senses when making a purchase," Scott emphasized.

"Upgrade your home. Even making minimal, non-expensive upgrades can make a big difference to the bottom line. For example, spending \$1,500 to repaint your walls with a neutral color can add \$5,000 or more to the

asking price of your home," Susan explained.

### What Sells a Home

"Open houses, colorful flyers, print advertising and postcards do not sell a home. A good looking property, excellent interior and exterior photos, aggressive internet marketing, and the right price are what sells a home in today's volatile real estate market," Scott insisted.

### The Forecast

"There were 388 homes sold in Dobson Ranch in 2019 (*this number includes condos and townhouses*). As of mid-February, there were 40 homes sold so far in 2020. I do not see the Dobson Ranch real estate market slowing down one bit this year. It should be nearly identical to 2019," Scott predicted.

"Real estate is overwhelming. Contracts change. Laws change. Buying a home is the single biggest investment you can make in your life. That's why reviews on good service matter more than ever before," Susan concluded.

See Scott and Susan's ads on pages 30 and 33 to contact them.

**Dobson Ranch Home Price Comparison**

**Avg. home price range in 1976:**  
\$50,000 - \$120,000

**Avg. home price in 1976:**  
\$75,000

**Avg. home price range in 2020:**  
\$239,500 - \$750,000

**Avg. home price in 2020:**  
\$325,000



## Reduce, Reuse, Recycle... It's Easy in Dobson Ranch

by Kathrine Blomquist, Water Management Committee Member

Here comes Spring! Are you doing a bit of spring-cleaning? Dobson Ranch makes it easy with the **Community Clean Up, Garage Sale, and Shred** events. Also part of the neighborhood's great springtime line-up is the **Dobson Ranch Spring Expo** taking place Saturday, April 4, 8:00-11:00 am, at La Casita. The 4th Annual Expo forwards the theme of conservation in Dobson Ranch. This is your opportunity to meet with local businesses and organizations to learn more ways to conserve our natural resources and save money.

For example, the **Water Management Committee** is on hand to discuss the water-saving benefits of smart irrigation controllers. One great benefit of living in Dobson

Ranch is that the controllers are offered to residents at a substantial discount.

One memorable way the Spring Expo displays conservation to children is by the annual release of 10,000 live ladybugs. Ladybugs are a great beneficial insect that eat soft-bodied pest insects like aphids that cause damage to plants. The release occurs at 10:30 am next to the playground at La Casita. The Spring Expo is held in conjunction with the popular **Retirees' Club Pancake Breakfast** from 8:00-10:00 am, so bring the entire family. The Dobson Ranch Spring Expo is an entertaining and educational way to start your morning in *the best place to live!*



## 41st Annual City of Mesa Breakfast on February 12 Visit our Dobson Ranch HOA Facebook page for more photos.





# City of Mesa Launches Asian District Brand: Culture, Community and Commerce



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The City of Mesa, in partnership with area stakeholders, has unveiled a new brand for the **Asian District**, Mesa, AZ to celebrate the District's unique offerings of culture, community, and commerce. Asian District, Mesa, AZ comprises more than 70 Asian-themed restaurants, grocery stores and other service and retail businesses along a two-mile stretch on Dobson Road in west Mesa.

The new Asian District, Mesa, AZ logo is based on the tangram: a seven-piece Chinese geometric puzzle that dates back 2,000 years. The multiple, colorful pieces of the tangram can be rearranged to create various shapes. The logo features a square comprised of the tangram pieces, symbolic of the different Asian cultures coming together in a unified district community while maintaining the individuality of each culture.

"Mesa has a strong and very active Asian community and I am excited to see the Asian District come to life in west Mesa," Mayor **John Giles** said. "This is the perfect place for people to gather, eat, shop and immerse themselves in the flavors and cultures of Asia."

"This area plays such a huge role in west Mesa and has seen significant growth," *District 3 Councilmember* **Francisco Heredia** said. "The City had an opportunity to really put a focus on it and help it grow further and I think Asian

District, Mesa, AZ can really be a focal point for the area and show off what a diverse community we are."

With the brand in place, the City began to focus its efforts on promoting the new brand at recent events such as the **Lunar New Year Celebration** on January 25 and the **Asian District Night Market** on February 29, both held in the AZ International Marketplace parking lot at 1920 W. Broadway Road.

The City will also begin developing signage and artwork to be installed on Dobson Road between Main Street and Broadway Road later this year.

A website, [www.AsianDistrictMesa.com](http://www.AsianDistrictMesa.com), has been created by the **Asian Chamber of Commerce** which provides additional information about the District. The website features a business directory and highlights upcoming events in the District.

"It is absolutely amazing to see the unity behind this endeavor," **Vic Reid**, CEO of the Asian Chamber of Commerce said. "The Asian District is a place for our community to truly take pride in – we know the work being done today will have an everlasting impact on future generations."

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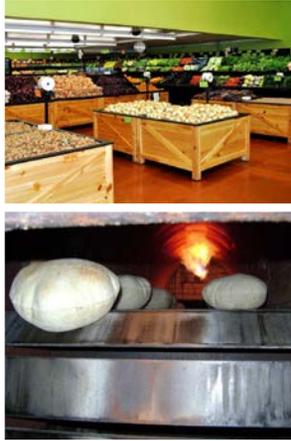
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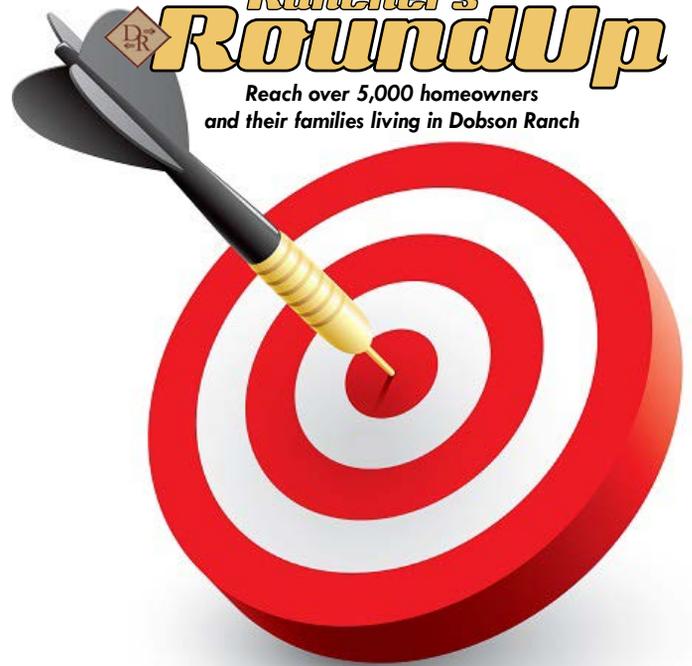
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# Ranchers' RoundUp

The Official Publication of the Dobson Ranch Homeowners Association

The **Ranchers' RoundUp** is a full **COLOR** magazine and is the official publication of the Dobson Ranch Homeowners Association. It is published on (or around) the 10th of every month and is mailed to approximately 5,000 homes in the community. The deadline to advertise is usually the 20th of the month prior to publication (date may change due to holidays). The **Ranchers' RoundUp** magazine may also be viewed online at [www.dobsonranchhoa.com](http://www.dobsonranchhoa.com).

The ad sizes and costs for **2020** are:

DISPLAY AD SIZE	WIDTH/HEIGHT	1 MO. TRIAL	3-MO. CONTRACT	6-MO. CONTRACT	12-MO. CONTRACT
1/16 PAGE	1.75"W x 2.375"H	\$61.57*	\$167.91/qtr. \$55.97/mo.*	\$305.34/6 mo. \$50.89/mo.*	\$549.48/12 mo. \$45.79/mo.*
1/8 PAGE	3.5"W x 2.375"H	\$95.14*	\$259.47/qtr. \$86.49/mo.*	\$488.40/6 mo. \$81.40/mo.*	\$915.84/12 mo. \$76.32/mo.*
1/4 PAGE	3.5"W x 4.75"H	\$167.89*	\$457.89/qtr. \$152.63/mo.*	\$885.24/6 mo. \$147.54/mo.*	\$1709.40/12 mo. \$142.45/mo.*
1/2 PAGE	7"W x 4.75"H	\$302.20*	\$824.19/qtr. \$274.73/mo.*	\$1617.84/6 mo. \$269.64/mo.*	\$3174.60/12 mo. \$264.55/mo.*

\* Includes tax

**DISPLAY ADVERTISING:** Display advertising is offered in 1-month (1x TRIAL ONLY), 3-month, 6-month, and 12-month contracts, with the minimum being a 1-month trial. Contracts must be paid in full at time of ad placement unless other arrangements have been made with the Editor. Prompt payments are the responsibility of the advertiser. Payments may be made online at [dobsonranchhoa.com](http://dobsonranchhoa.com), by mail or in person. Non-payment or payments received after the 20th of the month may result in cancellation of ad or a **\$20.00 late fee**. Over the phone payments cannot be accepted. **The deadline is the 20th of the month prior to publication, no exceptions.** Submit camera ready ads in .pdf or .jpg format to [nroggio@dobsonranch.com](mailto:nroggio@dobsonranch.com).

**CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING:** Classified ads are limited to 40 words. Only the first few words in the heading will be in all caps. **All business and non-resident classified advertising is \$1.00/word.** Cost for resident's non-business classified advertising is \$0.50/word. Applicable tax will be added to amount due. Payment is due at the time of ad placement. Prompt payments are the responsibility of the advertiser. Payments may be made at [dobsonranchhoa.com](http://dobsonranchhoa.com), by mail or in person. Non-payment or payments received after the 20th of the month will result in ad cancellation. Over the phone payments cannot be accepted. Contracts are not required for classified advertising. **The deadline is the 20th of the month prior to publication.** Submit ad to [nroggio@dobsonranch.com](mailto:nroggio@dobsonranch.com).

**DEADLINE DATES WILL BE FIRM:** All advertising and payments must be submitted by the 20th of the month. Advertisers will receive one reminder of the deadline date. Placement or space in the magazine cannot be guaranteed, as new ads are placed after monthly contracted ads. The number of similar type advertisers are not limited. We do reserve the right to reject advertising, which is not in keeping with the **Ranchers' RoundUp** standards. Publication space is limited.

**AD DESIGN ASSISTANCE:** If help is needed in creating an ad, please contact our Editor, Nancy Roggio at 480-831-8314 for more information. Pricing depends on size of ad and on the complexity of the design requested.

#### AD PRODUCTION SPECS: GRAPHICS

- Display ads must be submitted in a color, camera-ready .pdf or .jpg file, maximum of 10MB in size. Scanned ads are not acceptable.
- Graphics obtained from websites are not acceptable. The resolution is too low for reproduction.
- Save all images at 200 dpi. (NOTE: Higher resolution does not enhance quality for reproduction. It only makes files larger.)
- Precision of color cannot be guaranteed. The Publisher uses four-color-creation (CMYK) while many programs utilize a three-color-creation (RGB).
- Please make sure font is clear and large enough to be read when published. Font sizes below 8 point should not be used. Be sure to print your ad to size to check if type is readable before submitting.



To place a Display or Classified Ad, call Nancy at 480-831-8314 or email [nroggio@dobsonranch.com](mailto:nroggio@dobsonranch.com).

### PET CARE

**EXPERIENCED ANIMAL LOVER** – Offers affordable dog boarding and daycare. Call/text Courtney 602-524-4313.

**PET SITTING** – Ranch resident/Longtime pet owner. Alan ([Dobsondogsitters@gmail.com](mailto:Dobsondogsitters@gmail.com)) 480-332-2256.

### GOODS AND SERVICES

**PAINTING GATES & CURB NUMBERS** – Low rates. 480-560-5463.

**DUMPING DAVE** – I haul it all. Yard debris, junk, appliances, furniture, home cleanouts. Whatever you need cleaned up and hauled away. **DEPENDABLE** and **HONEST**. Dave 480-360-5865.

**BRASSBERRYS PAINTING** – ROC #107686. 32 years local experience. 480-892-0463.

### HANDYMAN

**THOMAS HANDYMAN SOLUTIONS** – We fix all of your home issues. Insured with over 30 years experience. All carpentry, electrical, plumbing, water heaters, drywall, interior/exterior paint, window and door replacement, and much more. 480-398-5832.

**EXPERT HANDYMAN/HOME REMODELER** – All phases of home remodeling, including plumbing, electrical, flooring, window/door installation. Kitchen/bath remodels. Wheelchair showers. Interior/exterior painting. No job too big or too small. Not a licensed contractor. (*All work guaranteed.*) George 480-695-7299.

**HANDYMAN SERVICES** – Painting, electrical, plumbing, lighting, Honey-Do Lists welcome. Call Chris 480-980-2442. Not a licensed contractor.

### HOME IMPROVEMENTS

**KITCHEN & BATH SPECIALISTS/ROOM ADDITIONS - HOMEPRO** – All typed of home repair. General Contractor. CBL Builders. ROC #380717. Free estimates. Discount for seniors and vets. Call/text Gary at 480-578-0486.

**INFINITY PROPERTY SERVICES, LLC** – General contractor specializing in Dobson Ranch home remodels, kitchens, bathrooms, painting, HVAC, electrical, plumbing, insurance claims, repairs, and more! We are your one stop shop for all your home improvement needs. Free Estimates. Licensed. Bonded. Insured. ROC #228281 480-999-1385.

**ENGLISH BUILDING COMPANY LLC** – Bathrooms, kitchens, tile, laminate, hardwood, windows, doors, patio covers, and more. Owned and operated by Dobson Ranch

resident, Paul English. **FREE ESTIMATES**. 480-603-8813. Project pictures/customer references at [www.englishbuilding.net](http://www.englishbuilding.net). Licensed. Bonded. Insured. ROC #189470-BBB.

**MASTER ELECTRICIAN - ROGER HEISTER** – 22 years in the Valley. Not a licensed contractor. 602-732-8877.

**COOLING OR HEATING CHECK-UP** – \$18.95. Mazon's A/C and Heating. Call 480-966-7794 or 602-579-1012. Licensed Bonded. ROC #C39-212482.

**PLUMBING – CURE ALL PLUMBING** – 480-895-5858. We specialize in water heaters, drain cleaning, pipe lining & coating, leaking pipes, faucets, toilets, tubs, slab leaks, reroutes, water softeners, disposals, reverse osmosis systems. Senior Discounts. Family owned and operated. Free Estimates. Licensed. Bonded. Insured. ROC #204797 [www.cureallplumbing.com](http://www.cureallplumbing.com).

**PLUMBING SERVICE** – Complete plumbing repairs and service. Free water heater inspection. Call 480-966-7794 or 602-579-1012. **MAZON'S PLUMBING** Licensed. Bonded. ROC #C37-212482.

**TIME TO PAINT YOUR HOUSE?** – Cardinal Painting Company. Interior/Exterior. One room to complete house. Licensed. Bonded. Insured. ROC #240973 Fast, Free Estimates. 480-294-3744.

**PAINTING** – Affordable painting for every budget. Painting, power wash, drywall repair, etc. Experienced insured, dependable. Dobson Ranch resident in business over 15 years. Not a licensed contractor. Free no hassle estimate. 480-200-9598.

**DOUBLE DD ELECTRIC** – 602-276-5550. Fast, dependable service. Small/Large projects. Panel upgrades – Lighting – Troubleshooting. Licenced. ROC #065071-010.

**AQUA TECH PLUMBING & DRAIN** – For all your plumbing and drain cleaning needs. Licensed. Bonded. Insured. ROC #228747 Reliability and experience you can afford. 480-507-3335. [aquatechplumbingaz.com](http://aquatechplumbingaz.com).

**AWARD WINNER** – Best of House 2017 and 2018. APC Top Job Winner 2018. Brassberrys Painting. ROC #107686. 480-892-0463.

**PAINTING, DRYWALL AND STUCCO REPAIR** – Professional Painter/Tradesman - 30+ years experience. Interior, exterior, powerwashing, carpentry, handyman. Will find best product for your problem. Careful and tidy. Dobson Ranch customer references available. Dan O'Brien 480-359-0515.

### LAWN CARE

**AZ HOME & LANDSCAPE SERVICE** – Complete landscaping services including maintenance, gardening, planting, clean ups, hauling, sprinkler and irrigation repair, tree trimming, landscape installations and conversions, winter lawns, pavers, etc. Earth friendly, English speaking, dependable, licensed and insured. Smartscape certified. Dobson Ranch resident in business over 15 years. Free no hassle estimates. Call 480-200-9598.

**LAWN SERVICE AND WEED CONTROL** – starting at \$60 per month. Front yard only - starting at \$30 per month. Reliable lawn service with a company you can trust. ROC #281191. Owner is a D. Ranch homeowner. 480-586-8445. [www.kjelandscape.com](http://www.kjelandscape.com).

**LAWN & SPRINKLER CARE!** – Accepting new customers. Call/text 480-710-8738.

**SPRINKLER REPAIR** – Working in Dobson Ranch since 1981. Scarecrow Sprinkler Repair. Frank 602-690-4767. Not a licensed contractor.

### MISCELLANEOUS

**WANTED: OLD TOOLS/ANTIQUES** – Local antique dealer looking to buy old stuff. Tools, cast iron, workbenches, industrial, advertising signs, etc. Call/text Nick 818-703-2152.

**WANTED: TRANSPORTATION CAR** – 480-560-5463. Thanks, Bill.

### AT YOUR SERVICE

**At Your Service ads are published FREE for Dobson Ranch teens.**

**HIGH SCHOOLER LOOKING TO PET SIT FOR YOU** – Willing to pet sit any animals. Call or text Michael at 602-582-0730.

**HOUSE SITTING & YARD WORK** – My name is Michael. I'm 15 and can house sit, maintain your pool and do light yard work. Call 602-312-0283.

**JR. HIGH TWINS** – Will bring out trash/recyclable bins \$6 per week. We can also help with any other chores around your home or yard. Shane and Cody 480-234-8339. Leave message.

**Hi, MY NAME IS EMMA** – I'm a 15 yr. old responsible H.S. student living in Dobson Ranch. I'm available to babysit, house sit, or dog sit. 3 years experience. Babysitter/CPR certified. Reasonable rates. 480-489-5439.

For further information on licensed contractors, log onto [www.azroc.gov](http://www.azroc.gov).

This is the website for Arizona Licensing of contractors. Use either the contractor's name or their ROC number.



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# Calendar of Events

For the most updated info, visit the [Events Calendar](http://EventsCalendar@dobsonranch.com) at [dobsonranch.com](http://dobsonranch.com).

MARCH/APRIL 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY/SUNDAY
<p>9</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Spring Break Camp</b> 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Saratoga</p> <p><b>Bridge</b> 12:30 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Yoga for Beginners</b> 5:30 pm Saratoga Room</p>	<p>10</p> <p><b>Spring Break Camp</b> 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Saratoga</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>Zumba</b> 6:30 pm Grande Room</p> <p><b>DRAC Exec. Session &amp; Mtg.</b> 5:30 pm/6:30 pm Chica Rm.</p>	<p>11</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Spring Break Camp</b> 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Saratoga</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Beginner &amp; Intermediate</b> 9:00 &amp; 10:00 am Grande Rm.</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Intermediate &amp; Beginner</b> 6:00 &amp; 7:00 pm Grande Rm.</p>	<p>12</p> <p><b>Spring Break Camp</b> 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Saratoga</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>13</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Spring Break Camp</b> 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Saratoga</p>	<p>14</p> <p><b>COMMUNITY CLEAN UP</b> 7:00 am - 1:30 pm Ranchwide</p> <p>Sunday 15</p>
<p>16</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</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 Meeting</b> 6:30 pm Grande Room</p>	<p>17</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>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>Tai Chi Beginner &amp; Intermediate</b> 9:00 &amp; 10:00 am Grande Rm.</p> <p><b>Water Works Board Meeting</b> 6:00 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Intermediate &amp; Beginner</b> 6:00 &amp; 7:00 pm Grande Rm.</p>	<p>19</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>Candidate Forum</b> 6:30 pm Grande Room</p> <p><b>Board of Dir. Open Session</b> 7:00 pm Grande Room</p>	<p>20</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Retirees' Game Day</b> 1:00 pm Grande Room</p> <p><b>Bunco</b> 6:30 pm Saratoga Room</p> <p><b>STARGAZING</b>  Stargazing 7:00 pm Laguna Park</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Sunday 22</p>
<p>23</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Bridge</b> 12:30 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Yoga for Beginners</b> 5:30 pm Saratoga Room</p>	<p>24</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>Zumba</b> 6:30 pm Grande Room</p> <p><b>DRAC Meeting</b> 6:30 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Laguna Village Board Mtg.</b> 7:00 pm Saratoga Room</p>	<p>25</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Beginner &amp; Intermediate</b> 9:00 &amp; 10:00 am Grande Rm.</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Intermediate &amp; Beginner</b> 6:00 &amp; 7:00 pm Grande Rm.</p> <p><b>Dobson Bay Club Meeting</b> 6:00 pm Chica Room</p>	<p>26</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>Legante Paseo BOD Meeting</b> 6:30 pm Chica Room</p>	<p>27</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>BYOB</b> 6:30 - 9:00 pm Grande Rm.</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Sunday 29</p>
<p>30</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Bridge</b> 12:30 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Yoga for Beginners</b> 5:30 pm Saratoga Room</p>	<p>31</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>DRAC Workshop</b> 6:30 pm Grande Room</p> <p><b>Zumba</b> 6:30 pm Chica Room</p>	<p>1</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Beginner &amp; Intermediate</b> 9:00 &amp; 10:00 am Grande Rm.</p> <p><b>Lake Habitat Committee Mtg.</b> 5:30 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Intermediate &amp; Beginner</b> 6:00 &amp; 7:00 pm Grande Rm.</p>	<p>2</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>3</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Master Planning Committee</b> 12:30 pm Chica Room</p>	<p>4</p> <p><b>SPRING EXPO &amp; Pancake Breakfast</b> 8:00 - 11:00 am La Casita</p> <p>Sunday 5</p>
<p>6</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Marketing Committee Mtg.</b> 8:30 am Chica Room</p> <p><b>Retirees' General Meeting</b> 9:30 am Grande Room</p> <p><b>Bridge</b> 12:30 pm Chica Rm.</p> <p><b>Water Management Mtg.</b> 5:30 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Yoga for Beginners</b> 5:30 pm Saratoga Room</p>	<p>7</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>DRAC Meeting</b> 6:30 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Zumba</b> 6:30 pm Grande Room</p>	<p>8</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Beginner &amp; Intermediate</b> 9:00 &amp; 10:00 am Grande Rm.</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Intermediate &amp; Beginner</b> 6:00 &amp; 7:00 pm Grande Rm.</p>	<p>9</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>10</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>ween Egg Hunt</b>  7:15 pm Laguna Park</p>	<p>11</p> <p><b>Easter EGGSTRAVAGANZA</b> 10:00 am - 1:00 pm Laguna Park</p> <p>Sunday 12</p> <p><b>HAPPY Easter</b> Rec. Centers CLOSED</p>
<p>13</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Bridge</b> 12:30 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Yoga for Beginners</b> 5:30 pm Saratoga</p>	<p>14</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>Annual Meeting of the Members</b> 5:30 pm Grande Room</p>	<p>15</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Beginner &amp; Intermediate</b> 9:00 &amp; 10:00 am Grande Rm.</p> <p><b>Water Works Board Meeting</b> 6:00 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Tai Chi Intermediate &amp; Beg.</b> 6:00 &amp; 7:00 pm Grande Rm.</p>	<p>16</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>BOD Executive Session</b> 6:15 pm Chica Room</p> <p><b>Board of Dir. Open Session</b> 7:00 pm Grande Room</p>	<p>17</p> <p><b>Fitness in the Park</b> 6:00 am Laguna Park</p> <p><b>Retirees' Game Day</b> 1:00 pm Grande Room</p> <p><b>Bunco</b> 6:30 pm Saratoga Room</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Sunday 19</p>