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Featured on the cover is the wonderful family of our Water Aerobics instructor, Becky Hasler, son Kyle, husband Chuck and granddaughter Reagan. They had a blast at our Back To School ParTee at the Dobson Ranch Golf Course and each took turns playing different games at the Toptracer Driving Range! Becky's family is one of many other families who attended and had fun!

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YOYO CLUB

Chad Robinson, Chairman at dryoyoclub@gmail.com. Instagram @dryoyoclub. Meets in Chica Rm. the first Wednesday of every month from 6:00 to 8:00 pm!

THINKING ABOUT STARTING YOUR OWN CLUB?

Email recreationdobson@dobsonranch.com for details.

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Graffiti Hotline - 480-644-3083

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Mesa Parks & Recreation - 480-644-2211

Mesa Police Department, Non-Emergency - 480-644-2211

Mesa Police Headquarters/Info - 480-644-2324

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Green Pool Issue - 602-506-6616

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Transportation (Street Lights, Potholes) - 480-644-2160

Transit - 480-644-5541

Volunteer - 480-644-5432

Utility Emergency (Water) - 480-644-2262

Crime Prevention/Neighborhood Watch - 480-644-2539

AZ Blue Stake - 602-263-1100

Salt River Project - 602-236-8888

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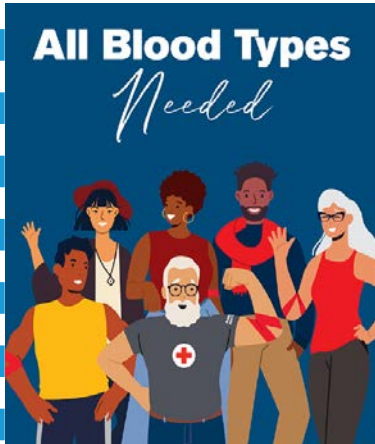
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October Calendar

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All events are subject to change. Visit the Events Calendar at dobsonranchhoa.com for updated info.



Blood Drive The Dobson Association Inc.

Grande Room
2719 S. Reyes
Mesa, AZ 85202

Tuesday, October 17, 2023
1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY/SUNDAY
Water Aerobics 2 7:30 am La Casita Pool Retirees' General Mtg. 9:30 am Grande Rm. Bridge 12:30 pm Chica Rm. Water & Lake Management Mtg. 5:30 pm Grande Rm.	Water Aerobics 3 7:30 am La Casita Pool Line Dancing 9:00 am Grande Rm. Recreation Mtg. 4:00 pm Grande Rm. CC&R Mtg. 5:30 pm Grande Rm. Dance Sampler 5:30 pm Saratoga Zumba 6:30 pm Chica Rm.	Water Aerobics 4 7:30 am La Casita Pool Tai Chi 10:00 am Inter. Grande Rm. 11:00 am Begin. Grande Rm.	Water Aerobics 5 7:30 am La Casita Pool Retirees' Game Day 1:00 pm Chica Rm. Fairytale Dancers 4:30 pm Saratoga Intro to Ballet & Jazz 5:30 pm Saratoga Aqua Zumba 6:30 pm La Casita Pool Master Planning Mtg. 7:00 pm Grande Rm.	Table Tennis 6 2:30 pm Chica Rm. Board Game Night 5:00 pm Grande Rm.	Sunday 8
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Retirees' Board Mtg. 16 9:00 am Grande Rm. Bridge 12:30 pm Chica Rm.	Line Dancing 17 9:00 am Grande Rm. BLOOD DRIVE 1:00 pm Grande Rm. Laguna Village BOD Mtg. 5:00 pm Chica Rm. Dance Sampler 5:30 pm Saratoga	Tai Chi 18 10:00 am Inter. Grande Rm. 11:00 am Begin. Grande Rm. YoYo Club! 6:00 pm Chica Rm.	Fairytale Dancers 19 4:30 pm Saratoga Intro to Ballet & Jazz 5:30 pm Saratoga BOD Working Session 6:30 pm Grande Rm.	Retirees' Game Day 20 1:00 pm Chica Rm. Table Tennis 2:30 pm Chica Rm. Board Game Night 5:00 pm Grande Rm. Bunco 6:30 pm Chica Rm.	 Saturday, October 21 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm AT LA CASITA RECREATION CENTER Sunday 22
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Bridge 30 12:30 pm Chica Rm.	Line Dancing 31 9:00 am Grande Rm. Dance Sampler 5:30 pm Saratoga				



November Calendar

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50th Anniversary Celebration!

Saturday, November 4th

12:00 PM - 3:00 PM • Laguna Park

**Bounce Houses • Obstacle Course • Entertainers
Rock Wall • Mini Golf • Games & Food Trucks!**

EVENT LOCATION CHANGE TO LAGUNA PARK!!

Join us for the biggest amusement park celebration of the year! We will have bounce houses, entertainers, an obstacle course, a rock wall, mini golf, games and live music by Rhythm Edition! The food trucks at the event include Lucy's Hot Dog Cart, Nicastro Wood Fired Pizza, and The CheeseSteak Joint. Zippy's Entertainment will bring their entertainers!

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Board of Directors Meeting Report - August 24, 2023 Summary of Board Action Items and Motions

2023-08-101 A motion tied and did not pass to table the Granicus website proposal for \$15,300 set up and hosting for year one and \$5,500 hosting annually thereafter. (In favor – Kathleen Tolar, Michael Snedeker, Sandy Murray, and Christa Tropin) (Against – Nicole Lynam, Stephanie Fee, Randy Harvey, and Rich Bitner)

2023-08-102 A motion was carried to approve the Granicus website proposal for \$15,300 set up and hosting for year one and \$5,500 hosting annually thereafter. This upgraded technology will significantly decrease social media operating costs and provide Dobson Ranch with a professional and informative platform. (In favor - Nicole Lynam, Stephanie Fee, Randy Harvey, Rich Bitner, and Sandy Murray) (Against – Kathleen Tolar, Michael Snedeker, and Christa Tropin)

2023-08-103 A motion was unanimously carried to approve a 5% increase only and NOT seek approval from the homeowners for a 20% assessment increase for the 2024 budgeted calendar year.

2023-08-104 A motion was unanimously carried to approve the Amended Ad-Hoc CCR Committee Charter.

2023-08-105 A motion was unanimously carried to approve three new members to the Ad-Hoc CCR Committee: Kelli Schroeder, Tracy Dunham and Holly Prasetio.

2023-08-106 A motion was unanimously carried to eliminate the shredding truck at the Fall Clean Up event – cost savings \$3,600.

2023-08-107 A motion was unanimously carried to approve an expense neutral Halloween event by eliminating all costs involved with the exception of staff.

2023-08-108 A motion was unanimously carried to approve the Fall Festival as planned on November 4, 2023.

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Upcoming Board of Directors Meetings

Working Session • Thursday, October 19 • 6:30 pm - Grande Rm.

Executive Session • Thursday, October 26 • 5:30 pm - Grande Rm.

General Board Mtg. • Thursday, October 26 • 7:00 pm - Grande Rm.

Executive Session • Thursday, November 16 • 5:30 pm - Grande Rm.

General Board Mtg. • Thursday, November 16 • 7:00 pm - Grande Rm.

Town Hall Meeting • TBD Thursday, November 16 - Grande Rm.

Please attend the Working Sessions and General Board Meetings! Thank you!



Message From the Association President



By Nicole Lynam, Association President

First and foremost, I want to express my deep gratitude for your continued patience and involvement in our community. It is your dedication and commitment, along with the hard work of our staff, that make Dobson Ranch a vibrant community that we can all be proud of.

Now, let's talk about the future. The Dobson Ranch HOA staff, Board, and Committees are hard at work preparing for the best future for our community. Our goal is to ensure that Dobson Ranch remains a welcoming and inclusive neighborhood for years to come. We are constantly exploring ways to enhance our community, from maintaining our beautiful parks and common areas to creating events that bring our residents together.

I'm thrilled to announce that we are just around the corner from our annual Fall Festival, a cherished tradition in Dobson Ranch. This year's festival holds particular significance as it marks the 50th Anniversary of Dobson Ranch. We have some exciting plans in store to make this event extra special, and we can't wait to celebrate with all of you.

We would also like to invite all residents who are interested in volunteering for upcoming events, including the Fall Festival, to get in touch with our Recreation Department. Your help and support are invaluable in making our events successful and enjoyable for everyone. Together, we can create memorable experiences.

In closing, I want to reiterate how grateful I am for the sense of togetherness and camaraderie that defines Dobson Ranch. As we look ahead to the next 50 years, let's continue working hand in hand to create an even brighter future for our community.

Thank you for being a part of Dobson Ranch, and I look forward to celebrating our 50th anniversary with all of you at the Fall Festival.



Executive Director's Message



By Fran Pawlak, CMCA®, AMS®, PCAM®
Executive Director

Happy Fall! As seasons change --- so does the Ranch! Here's what we have been working on!

Several months ago, I wrote about the importance of community education and communication. Since then – many things have changed – and we are constantly expanding on that commitment! The team has worked seamlessly to make improvements to ensure that you have easy access to up-to-date information. We encourage you to keep reading to see how you can stay informed!

The Association has three main communication platforms: the weekly email blast, the website, and the Ranchers' RoundUp. Please refer to these platforms when seeking information on all things Dobson Ranch!

1. The weekly email blast to homeowner members is ever-changing and always a work in progress! If you do not receive the weekly, please access the website www.dobsonranchhoa.com and click on the **Communications** tab, then click on Sign up for the Weekly Blast. Please read weekly for the latest news and updates to include closings, assessments, projects, operations, maintenance, events, and more.
2. Many improvements have been made to the Dobson Ranch website to provide more information to you including financials, audits, meeting minutes, governing documents, Ranchers' RoundUp digital format, forms, programs, clubs, committees, volunteering, events, how to contact us, and much more! Visit www.dobsonranchhoa.com often to stay up to date!
3. Our beloved Ranchers' RoundUp has been reinvented this year to keep you updated more than ever! If you do not have the time to read the hard copy mailed to all homeowners, please be sure to check it out online on the Dobson Ranch website. You can find contact information for all of the Dobson Ranch movers and shakers heading up clubs and committees. Don't be shy – reach out and join the fun!

How-to-connect instructions are available at the bottom of each weekly email blast, on the website and on the Table of Contents page of the Ranchers Round Up! Don't forget to also tap into our App, Facebook and Instagram! Looking forward to seeing all of our ghosts and goblins at the Halloween Spooktacular October 21st! Until then – Enjoy!

The **50th Anniversary** sponsor bricks and newest memorial bricks have been installed at Sunset Plaza outside of La Casita! **Please come and enjoy!**



Monthly Update from Vice Mayor Heredia



Fiber Internet Being Installed in Dobson Ranch!

The Fiber Optic installation process is in full swing! Many of you have already had contact with the fiber optic companies doing the installation. Ubiquity is currently handling installations in some areas within Dobson Ranch. While we are excited to bring you fiber optic, we recognize that this process has been inconvenient for some of our residents.

We are aware that construction is causing disruption, but we are doing our best at the city level to work with these companies and ensure that they are following proper procedures. We encourage residents to work directly with the providers, but if no resolution is reached, my office can gladly assist.

During a recent study session, the City Council gave direction to staff to work on a comprehensive campaign to educate residents regarding what to expect during this process. Expect more information on this in the upcoming weeks!

For those residents who have not had contact with fiber installation, please expect to see temporary cones on the streets and signage for construction. Providers should notify residents and businesses located in the areas that might be impacted, typically with a letter, postcard or door hanger.

For more information on this process and for a list of Frequently Asked Questions, please visit: www.mesaaz.gov/residents/high-speed-internet-in-mesa.

As always, please contact my office if you have any questions or comments. We are happy to help! **480-644-3003** or **District3@MesaAZ.gov**.

~Vice Mayor Heredia





Code Compliance Specialist's Message



Jonathan Lefler, Code Compliance Specialist

Fall is here, which means football season and MLB post-season are upon us and we get to enjoy these cooler temps again. As we have had time to look over what this summer did to our yards and houses, it's a great time to start thinking about what needs to be done. As I have driven around the Ranch, I have noticed a lot of paint that needs touching up, dead plants, and gates and walls that need fixing.

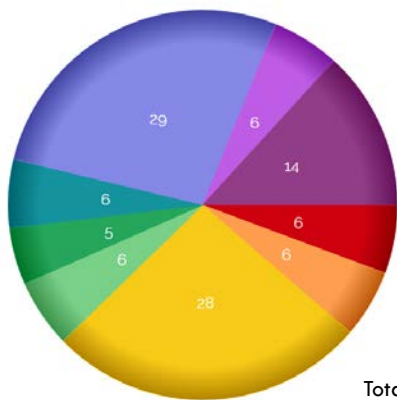
In June, we sent out friendly reminders about trimming palm trees by September 30th. If you haven't trimmed your palm tree(s), please be aware that you will receive a violation. Thank you to those who got this done!

If you have noticed, we have been citing trash cans with tote tags when they are left out after trash pickup. As a reminder, please pull black trash cans off the curb by Monday morning and blue and green bins by Friday morning to prevent a violation tag being issued.

We have been working on making the violations process easier and better. In the last month, we have been using a new company who is local to mail out our violation letters. In the past you have received them via email and in the mail and that made it hard for homeowners to get violations completed in a timely manner. With this new company, you will receive the letters within 1-2 days from the date of issue. You will only receive a violation from us through post mail from now on. Please note, if you receive a notice at your door or through your email, it was not issued by Dobson Ranch and could possibly be from the City of Mesa Compliance Department. If you have any questions or concerns about your violation notice, please contact me though email compliance@dobsonranch.com or by phone at **480-831-8314**. Please do not respond though the HOA Life portal.

Also, please do not to dump furniture or waste on side streets, corners or in the lakes. We do not have the manpower, or resources to keep cleaning up these items. This also costs the HOA extra money that could be used for much needed resources and projects. Thank you again to all those that continue to make this a great place to live. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call, email me, or stop me in person when I'm out.

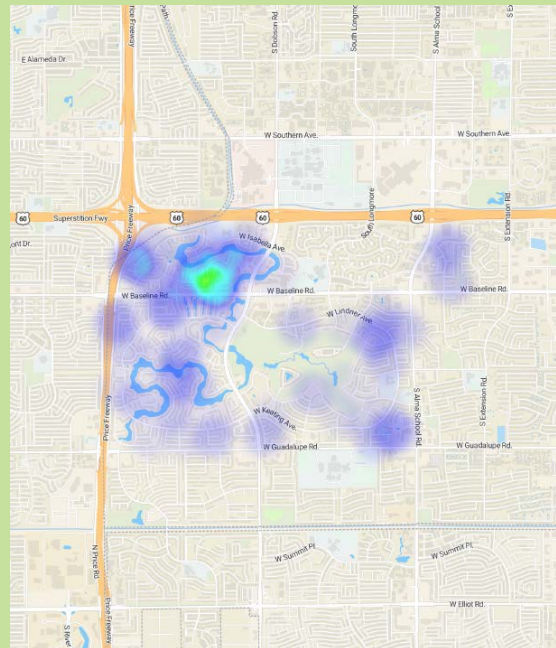
CC&R Notices for July & August 2023



Total Violations = 106

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| Section 2.5 Outside Lighting | Section 2.15 Rubbish & Debris | Section 2.4 Exterior Colors |
| Section 2.16 Visible Yard Areas | Section 2.26.1 Vehicles | Section 2.17 Trees |
| Section 2.14 Care of Properties | Section 2.7 Fences and Gates | Other Violations |

Other violations include Clothes Drying Facilities, Docks, Security Cameras, Uniform Painting, Trash Bin Storage, Porta Potty/Portable Toilet Rental, Roof Maintenance, and Watercraft.



The heat map above indicates where the most violations were given in the month of July & August 2023.



Data from:



DESERT LANDSCAPING TIPS & TRICKS

by Sue Hakala, Certified Volunteer Master Gardener

Dying Plants in Summer 2023

You may be wondering why you are seeing so many dead/dying plants this year. It is partly due to the extreme high day and night temperatures. There could be several additional reasons.

- Your plant is not suited to be grown in the Valley of the Sun as it comes from a coastal area, higher elevation or a part of the world that never experiences our extreme temperatures. It's important to know where your plant originally evolved as this will help you select plants that will grow here. Just because a local nursery or big box store sells it, doesn't mean it'll like it here.
- Your plant was not watered correctly - slow and deep but not often is the mantra. Watering daily with a system that doesn't get the water down in the soil 2-3 feet isn't getting to where the roots are. Researchers have dug up a lot of plants to learn that, here in the desert, plant roots never grow in the top 3-10" as the soil is just too hot. Roots that take up water and nutrients are often 2-3 feet down in the soil.
- Your plant might be a succulent plant like a saguaro, agave, aloe, etc. These plants are being very hard hit this summer. Saguaros and other succulents use crassulacean acid metabolism (CAM) and open their pores to exchange gases (oxygen/carbon dioxide) at night, to save water, rather than during the day as do most other plants. They wait until the temperature cools off, then open their tiny pores, called stomata, and respire. When nights are 90°F and over it prevents them from making the sugars they need for all metabolic processes. When nights are too hot, they are basically holding their breath and starving themselves. Think of it as you having to hold your breath, until you finally collapse.

To keep your landscape plants alive, buy plants suited to this increasingly hot climate, plant in October so that plants have months to get their roots established before the heat sets in, and help them by watering slow and deep, but not often. Use shade cloth to protect them especially in the first summer or two or any time they look like they are starting to yellow.



L-R: Agave melting in the heat by Sue Hakala; Fallen saguaro by Susan Anderson.

ARIZONA 811 - KNOW BEFORE YOU DIG

Are you gearing up for an exciting landscape maintenance or installation project? Before you break ground, let's take a moment to consider the unseen hazards that lie beneath the surface. Undetected utility lines, water pipes, and electrical cables could pose serious risks during excavation, potentially disrupting services and endangering lives.

As responsible landscape professionals and homeowners, it is our duty to prioritize safety and protect what we cannot see below the ground. That's where Arizona811 comes to the rescue! By making a simple call to Arizona811, you can connect with utility companies, who will mark the locations of underground lines on your project site.

Utility Marker Color Meanings:

- **Red:** Electric power lines, cables, conduit, and lighting cables.
- **Orange:** Communication lines, alarm or signal lines, and cables.
- **Yellow:** Gas, oil, petroleum, or gaseous materials.
- **Blue:** Water supply lines.
- **Green:** Sewers and drain lines.
- **Purple:** Reclaimed water, irrigation, and slurry lines.
- **Pink:** Temporary survey markings and unknown/unidentified facilities.
- **White:** Proposed excavation area.

This proactive step ensures compliance with legal requirements and safeguards you from potential accidents and costly damages. With Arizona811's guidance, your landscape projects can progress smoothly and securely, allowing you to focus on creating beautiful outdoor spaces without unnecessary worries.

Remember, safety is the foundation of every successful landscape venture. So, before you put your spade in the soil, reach out to Arizona811 to make your vision a reality without unforeseen disruptions. Wishing you a flourishing and accident-free landscape journey!

	Proposed excavation
	Temporary survey
	Electric power
	Gas, oil, product lines
	Communications, cable TV
	Water, slurry
	Reclaimed water
	Sanitary sewer system

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To Overseed or Not To Overseed? That is the question - and the City of Mesa has the answer!

By Kathrine Blomquist, Water and Lake Management Committee Member



Happy Fall! Hopefully by the time this article comes out our temperatures will be below 100 degrees. What a summer! Heat records were shattered and the monsoon season was a “non-soon” season.

Many thanks to all the residents that participated in this summer’s Shade Tree Program™, sponsored by SRP! Your free saplings will be ready for pick-up at Mesa Community College on **Saturday, November 18, 8:00 am - 1:00 pm**. If you were unable to participate this year, the program will be offered again so check www.srp.net/shadetrees for future dates.

The Shade Tree Program™ and the City of Mesa’s Trees Are Cool Initiative (see August’s Ranchers’ RoundUp) are great examples of ways to make positive changes to the environment. Here’s another local one; since the City of Mesa has asked all residents to take voluntary measures to save water, have you considered not overseeding your lawn this fall?

Do you use your grass frequently? Dobson Ranch has beautiful common areas for our enjoyment, thanks to reverse irrigation, so maybe you visit our parks instead. Here are other things to consider when deciding to overseed or not from our friends with the Environmental and Sustainability Department - **“Keep the ‘Green’ in the Bank – Save Money by Not Overseeding”**:

If you’re from a place other than Arizona, you may be partial to lots of lush trees and plants in your landscape, which could translate into a desire to keep your grass green year-round. But the City of Mesa is asking you to skip the overseeding and forgo your winter lawn – a luxury in our dry, arid desert climate where water is a precious commodity – and let your grass go dormant.

There are many good reasons to not plant a winter lawn. Here are just a few of them:

SAVE WATER – To grow and germinate an overseeded lawn, it takes 8,000 to 10,000 gallons of water for every 1,000 sq ft of grass. A small swimming pool holds around 10,000 gallons.

SAVE THE AIR – Gasoline mowers and other lawn equipment contribute to our air pollution problems, and the scalping of summer bermudagrass releases dust and other particles into the air.

SAVE MONEY – The obvious savings are in the cost of water that you won’t be using. But you’ll also save on the costs of seed, gasoline for your mower and labor (if you choose to hire someone to do it for you.)

SAVE TIME – No more scalping, seeding, watering or mowing!

And while we are talking about grass and saving money, did you know that the City of Mesa has incentives for converting your grass to a water-thrifty Xeriscape? You may qualify for up to \$1,100 as a residential customer on a future conversion project.

Still not convinced? Check out the complete list at MesaAZ.gov/conservation

USE LESS OF THIS **TO KEEP MORE OF THIS**




CONVERT YOUR GRASS TO XERISCAPE





Behind The Scenes of Mesa District 3

By *Skye Riss, Communications Manager & Ranchers' RoundUp Editor*



You may have wondered who is behind the scenes of these awesome initiatives at the City of Mesa, or how Vice Mayor Heredia is able to attend all the events. Well, look no further to Lucy Hambright, the City Council Coordinator for District 3! Lucy works very hard to ensure that everything runs smoothly so that Vice Mayor Heredia and her team members can make the biggest and most efficient impact for Mesa.

Lucy was born in Mexico, and lived there until the age of 15 when she moved to the United States. Lucy said, "The transition to a new country at such a young age, coupled with my parents' inability to speak English, placed me in a unique position where I had to take on a caregiving role and provide guidance not only for my family but also for fellow Hispanic individuals who faced language barriers. These experiences have deeply influenced my values and sense of responsibility."

From the moment Lucy arrived in the US, she was determined to pursue a career and education. She attended Mountain View High School in Mesa, Arizona, and was committed to becoming fluent in English. "I had a clear goal of going to college, securing a good job, and making a positive impact in my community," said Lucy. After high school, Lucy received several scholarships to attend a local college. However, due to her citizenship status, attending college meant paying out-of-state tuition fees that were unaffordable. With

that, Lucy had to temporarily put her college dreams on hold.

Fortunately, an opportunity came for Lucy to obtain a work permit. Lucy said, "I began my career journey at an insurance company, later moving to Wells Fargo, and then eventually finding my way to the City of Mesa. I had already grown attached to Mesa because it was the place that had given me so much, even without proper documentation. My community, friends, and family were in Mesa, and I felt a strong desire to contribute to local government to improve people's lives."

Lucy started her municipal career with the City of Mesa in 2014 in the call center, answering questions related to utilities.



"My bilingual skills were a significant asset and allowed me to assist those who could not speak English. This experience empowered me to believe that I could make a difference, one step at a time. I worked my way up through the utilities department, taking on progressively more responsible roles," explained Lucy.

In 2019, Lucy was hired as a Council Coordinator, and it felt like a significant step forward in her career. "This role allowed me to have a more substantial impact on the community. Over the years, I continued my education while working full-time, and I'm set to graduate from ASU next year with a bachelor's degree in Information Technology! My passion for technology and

helping others has been a driving force," Lucy said beaming.

Lucy's current role involves supporting the Vice Mayor and the City of Mesa's constituents. She guides residents in navigating various City services and departments, ensuring they receive the assistance they need. "The Vice Mayor is dedicated to creating meaningful change and implementing impactful programs. I share his commitment to serving the community, and it's incredibly rewarding when he acknowledges our efforts," said Lucy.



"We receive tremendous support from the Dobson Ranch community, which is encouraging. When we host events or seek feedback, the residents and HOA staff, committees, clubs and Board of Directors show up to actively participate, reinforcing our sense of togetherness. This connection is vital to me, and it's gratifying to know that our work is appreciated," thanked Lucy.

When wondering how Lucy juggles everything so well, she explained, "I've learned the importance of prioritization in my role. Each day is unpredictable, with shifting priorities and emergencies. I've become skilled at managing my workload, ensuring that urgent matters are addressed promptly, while also tending to longer-term projects. In this position, I serve as the Vice Mayor's right-hand person, managing his schedule, emails, social media, and attending meetings and events with him. It's a demanding role, but I'm proud of the impact I can make. Council Coordinators like myself play a crucial role in supporting council members and helping to shape the City's future!"

"What I cherish most about this role is its diversity. Every day brings new opportunities to learn and grow. It's a job that allows me to make a positive difference while maintaining flexibility. I encourage Dobson Ranch homeowners to reach out with their questions, concerns, or ideas. No matter the issue, we are here to assist and uplift our community," Lucy finalized.



Lakes & Fish Report

By Zach Hache, Water Resource Manager

Sedimentation of water bodies is a normal limnological process and impacts lakes and reservoirs of any size. As the amount of accumulated sediment begins to reach 15% of the water body basin it can create issues for lake managers. High levels of accumulated nutrients in the sediment can feed algae and aquatic weed growth. Accumulated sediment may impact the proper operation of the lake due to the obscuring of water balance lines and interference with transfer gates.

Dobson Ranch has conducted two sediment surveys at their lakes (2003 and 2013) to quantify how much sediment has accumulated, and project how long until sediment removal options need to be considered. There are 3 main methods of sediment removal:

1. Drain the lake and remove the material with heavy equipment.
2. Utilize a suction dredge on the surface of the lake to transport the slurried sediment where it can be removed by heavy equipment.
3. Use of a suction dredge and sediment dewatering bags to dry the material prior to hauling.

All three of these options have their own benefits and issues. Draining the lakes completely is detrimental to the fishery, and can result in odor formation from the sediment while drying in the water body basin. Suction dredging alone can be cost prohibitive due to the additional cost of hauling and disposing of wet sediment. Suction dredging and on-site dewatering requires large lay-down areas for the dewatering process. Although all of these methods are time consuming and present individual issues, removing the accumulated sediment from the water bodies is a necessary step in ensuring overall lake health for years to come.

If you see anything abnormal in the Dobson Ranch Lakes, please report it to the Dobson Ranch Administration office by calling 480-831-8314 or emailing hoa.admin@dobsonranch.com. Updates on lake activity can be found on the Dobson Ranch App. Please download today by scanning the QR code with your smart phone's camera and set the alert notification.



NOTE: It is highly recommended to use single barbless hooks when catching and releasing fish. Doing so, will reduce the trauma afflicted to the fish and keep the habitat and fish population healthy! Thank you!

Real Estate

Mesa Market Trends



Homes Sold in Dobson Ranch
August 2023: 57 Homes Sold
 August 2022: 58 Homes Sold
 July 2023: 53 Homes Sold
 July 2022: 72 Homes Sold

Median Home Sale Price in Dobson Ranch Aug. 2023: \$443,000
Aug. 2022: \$500,000
 (-11.4% Growth Year-Over-Year)

Median Home Sale Price in 85202 Aug. 2023: \$375,000
Aug. 2022: \$410,000
 (-8.5% Growth Year-Over-Year)

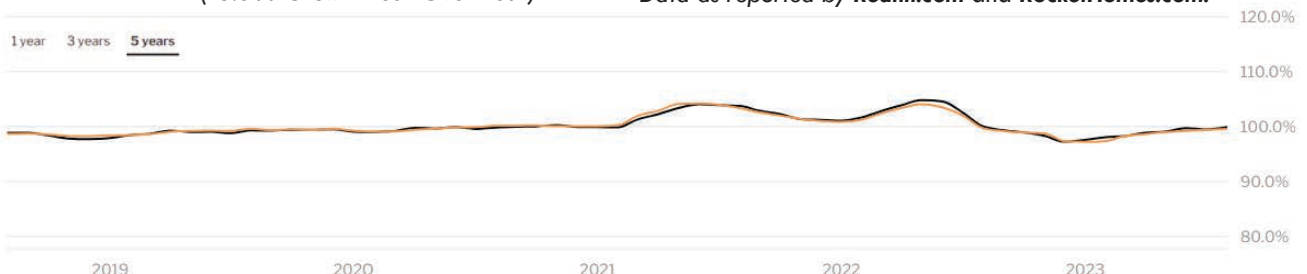
What is the housing market like in Dobson Ranch?

In August 2023, Dobson Ranch home prices were down 11.4% compared to last year, selling for a median price of \$443K. On average, homes in Dobson Ranch sell after 22 days on the market compared to 29 days last year. There were 57 homes sold in June this year, down from 58 last year.

How hot is the Dobson Ranch housing market?

Dobson Ranch is very competitive. Many homes get multiple offers, some with waived contingencies. The average homes sell for around list price and go pending in around 22 days. Hot homes can sell for around 1% above list price and go pending in around 5 days.

Data as reported by **Redfin.com** and **RocketHomes.com**.





Mesa Public Schools gears up for the October 2023 College and Career Fair

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

Mesa Public Schools is hosting the 2023 College and Career Fair. This event provides a comprehensive showcase of career opportunities, featuring higher education, trade schools, community partners, the military, and more. The College and Career Fair will be held at Mesa High School for students in grades 7-12 on Tuesday, Oct. 17 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

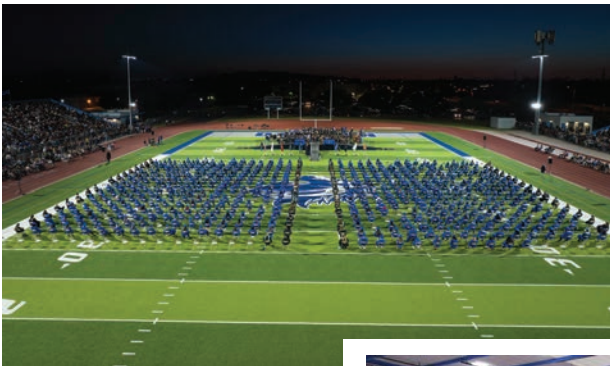
The College and Career Fair centers around the district's Promise to prepare students for college, career, and community. The Opportunity & Achievement Department at Mesa Public Schools assists students and families in pursuit of their post-secondary dreams by providing resources and working with school counselors, teachers, and administrators to guide students through career choices. School teams create individual student plans and pathways to success, engage families in the process, help navigate college admissions, and secure financial assistance to ensure students are ready for their future.

Cynthia Catledge is the Mesa Public Schools career specialist in the district's Opportunity & Achievement department. Catledge shares that the upcoming college and career fair provides a platform for students to start thinking ahead about their futures.

"At its core, the fair is about helping students understand the paths that await them beyond high school," Cateledge shares. "We want students to know that post-secondary journeys are unique to the student, and not confined to a singular route. We are fostering a culture where students feel confident in pursuing their passions, knowing that success doesn't fit a predetermined mold and looks different for each student based on their passions, interests, and aspirations."

Catledge advises students to create a list of questions in preparation for the fair, as students will have the opportunity to interact with representatives. Once students better understand their options, high school counselors will guide them in their post-secondary journey.

To learn more or register, visit: departments.mpsaz.org/o/departments/page/college-career



(Left) Graduation Ceremony; (Middle) Opportunities abound for students as they explore career options; (Right) Mesa Public Schools College and Career Fair inspires graduates to reach for the stars.



This year's Halloween Spooktacular event is going to be fun and cozy! We will be opening up the La Casita Parking lot for attending families to participate in a Trunk & Treat and watch Hocus Pocus 2 on our large movie screen! Dress up, decorate your cars, bring candy to share, and get ready to enjoy the movie and popcorn!

HALLOWEEN SPOOKTACULAR

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21
6:30 PM TO 9:30 PM
AT LA CASITA RECREATION CENTER

TRUNK & TREAT
AND FEATURED MOVIE *HOCUS POCUS 2*

BRING THE ENTIRE FAMILY!

DobsonRanchHOA.com/Event/2023-Halloween-Spooktacular



EVENT LOCATION CHANGE TO LAGUNA PARK!!

Join us for the biggest amusement park celebration of the year! We will have bounce houses, entertainers, an obstacle course, a rock wall, mini golf, games and live music by Rhythm Edition!

The food trucks at the event include Lucy's Hot Dog Cart, Nicaastro Wood Fired Pizza, and The CheeseSteak Joint. Zippy's Entertainment will bring their entertainers!

We are also now open for Vendor Applications! Visit the link on the flyer below!



50th Anniversary Celebration!

Saturday, November 4th
12:00 PM - 3:00 PM • Laguna Park

Bounce Houses • Obstacle Course • Entertainers
Rock Wall • Mini Golf • Games & Food Trucks!

Join us for some Family Fun

Lucy's Hot Dog Cart



FEATURING LIVE MUSIC BY
RHYTHM EDITION



DobsonRanchHOA.com/Event/2023-Fall-Festival



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IMPORTANT NOTICE: Starting November 1, 2023, all instructors at Dobson Ranch will offer classes and payments. If you have any questions and would like to get in touch with us, please contact us at 480-225-3582.

RECREATION CLASSES

The following classes are tentatively on the schedule and are subject to change. Please visit the events calendar for the most up-to-date information at www.dobsonranchhoa.com.

TAI CHI

Instructor: Linda

When: Wednesdays

Where: AM Classes - La Casita Recreation Center

Time: 10:00 am Intermediate Tai Chi

11:00 am Beginner Tai Chi

Cost: \$3 drop in residents, \$6 drop in non-residents

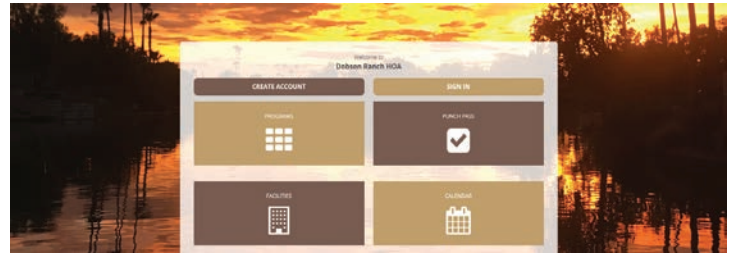
\$12 resident only for a 6-use punch card.

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. To join the class, please call Linda at 480-225-3582.



rec desk

RecDesk is our NEW Activities & Recreation Portal! Create your account today to sign up for events, classes and more! To create your account visit: dobsonranchhoa.recdesk.com/Community/Home



DANCE SAMPLER (AGES 5-8)

Class Code: 0102

When: Tuesdays, October 17th - November 14th

Where: Saratoga Recreation Center

Time: 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Cost: **Reg. 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 such as jazz, ballet, modern, hip hop, and other styles. Get moving with this upbeat, fun class and discover dance! Contact Jana Moore at 480-363-9997.



FAIRYTALE DANCERS (AGES 3-5)

Class Code: 0202

When: Thursdays, October 19th - November 16th

Where: Saratoga Recreation Center

Time: 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm

Cost: **Reg. 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 and princesses shine in this fun and creative program. Children need soft soled shoes and comfortable clothes. Ballet shoes, leotard and tights recommended. There will be a performance 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)

Class Code: 0302

When: Thursdays, October 19th - November 16th

Where: Saratoga Recreation Center

Time: 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Cost: **Reg. 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 to 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.



The La Casita Recreation Center ONLY takes credit/debit cards as forms of payment!

To clarify, this is not in reference to the CIT portal for assessment payments. ONLY recreation activities, programs and rentals!

Thank you!

As an independent contractor and will be responsible for managing their own schedules, registrations, with an instructor, please email recreationdobson@dobsonranch.com for info.



Texas Hold 'Em Tournament Style Poker (Must be 18 or older)
When: October 27th & November 17th
Where: La Casita Recreation Center
Time: 6:30 pm (arrive by 6:15 pm)
Cost: Free to residents, \$5 non-residents.

To join the group, please email Frank Mizner at planner1948@gmail.com.

Bunco

When: October 20th & November 17th



Where: La Casita Recreation Center
Time: 6:30 pm (arrive by 6:15 pm)
Cost: Free to residents, \$5 non-residents
To join the group, please email Carolyn Sedlak at fpsedlak@yahoo.com.

Bridge

When: Mondays



Where: La Casita Recreation Center
Time: 12:30 pm - 3:30 pm
Cost: \$1.00 per player
To join the group, please email Susan Toevs at suzila@aol.com.



TABLE TENNIS DROP IN

When: Fridays
Where: La Casita Recreation Center
Time: 2:30 pm start

Table tennis is available for Dobson Ranch residents only. Tables are available on a first come, first served basis. Players must be ages 13 or older to participate or if younger, accompanied by an adult. Paddles and balls are free to rent with a driver's license or school ID. To join the group, please email Frank Mizner at planner1948@gmail.com.

The Full Revised Recreation Class Policy is listed on the Dobson Ranch website under:

www.dobsonranchhoa.com/classes-and-sports/
Summary:

- Instructors of Sponsored Classes shall be independent contractors.
- The Association shall provide facility space and advertising at no cost to the instructors.
- Instructors are responsible for setting class fees and collecting all payments.
- Class registrations shall be made through RecDesk – the Association's registration platform.
- Registrations may only be made by an Association resident. Resident can include up to 3 additional guests per class on their registration, including non-residents. The registered resident must be present for the class or activity for guests to participate. Non-resident only participation is discontinued.
- All equipment and supplies to be provided by the instructor, unless otherwise agreed upon in writing.

TENNIS

All tennis lessons are at the La Casita Recreation Center.



Juniors Clinic

Sessions: Monthly
Dates: Mondays, October 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th
Time: 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Fees: \$55 R / \$75 NR

Adult Weekday Doubles

Sessions: Monthly
Mondays, October 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th
Wednesdays, October 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th
Time: 8:30 pm – 10:00 pm
Fees: \$55 R / \$75 NR

Adult Skills and Drills

Sessions: Monthly
Mondays, October 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th
Wednesdays, October 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th
Time: 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm
Fees: \$55 R / \$75 NR

Adult Weekend Doubles

Sessions: Monthly
Dates: Saturdays, October 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th
Time: 8:00 am – 9:30 am
Fees: \$40 R / \$60 NR

Tennis Tip for October 2023



By Kwong Young

Dobson Ranch Tennis Professional

It's essential to return a ball that lands on your side of the court, unless it's out of your reach or you believe it will land out. The same applies when serving - if you make a bad toss, it's important to re-toss rather than attempting to hit it, as this can lead

to poor judgment and a faulty serve. Similarly, in baseball, batters refrain from swinging when they don't find the approaching ball favorable. A server must be aware of where to place the toss, and if dissatisfied with the self-toss, you have two options: 1) catch it with your hand in the air or after a bounce, or 2) catch it with your racket after a bounce or in the air.

Remember, when you swing during a serve, it signifies your intention to strike. Therefore, if you happen to miss the ball for any reason (such as bad timing, sun glare, or windy conditions), it still counts as a serve due to your intent.

Lastly, be mindful of foot faults and ensure you stay within the designated serving area.

NOTE: November classes ongoing will remain the same except for Saturday Doubles Play. New Time: 9:00 am - 10:30 am. To register for class contact Coach Kwong (480) 759 -2248 or kyoung@slhoa3.com.



Going to the movies? Get your **Harkins Theatres** discounted tickets at the La Casita Recreation Center and **SAVE!** Credit/debit payments accepted only. Enjoy!



Dobson Ranch Retirees' Club

By Susan Toevs, Retirees' Club President

Many of you have read the last edition of the RoundUp up and seen the many persons who are members of the Retirees' Club featured. We are truly an organization sponsored by the HOA that have made a difference in bringing a great quality of life and living to the Ranch. Thanks to the Dobson Ranch HOA for sponsoring us!!

We are proud of being an active club since 1998, and look forward to welcoming you to our organization. We meet the first Monday of the month at La Casita, starting at 9:30 am for fellowship and coffee and the general meeting begins at 10:00 am. Lunch is included!

This fall is shaping up to be another busy season for us. In October, our program will be presented by Dr. Elton Bordenave from AT Still University of Health Sciences teaching us about fall prevention. November will be a program on how the Waymo transportation system works, we will even have a Waymo vehicle to examine. December will be our Annual Christmas party with a gift exchange between members.

In addition to these great programs we will once again become Santa to three families in need. It is always fun to shop, wrap, and deliver gifts to families who might otherwise have a bleak christmas. Our thanks once again to Pauline Ceti for organizing this outreach for us.

Our Membership Appreciation event is November 1st at the East Valley Institute of Technology (EVIT) center for luncheon and fellowship. Carolyn Sedlak is organizing this event, which is a gift to members for all that you have done to keep the club activities going in spite of difficult times.

With cooler weather and returning winter visitors our outdoor activities including walking, biking, hiking and picnicing are resuming! I am told that there will be a day trip planned so watch your weekly e-mail from Susan Davis for details.

In the meantime we are having fun eating out for Men's Breakfast, Ladies Lunch, Dinner Night Out, and Happy Hour. Games and Line Dancing continue in air conditioned comfort.



Dobson Ranch Women's Club

By Patty Smith, Women's Club President

Happy 42nd Anniversary, Ladies! We've come a long way, baby! We continue to be both a Social and Community Service club. Thank you for your time and generosity over all these years. We need an Out To Lunch Chair to scout seven (7) restaurants. Please let me know if you would like to help me. Kudos to our special ladies that were highlighted on the Special Edition of Ranchers' Round Up. Congratulations to the Ranch's Communications Manager, Skye, for putting the magazine together. Job well done. Thank you, Skye!

Happy Halloween! ~ Patty

Special Committee Event!

Family BOARD Game Night

October 6 & October 20

La Casita Grande room 5-7pm



**Family Board Game Night
hosted by the Dobson Ranch
Kids Camp Committee!**

**Bring the whole family!
All residents, all ages
welcomed!**

**Pizza & Lemonade provided
for kids, while supplies last.**



For the complete list of clubs, please see **Page 1** in this issue or visit dobsonranchhoa.com/join-the-club/

BRIDGE CLUB



Meets every Monday at 12:30 pm in the Chica Room at La Casita. Interested in joining? Email Susan Toevs at suzila@aol.com.

LINE DANCING



Are you interested in Line Dancing? We meet every Tuesday from 9:00 am to 11:00 am in the Grande Room at La Casita. We dance to various music. It is mostly an exercise class. Bring your own water for our break. It is open to everyone not just the ladies. Please email [We are also asking residents not to bring too many non-resident guests at one time during drop in play to avoid overcrowding. Our 8 pickleball courts at Los Altos are available to residents and their guests on a first-come basis. Also, please don't overlook the four courts at Saratoga that are available for play throughout the week.](mailto:Barbara Stout (stoutgeo@gmail.com) to get on the email list!</p></div>
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Please contact [## YOYO CLUB!](mailto:Rich Bitner (rebitner@cs.com) or Frank Mizner (planner1948@gmail.com) for further information and to get on our email list for announcements regarding pickleball schedules. Please contact Donna Ransom (donna85202@gmail.com) to get on her email list for Monday and Thursday night play. As always, wear appropriate court shoes, hydrate, protect your skin from the sun, stretch and warm up as needed!</p></div>
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The Dobson Ranch YoYo Club is here bringing a swing into our 50th Anniversary year! **Chad Robinson** is the club's President and encourages Dobson Residents of all ages and skills to join! For children ages 10 or under, a parent or guardian is required.

The club meets in the Chica Room at La Casita the **first Wednesday of every month from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm**. For more info, email dryoyoclub@gmail.com! You can also follow them on Instagram [@dryoyoclub](https://www.instagram.com/dryoyoclub).

PICKLEBALL CLUB

Lower Temps & Later Sunrise Bring Return to Winter Hours For Pickleball Play....

By Rich Bitner - Recreation Committee Pickleball Rep.

With later sunrises in the morning and lower overnight temperatures finally here we returned to our traditional 8:00 am winter start time for morning "Drop-In Play" on October 1st, which remains Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, including holidays (usually). Evening "Drop-In Play" continues on Monday and Thursday evenings from 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm under the lights.

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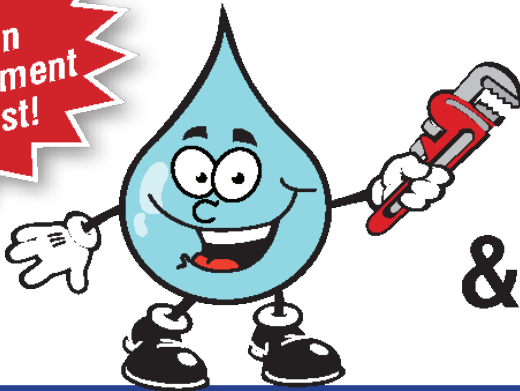
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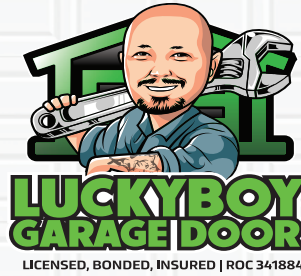
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