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Manager's Corner



Last October, the Board of Directors of the Grayhawk Community Association (GCA) and the Retreat Village Association (RVA) held a Strategic Planning Meeting to develop short-term and long-term goals for both associations, and to determine the best approach to continue to keep Grayhawk as one of the state's premiere master-planned communities. With the economy recently rebounding after years of slow growth, developers are beginning to once again build new master-planned communities in the Phoenix metro area, and new houses will be popping up all over the Valley, including in north Scottsdale.

I am sure you have noticed that there is plenty of vacant land very near the Grayhawk community, including the area east and west of Hayden Road north of the Loop 101 Freeway, and the area west of Scottsdale Road between Thompson Peak Parkway and Deer Valley Road. You may be aware that approximately 136 acres of the Crossroads East development project south of Grayhawk was sold last month to Nationwide Realty Investors. Nationwide Insurance is proposing to build a regional headquarters on this property which is located west of Hayden Road between Legacy Boulevard and the 101 Freeway. This parcel of property has also been approved for 1,200 – 1,600 new dwelling units (likely condominiums and apartments) and the GCA Board of Directors will continue to monitor any future issues and proposed development of this property.

When new residential developments are built in this area, many of the neighborhoods in Grayhawk may be close to 25 years old. The GCA and RVA Board of Directors is well aware that some home buyers looking

to purchase in north Scottsdale may be attracted to the idea of buying a brand new property in the general area of the Grayhawk community.

It is for that reason that the Board of Directors has been discussing and developing ways to continue to keep Grayhawk as a relevant and viable community in which to live, including the GCA Board's recent approval to update and refresh the community and neighborhood monument signs throughout Grayhawk. An established community like Grayhawk has many advantages over new developments including name recognition within the area, and existing community amenities including the Grayhawk Elementary School, El Dorado Private School, HonorHealth Scottsdale Thompson Peak Medical Center, two City of Scottsdale parks, two nationally recognized 18-hole championship golf courses, the Boys and Girls Club Thunderbirds Branch, two office complexes, and two shopping centers.

But most of all, Grayhawk has you! It is the residents of Grayhawk that make this community so special. The diverse demographic within Grayhawk truly makes this community like a small town. We have families with young children, families with teenagers, families with children who were young when they bought their house and are now in college or starting their careers, retirees, those nearing retirement, single individuals, seasonal residents, and many others. Finally, most of you have also taken great pride in your community and your home by continuing to maintain your property in a manner that makes you and your neighbors proud to call Grayhawk your home.

We'll talk again soon,

Michael Fee

Grayhawk Community Manager

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BOARD MEETINGS – OCTOBER 2018

Board meetings are open to residents and we encourage you to attend.
Your involvement does make a difference!

Grayhawk Board of Directors

Mon., Oct. 1 at 5:30 p.m. in the
Talon Room, GCA office
Grayhawk_board@grayhawkcommunity.org

Grayhawk Board of Directors Executive Session Meeting

The Board of Directors will be meeting in
Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. Section
33-1804 (A)(3) at 5:00 p.m. in the GCA office.

Retreat Village Board of Directors

Mon., Oct. 1 following GCA meeting
in the Talon Room, GCA office
Retreat_board@grayhawkcommunity.org

Retreat Village Board of Directors Executive Session Meeting

The Board of Directors will be meeting in
Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. Section
33-1804 (A)(3) at 5:00 p.m. in the GCA office.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Communications Committee

Call Jennifer Sheets at 480-563-9708 for
more information.

Event Planning Committee

Call Sarah Van Dwyne at 480-563-9708 for
more information.

Landscape Committee

Call Stacey Harvey at 480-563-9708 for
more information.

Operational Review Committee

Call Stacey Harvey at 480-563-9708 for
more information.

Architectural Review Committee

Tues., Oct. 2 and 16 at 4:30 p.m. at the
GCA office.

OTHER ASSOCIATIONS

Avian Condominium Association Board Meeting

Tues., Oct. 16 at 6 p.m. in the Raptor
Room, GCA Office. Call Associated Property
Management 480-941-1077 for details.

Cachet at Grayhawk Condominium Association Board Meeting

Wed., Oct. 17 at 6 p.m. in the Cachet
Clubhouse. Call FirstService Residential at
480-551-4300 for details.

Crown Point Board Meeting

Call Stacey Harvey at 480-563-9708
for details.

Edge Condominium Association Board Meeting

Visit www.theedgegrayhawk.com or call
480-584-4647 for details.

Encore Condominium Association Board Meeting

Wed., Oct. 17 at 6:30 p.m. in the Encore
Clubhouse. Call HOAMCO at 480-994-4479
for details.

Tesoro Condominium Association Board Meeting

Mon., Oct. 22 at 6 p.m. in the Tesoro
Clubhouse. Call Kinney Management at
480-820-3451 for details.

Venu Condominium Association Board Meeting

Tues., Oct. 16 at 7 p.m. in the Venu Great
Room. Call Associated Property Management
at 480-941-1077 for details.

Village at Grayhawk Condominium Association Board Meeting

Thur., Oct. 18 at 6 p.m. in the Raptor Room,
GCA Office. Call FirstService Residential at
480-551-4300 for details.

Vintage Condominium Association Board Meeting

Mon., Oct. 8 at 10 a.m. in the Talon Room,
GCA Office. Call Associated Property
Management at 480-941-1077 for details.



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VISION

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assets.

Grayhawk Master Association Board of Directors Meeting – September 10, 2018

Development Committee

David Van Omen reported that a 136 acre parcel in the Crossroads East development south of Grayhawk has been sold to Nationwide Insurance. This parcel is located west of Hayden Road between Legacy Boulevard and the 101 Freeway. It was also noted that a new Italian restaurant, Parma Italian Roots, will be moving into the old Cold Beer and Cheeseburgers location at the Grayhawk Plaza.

Operational Review Committee

Richard Zielinski reported that the committee did not meet.

Landscape Committee

Arlene Smith reported that the committee did not meet. DLC Resources continues to work on routine maintenance throughout the community. The watering schedule has been reduced and mow heights have been lowered to prepare for overseeding.

DLC's arbor special projects crews have been working to remove the 39 stumps that remained from storm damage that occurred in July and August. The committee will be meeting soon to determine tree replacement priorities.

Community Enhancement Committee

Bob Mann reported that the committee did not meet.

Event Planning Committee

Linda Shaw reported that Sarah Van Duyne, along with a few Event Planning Committee members, had completed site visits at the four final organizations selected for an annual charitable partnership. The committee was presented with information on each organization and the recommendation of the smaller group, and all agreed on a partnership with Arizona Helping Hands, which provides basic needs to children in foster care in Arizona. Linda gave an overview of the organization for the Board of Directors.

Sarah Van Duyne reported that the Pinspiration String Art event was successful. Attendees were able to create their own string art to take home and proudly display. Many asked for similar classes in the future and Pinspiration said they are happy to come back.

The Superhero Breakfast Bash went extremely well. The J.W. Marriot did a fantastic job with the food and the characters were well received by all of the kids in attendance. Upcoming events include Just For Her: Football 101 and a meditation series with Joey Bellus of Premier Fitness.

Communications Committee

Jennifer Sheets reported that there are still some kinks being worked out on the new website. Unfortunately, most of the problems we're having seem to lie in the registration and payment process, which is a highly trafficked area of the website. Civic Plus support is working diligently to correct the issues.

Advertising is starting to pick back up as we approach the winter months.

Architectural Review Committee

Paul Alessio reported that there were two meetings in August and a total of 12 submittals.

The monument sign project is still in progress. The committee has been looking at new stone options and examples are currently on display at the Hayden Road monument.

Board members who had seen the stone samples shared that they were very pleased with the direction that the Architectural Review Committee had taken.

Budget/Finance Committee

Jeanette Griswold reported that the committee did not meet but will be meeting in September and October to discuss the 2019 GCA and RVA proposed operating budgets.

Executive Committee

Linda Shaw reported that the committee did not meet. The Strategic Plan updates and accomplishments were shared, including conclusion of the charitable partnership selection and progress on the monument sign.

New Business – GCA Holiday Light Proposal

Michael Fee presented a bid from Custom Holiday Lights for the 2018 holiday lights. In addition to major Grayhawk intersections, lighting will be added at the Tesoro front and back entrances and at the Encore entrance, as was previously approved by the Board of Directors. Also, additional lights have been added to the Venu entrance and the NE corner of Hayden Road and Thompson Peak Parkway during the past several years and those are included in this proposal. The proposal also includes decorating a tree or saguaro at 10 neighborhood monument signs, and adding more LED lights this year.

A motion was made and approved to pay Custom Holiday Lights \$45,693.30 for the 2018 holiday lights.

Treasurer's Report

Jeanette Griswold reported that the July GCA financial report included the invoice for this year's tree trimming project which resulted in a deficit for the month, however, the GCA remains almost \$20,000 under budget for the year.

Management Report

Michael Fee reported that the Playground Police completed their initial inspection of the eight Grayhawk tot lots. Overall they look great, although bushings need to be replaced on some bridges and additional Sof' Fall manufactured wood fiber needs to be added in a few locations.

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Front Yard Landscaping

By Roger Tornow, Landscape Architect and
Architectural Review Committee Member

The goal of the landscape guidelines is to create a vibrant landscape that mimics the character and beauty of the natural plant compositions found in the surrounding Sonoran desert. This includes large shrubs to create screening and a transition from the vertical architecture to the horizontal ground plane, smaller shrubs to transition towards colorful ground cover plants that provide interest in the yard. Similar to the compositions found in the nearby desert, accent plants are used modestly to create year-around interest and texture in the landscape when other plants are not blooming. An entire yard of cactus dilutes the value they create as an accent and present an unnatural appearance when compared to the natural desert. These goals are applied to all front yards to create continuity and consistency from home to home throughout Grayhawk to create a uniform streetscape while the guidelines allow for more individualized, personal expression in the rear yards.



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In & Around Grayhawk

Easy As Pie - Bus Trip to Apple Annie's

Fri., Oct., 5.

Approximate pick up time: 7:30 am, Approximate drop off time: 6:30 pm

(Times are subject to slightly change)

Apple Annie's, Wilcox, AZ

Travel to Wilcox for some of the best pie ever! Spend the day on the farm enjoying a flavorful harvest of pick-your-own apples, pears, peaches, pumpkins and more! Enjoy tasty lunch that includes their award-winning apple pie. Cost to participate is \$99.00 and can be paid by Visa or MasterCard over the phone at 480-926-5547. This price includes: roundtrip bus transportation, visit/tour of Apple Annie's to pick your own harvest, and lunch! To register and pay, please call Free Spirit Vacations at 480-926-5547 or email reservations@freespiritvacations.com and tell them you are with Grayhawk. You will be sent more information and final documentation prior to departure. If 10 or more Grayhawk residents register, they will pick us up in Grayhawk. Otherwise, the pick up location will be Mimi's restaurant at Shea Blvd and the 101 Freeway.



Hand to Heart Meditation

Led by Joey Bellus with Premier Fitness Systems

Sun., Oct. 7 from 5:45 pm to 7 pm

Talon Room, GCA Office, 7940 E. Thompson Peak Pkwy. Ste. #102

Meditation – What is it? Who is it for? How do I do it? What does meditating actually do for me? Joey Bellus, personal development coach at Premier Fitness Systems, has created this class to help break stereotypes that surround meditation and to help YOU! He implements herbal teas, chocolate, live music, and other details into his classes that help reduce stress, anxiety, and quiets the mind. Over the past 8 years, Joey has mastered his craft by traveling to Peru to study with a Shaman and took part in sweat lodge ceremonies in Minnesota. Learning how to take control of thoughts, emotions, and slowing down a racing mind is a huge part of personal development, and something you can learn to do during our meditation series. Cost to participate is \$15. We must have 10 people registered and paid with cash or check at the Grayhawk office by Thursday, October 4 to hold this class. Please RSVP online at www.grayhawkcommunity.org.

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New Resident Orientation

Wed., Oct. 10 at 6 pm

Talon Room, GCA Office, 7940 E. Thompson Peak Pkwy. #102

Join us to learn a little more about your new community and all it has to offer. Meet your neighbors, learn a bit about the association and win prizes! Bring your appetite- appetizers, desserts, and water will be served. Kids are welcome! RSVP online at www.grayhawkcommunity.org by Mon., Oct. 8.

Harvest Wine Glass Painting

Thurs., Oct. 18 from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Talon Room, GCA Office, 7940 E. Thompson Peak Pkwy. #102

Enjoy an evening with Sunny Hall, retired art teacher and owner of Paint and Gogh, as she takes you through the steps of painting your very own wine glasses. You do not need to be an experienced painter to participate in this fun class. Cost to participate is \$30 per person and includes all supplies (including stencils and embellishments), two wine glasses to decorate and take home, and light snacks. Tell your friends and get a group together to come enjoy a fun evening while you learn a new skill! RSVP online at www.grayhawkcommunity.org or in the GCA office with cash or check by Oct. 16. Checks should be made out to Sunny Hall.

Adopt-a-Road Clean up

Sat., Oct. 20 from 8 am to 10 am

Meet at GCA Office, 7940 E. Thompson Peak Pkwy. Ste. 102

In an effort to keep our community beautiful, we are looking for volunteers to help us on this clean up day! The City of Scottsdale will provide all volunteers with gloves, trash bags, safety vests, and cold waters. We will not be in the road, all litter pick up will be up on the property beyond the curb. We will meet in the GCA office at 8 a.m., go over some quick instruction, and then we will start walking the trails. The walk will be approximately 1 mile each direction, a little over two miles in total after both sides of the road are cleaned. All volunteers 17 years of age and under must come with a parent or guardian. This is a great way to complete community service hours for school. We are only able to accommodate the first 20 volunteers who register. All others will be encouraged to sign up for the next chosen date in the winter. Please register online at www.grayhawkcommunity.org by Thursday, October 18 to hold your spot.

Grayhawk Single Sippers Club

Wed., Oct. 24 at 5 pm

Gordon Biersch, 18545 N. Allied Way, Phoenix

If you are a single looking for casual conversation and the chance to meet some other singles in your neighborhood, then this event is for you! Come grab yourself a light bite to eat and a drink all while meeting some new people. In honor of Oktoberfest, Gordon Biersch will have a beer taster flight this month! You can select 5 of their beers to try for only \$5; all the tasters are 4 oz. so it is a great way to sample a wide variety at a good value. This is a fun way to broaden your circle of friends and to try something new. Our reservation starts at 5 p.m., but you are welcome to join a little later if you cannot be there by 5 p.m. We must give the restaurant our final count of attendees by Monday, October 22. RSVP by that date at www.grayhawkcommunity.org.



Peak Performance Pain Relief Seminar

Wed., Oct. 24 from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm

Talon Room, GCA Office, 7940 E. Thompson Peak Pkwy #102

Join us in welcoming Dr. Leisa Grgula of Accurate Care Pain Relief Center. Dr. Leisa is a Chiropractic Physician who is licensed in Acupuncture, Certified COX Decompression Manipulation and is a corporate wellness speaker. She focuses on successful proven treatment plans for your individual aches and pains. She will be discussing preventative treatments that professional athletes use to perform at their best before injuries occur. Main topics include:

- Acupuncture
- Cupping
- Traditional Chinese Medicine

If you have been suffering from chronic or acute pain, any time passed is too long to wait to fix it. Even without a current injury, this is a great way to learn how to keep your body performing at its best. Register online at www.grayhawkcommunity.org by Monday, October 22.



Grayhawk Pumpkin Patch

Sat., Oct. 27 from 11 am to 1 pm
Monterey Park Greenbelt

Throw on a costume and come pick out the best pumpkin in our “patch!” Get creative at the DIY pumpkin decoration station and then join in on other fun that includes a corn maze, crazy games, Debs Dragons, face painting, and a mechanical pumpkin. DLC Resources, our community landscaping company, will be cooking and supplying hotdogs, cold refreshments, and potato chips. Don't think we forgot about dessert, there will be plenty of sno-cones to go around. RSVP online at www.grayhawkcommunity.org and prepayment of \$8 per child must be received by no later than Monday, October 22. Registration will be taken through Friday, October 26 at noon. Cost will go up to \$10 per child if registered between Tuesday, Oct. 23 - Friday, Oct. 26. There will be NO event day walk-ups for this event. Special thanks to Trident Security, DLC Resources, Andrew Bloom and David Van Omen with BVO Luxury Keller Williams AZ, and Club Pilates Scottsdale Promenade for sponsoring this incredible event.

Living Trust Seminar

Tues., October 30 from 10 am to 11 am

Talon Room, GCA Office, 7940 E. Thompson Peak Pkwy. Ste. 102

Join us for this free seminar to learn about the latest strategies to protect your estate. Have you considered what would happen to your loved ones in the event of your disability or death? Learn why a will is not enough. Why many people with Living Trusts will end up in probate. Learn how to avoid it. A good estate plan coordinates what happens to your home, savings, investments, business and retirement accounts. Find out what may have changed, needs updating, or is still applicable in Arizona. Come learn how to put a plan into action to help protect your legacy, your family and your future. Guests will have an opportunity for questions after the seminar with Attorney Richard M. Dwornik. Presented by Dwornik Law. RSVP by Friday, Oct. 26 online at www.grayhawkcommunity.org to reserve your seat.

Grayhawk Hiking Club – October 2018

To learn more about these hikes and/or RSVP, go to <http://www.meetup.com/Grayhawk-Hiking-Club/>. To participate, you must have joined the club online (if you have not already done so) and RSVP'd “YES” to this event. On the website, you can review many other upcoming hikes and email the organizers with questions.

SAT. OCTOBER 6 AT 8:00 A.M.

Brown's Ranch Latigo Loop

This 4-5 mile easy loop hike is ideal for beginning hikers. Estimated hiking time is approximately 2 hours.

SAT. OCTOBER 20 AT 8:00 A.M.

Dreamy Draw Crazy 8 in Phoenix Mountain Preserve

This 4-5 mile easy hike is best suited for beginner to intermediate hikers. Estimated hiking time is approximately 2 hours.

SAT. OCTOBER 27 AT 8:00 A.M.

Pipeline Trail near Lake Pleasant

This 8 mile moderate hike is great for intermediate hikers. Estimated hiking time is approximately 3-4 hours.

Grayhawk Night Out – Welcome Back Winter Visitors!

Thurs., Nov. 1 from 6 pm to 8 pm, Fairmont Scottsdale Princess, 7575 E Princess Dr.

Help us welcome back our seasonal residents by celebrating together at the Fairmont Scottsdale Princess. We would like to offer you an opportunity to welcome back your neighbors, and to re- connect with friends you haven't seen in a while! Imagine tasty appetizers, great drinks, live music, your friends, family and neighbors all around. Thanks to our Sponsors: Kelley Carter and John Doering with The Agency Group at My Home Group and Dwornik Law for making this event possible and only \$20 a person. \$20 will include delicious tray passed appetizers, your first drink, valet parking, live music and an ambiance that can't be beat. Join us in kicking off the winter season and don't forget your dancing shoes! Space is limited! RSVP at www.grayhawkcommunity.org and pay by Monday, October 29 to reserve your spot.

COMING SOON!

Health & Wellness Jamboree: For Every Age, Body, and Mind

Sat., Nov. 10 from 11 am to 2 pm, Grayhawk Greenbelt, Corner of 78th Pl and 78th Way

Enjoy samples of tasty, healthy options from favorite area restaurants like JJ's Deli, Poke Spot, Protein House, Nektar Juice, and more, all while enjoying the sounds of our live DJ. Kids will love the rock wall, Bounce Bootcamp and golf games sponsored by the Grayhawk Golf Club. Stay active following the revolving stage with classes like Yoga, Zumba and Pilates. We will also have an incredible raffle including a one night stay for two at the CIVANA Carefree Resort. Cost for the event is \$3 for adults and free for kids 12 and under and paid by November 9. All delicious eats, activities, and goody bags at the event are included in the registration cost. RSVP online at www.grayhawkcommunity.org to get in on this first time Grayhawk event! A huge thank you to our sponsors and participants: David Van Omen and Andrew Bloom with BVO Luxury Keller Williams AZ, Premier Fitness Systems, Club Pilates Scottsdale Promenade, Focal Point Salon & Spa, and Floo-id Yoga for making this event an unforgettable experience!



Help Support Grayhawk Family and ForeBatten

In celebration of its 20th year, Grayhawk Elementary School PTO is hosting a Fall Festival on Friday, October 19 from 5:00-8 p.m. (7525 E. Grayhawk Dr.). The event will feature festival games, activities, food trucks and entertainment from 80s cover band, Rock Lobster.



In honor of the 20-year celebration, the event will raise awareness and funds to support Grayhawk family, the Kahns and the ForeBatten Foundation. The event, which is open to everyone, features a night full of food, fun and fantastic entertainment. Find more information and purchase wristbands to support ForeBatten by visiting the event site at <https://forebatten2018.auction-bid.org>.

Golf Course Architect David Kahn and his wife Karen moved their family of four to Grayhawk in 2014. After some struggles, they had finally hit their stride. David, the cofounder of Jackson Kahn Design, was finding professional success having completed the renovation of Monterey Peninsula Country Club's Dunes Course (now ranked 94th in GOLF's Top 100) and the original design of Bob Parsons's new 18-hole course at Scottsdale National and its accompanying Bad Little Nine.



Their daughters, Amelia and Makenzie, were born in 2010. They brought both the joy and challenges that young girls always do. Karen, previously an architect working on custom home designs, had put work on hold to raise her daughters. Near her second birthday, Amelia was diagnosed on the autism spectrum. Karen dedicated herself to finding the best programs and services to help Amelia through the diagnoses. Both girls were happy preschoolers.

Things started to change when the girls were in Kindergarten. Karen grew concerned about Amelia's eyesight and after a series of testing, the family was hit with devastating news. In early 2017, both girls were both diagnosed with juvenile Batten disease, an exceedingly rare neurological disorder for which there is no cure. The Kahn family started adapting to their daughters' changing needs, which meant modified school schedules and doctor appointments. Despite that, they do their best to create a normal life for their girls.

After receiving the girls' diagnosis, the Kahn family created The ForeBatten Foundation. ForeBatten's mission is to fund pioneering research and compassionately support the Batten community. They are driven by the hope that a treatment or cure can change the future for all children affected by Batten disease. Rare diseases like Batten do not receive the same government assistance as other, more prevalent diseases, so ForeBatten encourages parents and caring individuals who are not willing to accept the fate of children diagnosed with Batten disease.

The girls are now in 3rd grade at Grayhawk Elementary School. They have declining vision, but manage to do almost everything other kids can do. Amelia has a love for Karate, Jane Goodall and monkeys, and her sister Makenzie loves horseback riding, penguins and zebras.

As is with all of our residents, the Kahn Family is part of the Grayhawk Family. Many of you are probably wondering how you can help. Start by taking a look at www.forebatten.org. There, you can learn more about Batten disease and even donate to help fund research.



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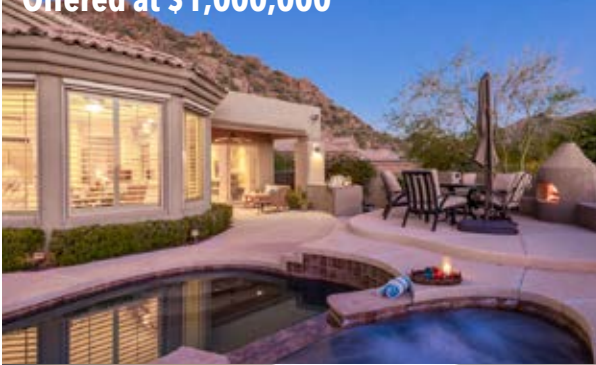
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7 Meditation 5:45 pm Talon Rm	8 Vintage BOD Mtg. 10 am Talon Rm	9	10 New Resident Orientation 6 pm Talon Room	11	12	13
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Arizona Musicfest 28th Season Brings Show-Stopping Lineup to the North Valley

The 28th annual Arizona Musicfest festival season will present a diverse lineup of exceptional artists from country superstar Wynonna Judd to legendary music icon Neil Sedaka. Arizona Musicfest's 2018-19 concert series includes 27 performances from November 2 through March 15. All performances take place in North Scottsdale.



Headlining the annual Fall Fest is Wynonna and the Big Noise on November 17. Having first risen to fame as one half of the beloved country duo The Judds, Wynonna has since evolved into a major solo artist. With eight studio albums, a live album, a holiday album, and over 20 chart-topping singles, Wynonna has sold over 30-million records worldwide.

This year's Fall Fest also features a celebration of the music of Billy Joel and Elton John (Nov 2), the return of Las Vegas favorites The Bronx Wanderers (Nov 8) and the Anderson and Roe Piano Duo (Nov 13). Called "the most dynamic duo of this generation," Anderson & Roe have performed as recitalists and orchestral soloists, as well as appeared on PBS, BBC and MTV. Their Emmy-nominated music videos have been viewed by millions. These vibrant artists are revolutionizing the piano duo experience for the 21st century.

The Ten Tenors bring holiday fun to North Scottsdale on December 3. Join Australia's rockstars of opera as they amaze and enthrall with their unique selection of traditional and contemporary seasonal favorites. With soaring



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Festival highlights also include Broadway's leading man, Brian Stokes Mitchell; stars of The Venetian Las Vegas, Human Nature; jazz trumpet legend Herb Alpert and Grammy Award-winning singer Lani Hall; and Lonesome Traveler, a theatrical concert experience featuring special guest Peter Yarrow, of Peter, Paul and Mary... Stellar ensembles coming to the Musicfest stage include the legendary Count Basie Orchestra, as well as swing greats Big Bad Voodoo Daddy.



Highlighting this year's Festival Orchestra Week are two momentous concerts featuring violin virtuoso Gil Shaham and the Violins of Hope, a rare collection of violins recovered from the Holocaust. The Festival Orchestra, under the direction of Maestro Robert Moody, is comprised of musicians from the nation's finest orchestras. This ensemble will perform six concerts in February, including works by Tchaikovsky, Dvorak, Bach, and Mahler. Award-winning American pianist Andrew von Oeyen joins the Orchestra for *Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 3*.

"Arizona Musicfest has experienced tremendous growth over the last few years," said Arizona Musicfest Executive and Producing Director Allan Naplan. "With a continued expansion of our Festival concert programming, including more performances than ever before with top level artists, we look forward to providing another exciting season!"

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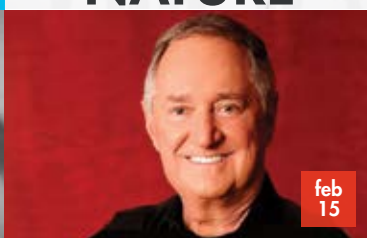
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Crab Artichoke Stuffed Mushrooms

By Lori Bosch and daughter, Stephanie, Cachet at Grayhawk

I love to have friends over to sample my new recipes, so I recently invited my tennis team to our home, which was a little intimidating because they are all adventurous foodies. They are great cooks, and about once a month we all meet up to try new dishes at a new restaurant. One of the appetizers I decided to make for my team was crab-stuffed mushrooms. I've never tried to make them before because I don't like artificial crab meat, and I've never found lump crab meat in a grocery store that wasn't canned. But while I was shopping at Whole Foods, I found Pontchartrain lump crab meat (comes in a plastic container) near their fresh fish counter, and I was inspired! It would be so much easier than steaming crab legs and cracking/pulling out the meat.

Since I didn't have a recipe, I decided to blend all of my favorite things together and give it a try. I love crab. I love spinach and artichokes. How could these mushrooms not be delish? They turned out amazing! The stuffed mushrooms were cheesy, creamy, crabby and tasty and they held up well in the chafing dish for a few hours until they were gone. It is a hearty appetizer that was a hit with my foodie tennis team and will be a hit at any party, no matter the season or occasion.

And always, always, always be adventurous with your cooking... just mix together your favorite ingredients and you will likely come up with a new delicious recipe!

We welcome your feedback, suggestions and recipe requests! Please feel free to email us at boschl@me.com.



Crab Artichoke Stuffed Mushrooms

Prep time: 20 minutes

Ingredients:

- 8-10 large white stuffer mushrooms (lightly washed, and stems twisted out)
- 8 ounces Philadelphia cream cheese
- 10 ounces lump crab meat
- ½ cup parmesan cheese
- ½ cup Monterey jack cheese
- ½ cup mozzarella cheese (save half to top off mushrooms)
- 1 egg
- ½ can quartered artichoke hearts (chopped finely)
- About 25 fresh spinach leaves (chopped finely)
- 3-4 green onions, white tops removed (chopped finely, save half for garnish)
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- ¼ cup mayonnaise
- 2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce
- 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
- Few dashes of Tabasco sauce
- 1 teaspoon garlic salt
- 20 grinds fresh black pepper

1. Preheat oven to 400 degrees. In large bowl, combine all four cheeses with crab, egg, artichoke hearts, garlic, spinach, green onions, mayonnaise, Worcestershire sauce, lemon juice, Tabasco, garlic salt and pepper.
2. Stuff mushrooms with mixture and transfer to a baking sheet, sprayed lightly with olive oil.
3. Top mushrooms with remaining mozzarella cheese and garnish with a few chopped green onions.
4. Bake until mushrooms are cooked and mixture is warmed through, approximately 25 minutes. Broil for an extra minute or two for browning, if desired.



Sip and Tell

By Sue Lukenbill, *Encore*

It is that time of year again when we can finally say goodbye to that last stretch of hot weather which brings with it our first hints of Arizona fall. Football is in full swing, and the World Series is fast approaching. I truly love this time of year. The fall mornings are so beautiful, and I love the evenings where I enjoy singing “*In the cool, cool, cool of the evening...*” Don’t worry, I don’t plan on being on **American Idol** or **America’s Got Talent** any time soon!

Over the years I have reviewed a handful of pizza and Italian restaurants. I look forward to October every year because it is National Pizza Month and National Italian Heritage Month. I’m not Italian, but I’ll use both of those as an excuse to eat like one. There are quite a few great Italian restaurants in our area, but for some reason Grayhawk’s Director of Communications Jennifer Sheets and I have never dined at one of the most popular, **North Italia**. This month seemed like the perfect opportunity!

Many restaurants that opened at Kierland Commons have been there from the shopping destination’s inception, and **North** is no different. Part of the Fox Restaurant Concept Group, they proudly serve made from scratch food using only the best ingredients. Their modern approach to traditional Italian food is very on-trend. They offer seasonal ingredients, artisanal preparation, inventive flavor combinations and satisfying dishes.

Our lunch was delightful and casual, just as I had expected based off comments from friends and family. The decor and ambience was inviting, nice but not overly stuffy. The outdoor patio looked lovely, but it is still too hot to sit outside to eat for this ‘ol gal.

Because this month is National Pizza Month and I am a pizza addict, my choice from the menu was easy. I ordered the prosciutto pizza with mission fig, goat cheese, and arugula. I loved it! The prosciutto was very lean, and all of the flavors worked well together. It was cooked to perfection. Jennifer ordered the seasonal vegetable salad with chicken. It was served with kale, roasted cauliflower,



clementine, date, avocado, farro, golden raisin, quinoa, goat cheese, almond and sherry vinaigrette. Jenn thoroughly enjoyed her salad.

We also ordered the zucca chips (zucchini) which were light and crispy. They must be a fairly popular starter, as I noticed at least three other tables in the restaurant ordered them.

North at Kierland also has four event spaces, which includes Bar North, a party space with an indoor dining room and outdoor lounge patio. When you host an event or party there, you can treat your friends and family to a truly handcrafted experience. They also have a restaurant on wheels, **The Rocket**, which can serve up your favorite cheesy and saucy delights. **North Italia** can bring their pizzas, salads, and sandwiches to you for private parties up to 300 people.

Next time you are out shopping in Kierland Commons, stop by and refuel and check it out. The happy hour is great from 3-6 p.m. Monday – Friday and all day on Sundays. Bottles of wine are also half price on Sundays.

Until next month, Happy Halloween!

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Denizens of the Desert: Cholla

By Victoria Kauzlarich, Volare

I think I speak for all Cholla (pronounced CHOY-ya) when I say that they're tired of being dismissed, maligned and otherwise denigrated for being ugly and useless. While it may be that these plants are an acquired taste, to know them is to appreciate them. So, let the appreciation begin, shall we? We shall!

Cholla spent many years categorized as a subgenus of the Prickly Pear (*Opuntia* - Latin for prickly). Both cacti grow in segments but their segments are quite different from one another. Prickly Pear have pads and Cholla segments are cylindrical. Now, at long last, these differences have received formal recognition with Cholla getting their own genus. Aptly, the new genus designation is *Cylindropuntia*. Well, of course, right?

The Myth of the Jumping Cholla

All Cholla have cylindrical segments that are, shall we say, weakly attached. Often referred to as "jumping cholla", the myth is that a cholla segment will literally jump from its host plant and imbed itself into the nearest unsuspecting sentient being. Dogs and humans should be wary of these plants but the plants are not capable of sending their segments flying.



Teddy Bear Cholla with Segments Growing into New Plants

The fact that the segments break off easily ensures the plant's survival. The downside is that when the segments attach themselves to skin, fur or clothing, they are difficult to remove. Wise hikers take a comb with them to easily remove a pesky segment.

There are approximately 35 species of Cholla - all of them native to the southwest, south-central US and northern Mexico. Unlike their Prickly Pear relatives, Cholla blossoms are often inconspicuous. Their full buds promise a lovely flower but the flowers themselves are generally disappointing.




Buds on a Buckhorn Cholla

Big but Manageable

Most species of Cholla get quite large and if you have a space away from foot traffic and browsing house pets, they can be pretty magnificent. The Staghorn Cholla, shown here, can reach 7' x 8'.

But, if you want to keep the plant smaller than that, pruning is easy. Just grab a set of tongs and a chef's knife. Wearing protective gloves, hold a segment with the tongs and cut it with the knife where the segments join. To propagate, set the segment(s) aside in the shade for 4-5 days and the replant into a pot or your landscape (using your trusty tongs).

One of my favorite Cholla actually grows into a tree-like shape that can reach 7' high by 10' wide. The Chain Fruit Cholla retains its fruit into long bead-like strings. Like other Cholla, this one blooms but, despite the plant's size, its flowers are sparse and really small. They are only about an inch across, but a vivid magenta. Again, this is a plant that requires ample space - away from foot traffic and curious house pets.



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Staghorn Cholla at Maturity



Chain Fruit Cholla at Maturity

A Manageable Size, Bullet-Proof and a Lovely Flower

There are a couple of Cholla that might be a better fit for your landscape or in a pot. Pencil Cholla grow to a maximum 4' x 4'. Big, if never pruned, but if you've got a side yard, courtyard or patio that gets a lot of reflected heat, this might be your best bet.

Pencil Cholla are less imposing than their relatives and have segments just about the diameter of a pencil. They are prolific bloomers and, unlike other Cholla, their flowers contrast brightly with the cactus stems. Pale yellow with deep yellow centers, these cup-shaped flowers are really eye-catching.

Another smaller alternative is the Diamond Cholla - growing only to about 2' x 2'. These have masses of 2"-3" spines so, again, keep them away from foot traffic and curious house pets.



Chain Fruit Cholla Flower

The Answer to Reflected Heat

As our summers grow ever-hotter, the Cholla genus may turn out to be a local hero. This is a set of plants that can really take the (reflected) heat. I've grappled with my side yard ever since I planted it and am slowly zeroing in on those plants that can tolerate five hours of direct-hit summer sun reflected off two masonry walls with a sidewalk in between.

I added two Pencil Cholla to this mix last fall and the early indications are that these are the right plants in the right spot. I'm pretty sure that's the definition of "landscape nirvana" and, for us plant geeks, it doesn't get any better than that!

Come back next month to learn more about another desert denizen: Aloes - these (largely) winter bloomers are just the pick-me-up that our landscapes and pots need during the winter months.



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Grayhawk Partners with Arizona Helping Hands



In early 2018 the Grayhawk Communications Committee met with the Event Planning Committee to share thoughts on the benefits of selecting a non-profit community partner. The Event Planning Committee loved the idea and almost immediately set out on the task of finding the right partner for Grayhawk. The committee of 10 wanted a partnership that provided a wide range of opportunities for residents to engage and make a difference. Their mission statement throughout the search process as stated by committee members Lauren McDermott was, "One measure of our future partnership will be the sheer number of residents who embrace it."

After an exhaustive search, the committee narrowed their options to four organizations, composed a list of questions to provide further insight to the non-profit and then conducted site visits with the finalists. The committee was overwhelmed with the generous work being done by all four non-profits, but ultimately felt that Arizona Helping Hands was the right fit for Grayhawk.

Arizona Helping Hands is a non-profit organization providing basic essential needs to boys and girls in foster care in Arizona. Founded 20 years ago, Arizona Helping Hands has the philosophy: do one good deed a day and don't take credit for it.

With over 17,000 children in the foster care system in Arizona, Arizona Helping Hands certainly stays busy, providing a wide range of services and programs to satisfy a constant need.

"They really have ongoing needs that we as a community can help fill," said Lifestyle Director Sarah Van Duyne. "As a committee, we were really drawn to the fact that they have so many ways for residents of Grayhawk to get involved. If someone wants to support Arizona Helping Hands by volunteering, they can. If they want to do a donation drive, they can. If they simply want to support them financially, they can."

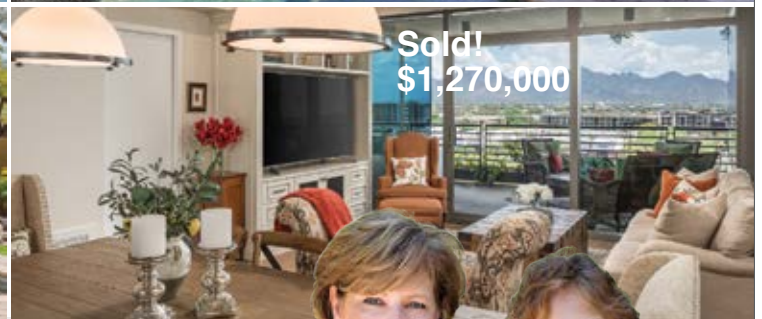
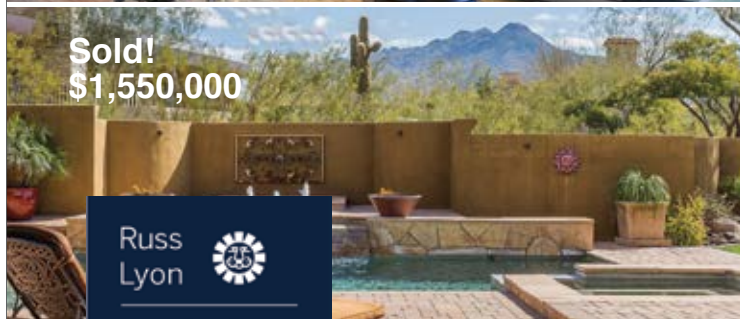
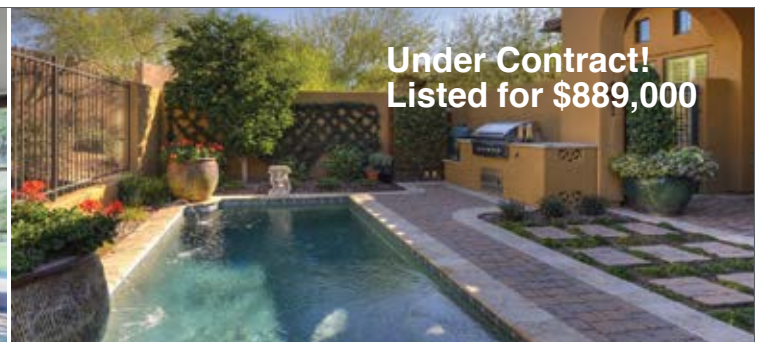
Arizona Helping Hands provides basic necessities for foster children, including beds, cribs, bed linens, diapers, wipes, gently used clothing and dream kits (personal care items). In addition, they offer a number of special programs for foster support, which are outlined below.

Birthday Dreams

Many children in foster care have never celebrated a birthday. Through Birthday Dreams, Arizona Helping Hands provides personalized birthday gift packages to guarantee every child has a celebration. They have already provided 1,670 gift packages in 2018.

Back to School

Through various partnerships, Arizona Helping Hands is able to provide backpacks filled with school supplies for students entering Kindergarten through 12th grade each year. In 2018, they have provided 6,700 backpacks to help foster children succeed in school.



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Holiday Toy Drive

Every holiday season, Arizona Helping Hands provides toys, personal care items, clothing, etc. to individuals and organizations through partnerships with social service agencies, schools, hospitals, and through direct requests. These same toys will be used throughout the year to provide birthday, graduation and other important occasion gifts to children in foster care.

They are making the holidays joyful for children who may not otherwise have had a Happy Holiday.

Footlockers

In late 2017, Arizona Helping Hands launched Foster Footlockers, designed to ease the fears and concerns of the children who are in a group-home setting in Arizona. They have so many things to worry about and the safety of their personal belongings should not be one of them. The footlockers will be a way for children in foster group homes to store their personal belongings safely. In 2018 121 footlockers have been provided.

Licensing Safety Products

Arizona Helping Hands also provides fire extinguishers and other necessities required for approval to be a foster care home. These services are available to families completing their foster licensing process. They have provided over 690 products this year.

So what's next?

The Board of Directors was impressed with the opportunities available through Arizona Helping Hands and agreed that this would be a beneficial partnership for the Grayhawk Community. They sent committee members a clear message at the September



Board of Directors meeting that they had the full support of the Board moving forward.

The Event Planning Committee is excited to start working on ways for Grayhawk residents to connect and give back to Arizona Helping Hands. There are so many opportunities for the community to help, including collection drives, filling backpacks, decorating birthday bags, volunteering on site at Arizona Helping Hands and supporting the organization with financial gifts.

The committee will be working on ways for Grayhawk to get involved, and will make sure those opportunities are publicized through The Grayhawk Flight, The Buzz and on social media channels. Keep your eye out for more information!

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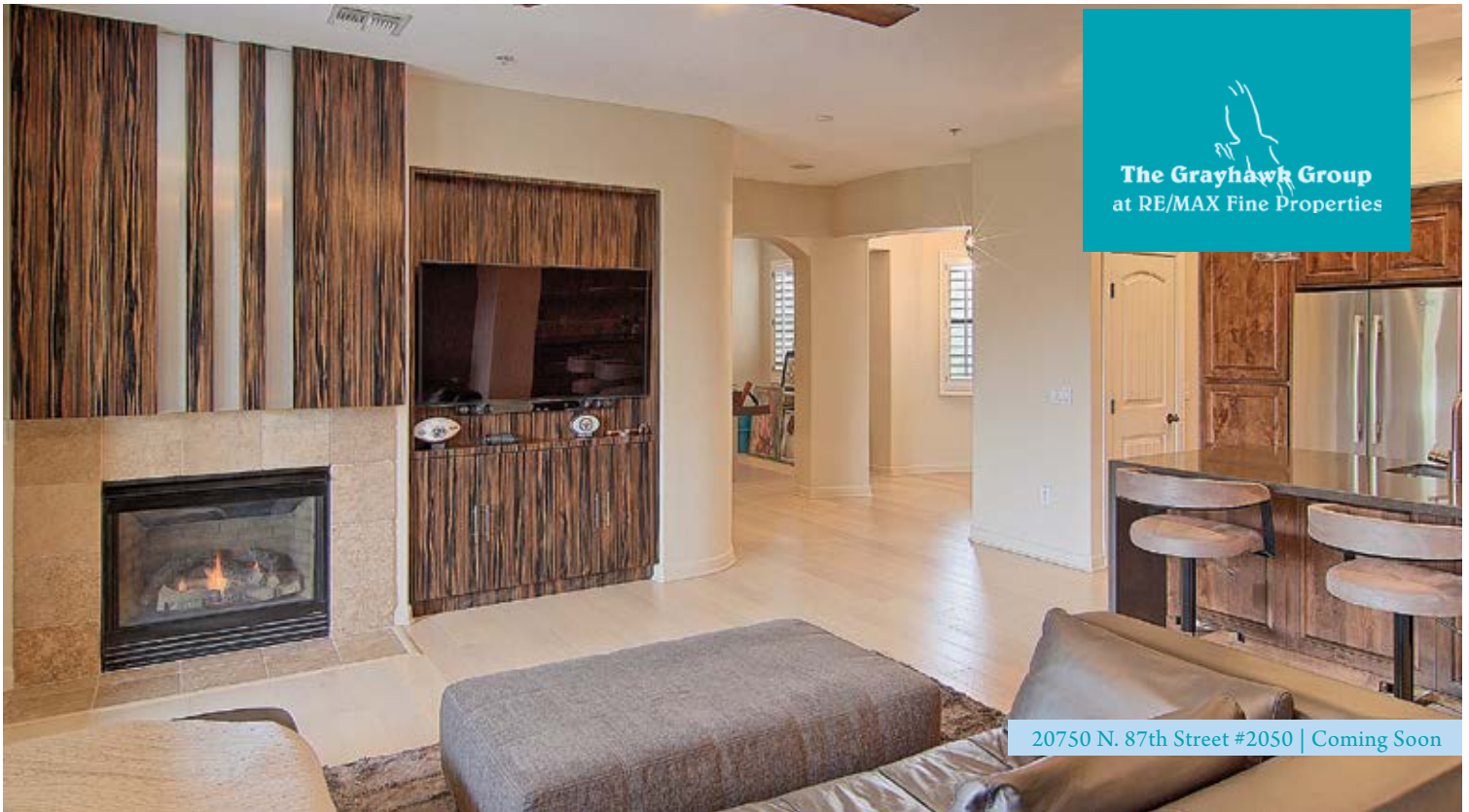
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