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- October 25-26 – Spooktacular: Friday glow-in-the-dark foam party and Saturday costume party with caramel apple bar, cotton candy, DJ, face painting, games, pumpkin carving, spooky photos and more!

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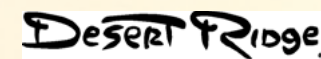
- November 28 – Annual Turkey Trot: Led by our JW turkey including runners number, snacks and drinks.
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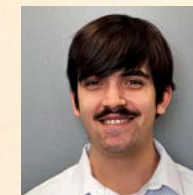
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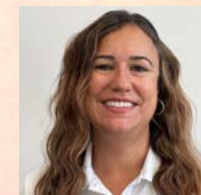
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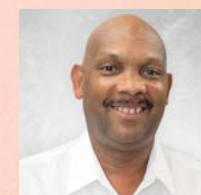


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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Fall Begins!



Hello to our Desert Ridge Community Residents:

As our temperatures drop slightly, welcome to our fall season in Desert Ridge.

Our community is one of the leading residential places in Arizona to live and thrive. Our facilities are growing and our neighborhoods are looking great. We have great shops and our residents are engaging. I am looking forward to our Fall Season after a long hot summer session. As fall begins, we look forward to more outdoor activities and new restaurants in the area to enjoy.

We continue to maintain our community to high standards and let us continue to improve on that by keeping our parks beautiful and keeping pet waste to a minimum.

We have received many submissions from our residents to the Design Review Committee, and I humbly thank you all for those submissions. Those are what keep our community beautiful and maintained to our high standards.

Vision:

My vision for Desert Ridge remains the same and improving on that vision this Fall. Communication with our many residents is paramount and I thank our residents for their continued feedback during monthly meetings. We hear you and we are listening as a board and as residents of our great community.

A gentle reminder that school is back in session and take the time to slow down on our

roads to keep our students safe.

Keep evolving and never settle.

Thank you, Desert Ridge Community. I am excited for our Fall season.

Until next time. see you at one of our next meetings.



Reginald Younger, Jr.
President
Desert Ridge Community Association



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Join Us the First Saturday of Each Month from 7:30 am to 10:00 am for Cars & Coffee on High Street! Visit www.Highline-Autos.com for complete event details including show vehicle registration, spectator parking, etc.

HIGH STREET

5415 E High St, Phoenix, AZ 85054

@HighlineAutos



FROM THE LIFESTYLE COMMITTEE

Holiday Events



Alex Liggins
Chair
Lifestyles Committee

Can you believe it? Fall is almost upon us, and soon the sweltering summer heat will be just a memory. I can already picture the leaves in the meadows turning their beautiful shades of red and gold, the crisp air, and maybe even a cozy hike up in Flagstaff. As we transition into this magical season, I'm excited to share some fantastic events that will bring us all together. So, grab your calendar, and let's plan some fun!

Farmers Market on High Street

Kicking off on October 6th and continuing every Sunday from 9 AM to 1 PM, our cherished Farmers Market is back and better than ever. Imagine strolling through High Street, the scent of fresh produce in the air, discovering unique local crafts, and maybe even finding that perfect homemade treat. It's more than just a market—it's where our community gathers, and I can't wait to see you there!

Community Meet & Greet

Let's come together for our Community Meet & Greet on November 7th from 6 PM to 8 PM. Whether you're new to Desert Ridge or have been here for years, this is a wonderful opportunity to make new friends and reconnect with neighbors. We'll share stories, laugh, and maybe even create some new traditions together.

Falooza Festival on High Street

Mark your calendars for October 19th because our Falooza Festival on High Street will be an evening to remember! From 5:30 PM to 10 PM, we'll fill the street with music, delicious food, and a whole lot of fun. This event is all about celebrating the season with our amazing community, and I'm so excited to share it with you all.

Mega Community Wide Yard Sale/Shred-A-Thon

Got some clutter to clear? Our Mega Community Yard Sale and Shred-A-Thon on November 2nd is the perfect chance to declutter and recycle responsibly. The yard sale runs from 7 AM to 2 PM, and you can bring documents for shredding to the Boys and Girls Club Vestar Branch from 1 PM to 3 PM. It's a great way to refresh your space and maybe find a few treasures along the way!

Annual Veterans Day Appreciation Breakfast

We're deeply honored to host our annual Veterans Day Appreciation Breakfast on November 11th from 8 AM to 11 AM. This breakfast is our way of saying thank you to those who have served our country. See page 11 for details. If you, a family member, or a friend have served, we warmly invite you to join us for this special morning of gratitude and fellowship.

Coffee Club Meeting

Don't forget, our club meeting is coming up on December 10th at 9 AM. These meetings are a great way to stay connected and involved, and we'd love to see you there.

The Seventeenth Annual Lighting and Decorating Contest

The decorating contest will run November 29th through December 9th. See pages 14-15 for more details on how to participate. We hope to see the community get creative and festive this year!

Snow Blast at Reach 11

Join us for the Snow Blast on Friday, December 20th, from 6 PM to 9 PM. Just like last year, this event will be a blast—literally, with snow blasting! More information is attached.

I'm looking forward to all these wonderful moments with our Desert Ridge family. Let's make this fall season one to remember!

All events and activities are subject to change according to the CDC and state guidelines and/or inclement weather. More information about the events and activities, visit our website desertridgelifestyles.org or Facebook page.

Local Events & Activities

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Halloween Spook-Track-Ula 2024

McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park
7301 E. Indian Bend Road, Scottsdale

October 6 – 31, 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Admission: \$15 per person | \$10 weeknights 8 PM. Children ages 2 and under are Free.
Members: 50% discount
www.therailroadpark.com/event/halloween-spook-track-ula/

Bring your friends and family to this family-friendly event perfect for all ages. There will be train rides, carousel rides, food and drinks for purchase. Tickets must be purchased online via ActiveNet. Visit the website for more information.

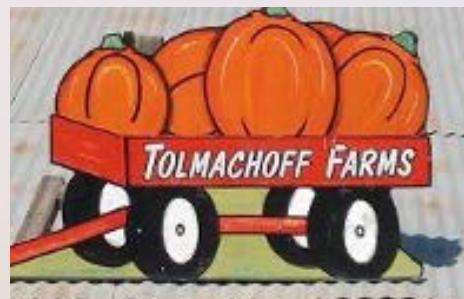


Spooktacular Hot Air Balloon Festival

Salt River Fields at Talking Stick
7555 North Pima Road, Scottsdale

October 25 – 27, 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM
Admission: Adult GA \$22.00; Children 3 – 13 \$17.00
Kids 2 and under are FREE!
www.azspooktacular.com

The Spooktacular Hot Air Balloon Festival has over 20 hot air balloons from all over the country with a trick-or-treat station with over 4,000 pounds of candy, tethered balloon rides, and spooky costume contest. Free parking. Additional charge for tethered balloon rides.



Pumpkin Patch at Tolmachoff Farms

5726 N. 75th Avenue, Glendale

October 31, 7:00 PM
Admission: \$17.00
www.tolmachoff-farms.com

This six-acre family corn maze brings a new theme with a map to guide you. There is a mini maze for children. All mazes are haunted for those to dare to enter. Enjoy the hay pyramid, adult/child pedal cart track, petting zoo, and more. Sorry, no pets allowed. Service pets trained to aid disable individuals are permitted.



Phoenix Pizza Festival

1202 N. 3rd Street, Phoenix

November 16-17
Admission: General Admission \$16, Kids 5 and under are FREE. All tickets must be purchased online and in advance.
www.phoenix.pizza

The 9th Annual Phoenix Pizza Festival is back! Enjoy the variety of full and unique pies from local pizza makers. There will be over 20 food vendors with tasty foods like pasta, meatballs, and specialty desserts, local bands, lawn games, and market vendors.



Tempe Festival of the Arts

1 W. Rio Salado Parkway, Tempe

December 6 – 7, 10:00 AM – 5:30 PM
December 8, 10:00 AM – 4:30 PM
www.tempefestivalofthearts.com

Come to the Tempe Festival of the Arts, one of the oldest festivals in the Southwest. Enjoy all the activities, such as live music entertainment from local and regional music, a Kids Block, a variety of food vendors and fun entertainment for all ages. This is a festival you do not want to miss.



The Muppet Christmas Carol

Orpheum Theatre
75 North Second Street, Phoenix

December 17, 2024, 6:30 PM
Admission: Adult \$16.00; Child (Ages 12 & under): \$11.00
(602) 262-7272

Enjoy the performance from the Muppets performing the Dickens classic holiday tale of the Christmas Carol.



Taco Fest

Salt River Fields at Talking Stick
7555 North Pima Road, Scottsdale

October 19, 11:00 AM – 7:00 PM
October 20, 11:00 AM – 6:00 PM
Admission: General Admission \$15; VIP \$100 (must be 21+); Regular \$45.00. Kids 12 and under are free.
www.tacofestaz.com

Come enjoy Arizona's annual celebration of the taco culture and makers. Experience the creations of tacos, the Agave Show to enjoy top tequila and mezcal tasting, local bands, DJs, and so much more.



Fright Night Haunted House at Verde Canyon Railroad

300 N. Broadway, Clarkdale

October 25 – 31, 5:00 PM – 11:00 PM
Admission: \$25.00; \$5.00 when purchased with train ticket
info@verdecanyonrr.net

Get ready for the Fear of a lifetime at Verde Canyon Railroad's Haunted House railcar at the Clarkdale depot. You will have all five senses highly stimulated during this Halloween ritual. Food and beverages are available for purchase at the train depot.



Water Lantern Festival

Kiwanis Lake
5992 South All American Way, Tempe

November 1 – 2, 3:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Admission: \$35.99 until 10/25, Late \$45.99
Until 11/1 - \$55 day of the event
www.waterlanternfestival.com

Enjoy the therapeutic experience of the Water Lantern Festival creating great memories and fun that you will never forget. Every adult ticket includes a floating lantern kit, LED candle, commemorative drawstring bag, conversation cards, playing cards, marker, and Lantern retrieval and water cleanup.



The Magical Christmas Journey to the North Pole with Verde Canyon Railroad

300 N. Broadway, Clarkdale

November 29 – 24
4:00 PM | 5:30 PM | 6:30 PM, and 7:00 PM
Admissions: Kris Kringle Klass: 11 and over \$60-\$70
10 and under \$40-\$50
www.verdecanyonrr.com

The Magical Christmas Journey to the North Pole is a magical experience for all ages. You will be met by Santa Claus & Mrs. Claus and Santa's elves will perform the tale of Princess Noel and Flurry the Christmas Eagle.



Fantasy of Lights Boat Parade

Tempe Town Lake and Tempe Beach Park
80 W. Rio Salado Parkway, Tempe

December 14, 4:00 PM – 9:00 PM
Admission: Free
www.downtowntempe.com

The Fantasy of Lights Boat Parade is a free family-friendly holiday event with festive treats, a spectacular boat parade of all kinds, and a extravagant firework show.



Guaranteed Rate Bowl

Chase Field, Phoenix

December 26, 3:30 PM
Admission: Starting at \$70
tickets@fiestabowl.org

Experience the thrill of live sports like never before. This is your chance to witness college athletes compete for glory, and you won't want to miss it! Whether you're a die-hard fan or just looking for a fun day out, the Guaranteed Rate Bowl is the perfect opportunity to come together, cheer on your favorites, and celebrate the spirit of competition.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR

Falooza

ON HIGH STREET

October 19 5:30 p.m.

DOUBLE FEATURE MOVIE • GAMES • FACE PAINTING
CORN MAZE AND TRUNK-OR-TEAT

Get ready for an unforgettable evening of family fun! From games, to face painting to corn mazes, **Falooza on High Street** has something for everyone. Bring your family and friends and don't miss out on this evening of fall fun!



FEATURED MOVIE:

Monsters, Inc.

**Ghosbusters:
Frozen Empire**

LOCATION:

54th Street & High Street

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VETERANS DAY BREAKFAST

★ MONDAY, NOV 11 ★

AT MIMI'S CAFE

WHEN:
Monday, November 11
8 am-11 am

WHERE:
Mimi's Cafe, 21001 N. Tatum Blvd., #88
Phoenix, AZ 85050

We would like to thank you for all your love, sacrifice, loyalty, and bravery! ALL veterans, active military personnel, and their immediate families will receive breakfast complimentary of Desert Ridge Community Association and Mimi's Cafe at Desert Ridge Marketplace.

All veterans and active duty service personnel must RSVP for this event by noon on Friday, November 8, 2024 at: desertridge.az@fsresidential.com and provide the number of immediate family members attending.



2024 Veterans Day Poster Contest winner, Myisha Godette



SANTA PAWS

November 15-December 15

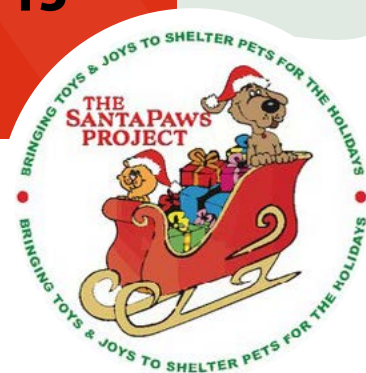
The Santa Paws Project is a pet toy drive for dogs and cats in residence at Maricopa County Animal Care and Control over the holidays.

PET ITEMS NEEDED *(new items only please)*

Dog collars, dog leashes, dog enrichment items and treats, hot dogs, durable toys, puppy pads and newspaper, fleece blankets

DROP OFFS

Collections boxes will be in place in Aviano, Toscana, Fireside Community Clubhouses, the Desert Ridge Community Association office and their booth at the High Street Farmers Market.



**"To a human,
it's just a toy.**

**To a shelter pet,
it's everything!"**



MEGA COMMUNITY-WIDE

YARD SALE

& SHRED-A-THON

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2

YARD SALE: 7:00am-2:00pm | Shred-A-Thon: 1:00pm-3:00pm

If you reside in a gated neighborhood, contact your sub-association community manager for information.

Goodwill of Central Arizona will be parked at the Boys & Girl's Club Vestar Branch at 3975 E. Lockwood Drive, Phoenix from 1:00 pm-3:00 pm collecting unwanted clothing, shoes, furniture, books, electronics, housewares and more! The Shred-A-Thon will also be at the Boys & Girl's Club Vestar Branch from 1:00 pm-3:00 pm.

QUESTIONS?

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Desert Ridge

2024 SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL

Holiday Lighting & Decorating Contest

Our community's Seventeenth Annual Desert Ridge Holiday Lighting and Decorating Contest will arrive soon. Our Desert Ridge Board and Lifestyles Committee members would like to encourage our community participation to commemorate our Seventeenth Year of the Holiday Lighting and Decorating Contest and invite our residents, their families and friends to participate. Please be reminded to email your Holiday Lighting and Decorating Contest entry form by November 29 to desertridge.az@fsresidential.com.

EXCITING PRIZES FOR THE BEST LIGHTS & DECORATIONS

- Overall Best Presentation 2 Night stay at JW Marriott + \$200 Gift Card
- Best Creative Presentation..... \$150 Gift Card
- Deck the Halls..... \$150 Gift Card
- Winter Wonderland..... \$150 Gift Card
- Best Theme \$150 Gift Card
- Best Decorated Neighborhood Bragging Rights!

HOW TO ENTER

To enter, please email desertridge.az@fsresidential.com with your email subject line titled, "**DRCA Holiday Contest Entrant**". Provide your name, address, city, state, zip code, phone, email address, and photo of lights and decorations.

Rules subject to change without notice.

Entries not chosen as a winner are eligible for \$25 gift cards to be awarded from a drawing of all eligible entries received. Contest winners are not eligible to win the same category in consecutive years. All prizes and entrants gift cards must be claimed no later than **Monday, February 10, 2025**. Prizes and/or gift cards not claimed by the stated due date will be forfeited. Photographs will be taken of winning holiday displays and are property of the Association.

*Accommodations courtesy of JW Marriott Phoenix Desert Ridge Resort & Spa. *Gift cards, courtesy of Desert Ridge Community Association.

RULES

1. Your contest entry info must be received by **Friday, November 29, 2024** by email only (see email instructions below).
2. The association will begin marking entrants' yards for judging the week of **Monday, December 9, 2024**.
3. Residents are not required to be at home, however, the holiday display must be illuminated from 6 pm until 10 pm starting on **Monday, December 9, 2024** ending on **Friday, December 13, 2024**.
4. Winners will be notified by the association.
5. Contestants must be a member in good standing with all assessments current and no existing compliance matters outstanding with the association.
6. Please provide photos of the lights and decorations in the contest.





Desert Ridge
Phoenix Parks & Recreation
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SNOW Blast

at Reach 11 Sports Complex
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20TH

WHEN & WHERE

December 20, 6pm – 9pm
Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

Reach 11 Sports Complex
2425 E Deer Valley Dr
Phoenix, AZ 85050

WHAT

FREE community event featuring snow fall, inflatables, a craft zone, face painting, games, music, food trucks, and most importantly, pictures with Santa Claus.

For more information, contact Sharon James at 480.551.4559 or sharon.james@fsresidential.com

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WINTERLAND
THE LODGE: ALPINE BAR & KITCHEN
TWINKLE TOWN KID RIDES
WINTER CHARACTERS
NATIVITY GARDEN
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November 22, 2024 – January 4, 2025 | ChristmasAtThePrincess.com



AUTUMN FESTIVITIES FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Local Arizona PUMPKIN PATCHES

As the leaves turn and the air becomes crisp, fall invites us to celebrate the season with delightful outings, and what better way to embrace this time of year than by visiting one of Arizona's charming pumpkin patches? These vibrant locales are perfect for families and friends seeking to enjoy the beauty of fall together. From picturesque hayrides to engaging corn mazes, each pumpkin patch offers a unique experience that fosters community spirit and connection.

PHOENIX AREA

Morimer Farms Pumpkin Fest & Corn Maze

Dewey, AZ
morimerfarmsaz.com | (928) 830-1116

September 27 – October 2
Admission: \$15.50 | Children 2 & under free.

Halloween Town Pumpkin Patch

Gilbert, AZ
halloweentownaz.com | (602) 855-0882

October 19 – October 22,
October 26 – October 31
Admission: \$25 unlimited Day pass,
\$5 per person

Schnepf Farm

Queen Creek, AZ
schnepffarms.com | (480) 987-3100

October 3 – October 31
Admission: General Admission \$25.95 |
Military/Veteran \$15
Police & Firefighter \$15
Children 2 and under are free

Rocker 7 Farm Patch

Buckeye, AZ
rocker7farmpatch.com | (480) 640-5606

October 10 – 3 pm – 6 pm
October 27 – 9 am – 6 pm
(480) 640-5606
Admission: Individual (All Ages 2+) – \$10 + Tax,
Military, First Responders, Senior Citizens –
\$8 + Tax, Children Under 2 are Free!

Mother Nature's Farm

Gilbert, AZ
mothenaturesfarm.com | (480) 892-5874

September 21 - October 31
Admission: Farm entrance fee is \$15 per person

Tolmachoff Farms Pumpkin Days and Corn Maze 2024

Glendale, AZ
tolmachoff-farms.com | (602) 999-3276

October 2 – October 31
Admission: \$17 per person

SOUTHERN ARIZONA

Marana Pumpkin Patch

Marana, AZ
marnapumpkinpatch.com | (520) 305-5481

October 5 – October 27
Admission: Thursday \$20 online, \$23 at the gate. Friday \$22 online, \$25 at the gate. Saturday & Sunday \$25 online, \$27 at the gate. Children 2 and under are free

Apple Annie's Orchard Pumpkin Patch

Willcox, AZ
appleannies.com | (520) 384-2084
Admission: \$5 per person, 3-109 years old
Pumpkin Pricing: \$5 - \$65 depending on size

All events and activities are subject to change. For more complete information about the events and activities, call or visit the individual websites before planning your visit.





STAY SPOOKY & SAFE

Halloween Safety Tips from City of Phoenix Police

Essential Halloween safety tips from Phoenix Police for a spooky, yet secure, night of trick-or-treating and fun!

Halloween is a time of excitement and anticipation for children and adults alike. It's a chance to dress up in fun costumes, go trick-or-treating, and enjoy spooky decorations. However, amidst all the fun, safety should remain a top priority. The City of Phoenix Police Department is here to provide you with essential Halloween safety tips to ensure a spooktacular but safe celebration.

Guidelines for Parents and Trick-or-Treaters

- **Adult Supervision:** Always ensure that a responsible adult accompanies children during their trick-or-treating adventure. This helps ensure their safety and provides guidance throughout the evening.
- **Safe Costumes:** Choose costumes that are not restrictive, do not hinder vision, and are visible at night. Costumes with light-reflecting materials are highly recommended, as they make children more visible to drivers.
- **Treat Inspection:** Teach your children not to consume any treats until you've had a chance to carefully inspect them at home. Look out for any signs of tampering or unusual packaging.
- **Homemade Treats:** It's best to avoid homemade treats, baked goods, or fruits and nuts unless you know and trust the source. Stick to factory-packaged candies.
- **Well-Lit Areas:** Opt for trick-or-treating in well-lit neighborhoods and approach only well-lit homes. This helps you see where you're going and ensures you visit homes where residents are likely to be expecting trick-or-treaters.
- **Carry Lighting:** Adults should carry flashlights, and if possible, children should have some form of portable lighting to improve visibility during the night.
- **Traffic Safety:** Follow all traffic rules for pedestrians, especially as motor vehicle traffic tends to increase on Halloween. Be cautious as you move around with your children, and remind drivers to be extra vigilant for trick-or-treaters.

Guidelines for Those Distributing Treats

- **Avoid Homemade Treats:** It's best to steer clear of distributing homemade treats. Parents may be hesitant to allow their children to consume them unless they know and trust the source.
- **Well-Lit Homes:** If you plan to hand out treats, make sure your home is well-lit to provide a safe and welcoming environment for trick-or-treaters.
- **Be Wary of Solicitations:** Be cautious of individuals approaching your home seeking monetary donations or selling products. Halloween is not the time for such solicitations. If you can't verify the legitimacy, it's best not to participate.
- **Child Safety:** If you're concerned about a child being out alone without adult supervision, don't hesitate to call your local police for assistance.

Additional Points to Remember

- **Group Safety:** Older children, especially those over 12 years old, should travel in groups and stick to familiar neighborhoods.
- **Respect Hours:** Adhere to the designated trick-or-treating hours established by your community to ensure everyone's safety.
- **Report Suspicious Activity:** If you observe any suspicious activity in your neighborhood, report it to the police immediately.
- **Celebrate Safely:** Halloween marks the beginning of the fall and winter holiday season. Let's kick it off by prioritizing safety to ensure a wonderful and enjoyable Halloween for our community.

By following these Halloween safety tips, you can ensure that your Halloween is not only spooky but also safe and memorable for all the right reasons. Have a fantastic and secure Halloween celebration!



Mama's Spice Cake

Recipe courtesy of Taste of Home

Ingredients:

Cake

1-1/2 cups sugar
1 cup raisins, chopped
1 cup water
3/4 cup butter, cubed
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon ground allspice
1/4 teaspoon ground cloves
1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg
4 large eggs, separated, room temperature
2 cups all-purpose flour
3 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon baking soda
3/4 cup chopped pecans

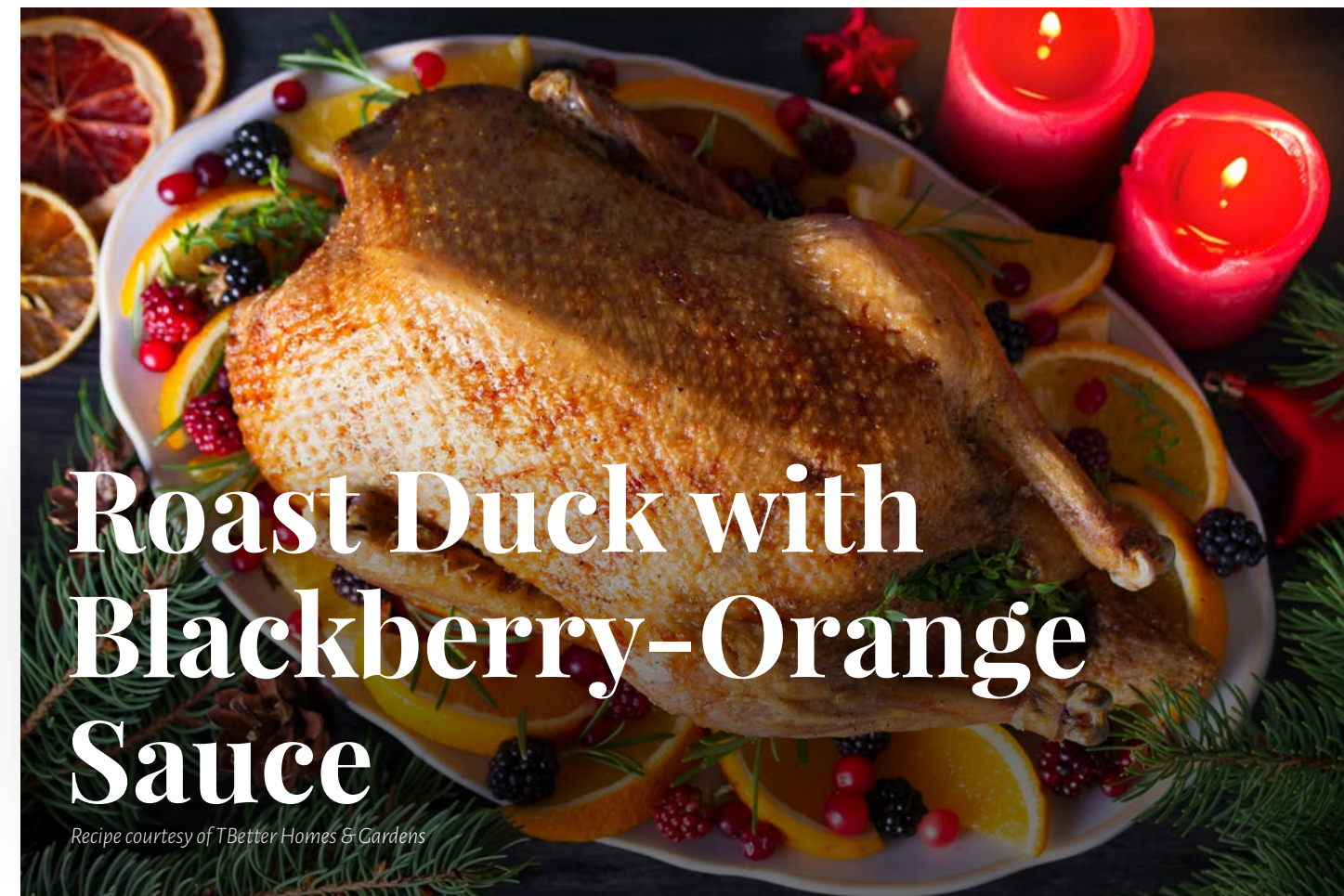
Cream Cheese Frosting:

1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened
1/4 cup butter, softened
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
Pinch salt
4 cups confectioners' sugar

Directions

Directions

- In a large saucepan, combine the first 8 ingredients; cook and stir over medium-low heat until sugar is dissolved. Remove from the heat; cool.
- In a large bowl, beat egg yolks; gradually stir in spice mixture. Combine the flour, baking powder, salt and baking soda; gradually add to spice mixture until blended. Stir in pecans. In a small bowl, beat egg whites until soft peaks form, fold into the batter.
- Pour into 2 greased and floured 9-in. round baking pans. Bake at 325° until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean, 35-40 minutes. Cool for 10 minutes before removing from pans to wire racks to cool completely.
- For frosting, in a large bowl, beat cream cheese and butter until fluffy. Add vanilla and salt. Gradually beat in confectioners' sugar until smooth. To decorate, spread frosting between layers and over top and side of cake, leaving cake slightly exposed on the side. If desired, top with pecans, cinnamon sticks, bay leaves, rosemary sprigs and confectioners' sugar. Store in refrigerator.



Roast Duck with Blackberry-Orange Sauce

Recipe courtesy of TBetter Homes & Gardens

Ingredients:

1 4-6 pound domestic duck

1 teaspoon sea salt
1 teaspoon cracked black pepper
1 small orange, quartered
1 stalk celery, cut up
1 small onion, quartered
2 sprigs fresh thyme
2 tablespoon orange liqueurs
1 cup hot water
1 tablespoon finely shredded orange peel
1/2 cup orange juice
1/4 cup packed brown sugar
1/4 cup orange liqueur
1/4 cup mild-flavor molasses
1 teaspoon grated fresh ginger
2 cloves garlic, minced
1/2 teaspoon sea salt
1/2 teaspoon cracked black pepper
2 cup blackberries
Blackberries (optional)

Directions

Directions

- Adjust oven rack to lower third of the oven. Preheat oven to 500°F. Rinse duck body cavity, pat dry. Rub the cavity with 1 teaspoon salt and 1 teaspoon pepper. Place orange, celery, onion, and thyme in cavity. Skewer neck skin to back; tie legs to tail. Twist wing tips under back. Brush duck with 2 tablespoons orange liqueur.
- Place duck, breast side down, on rack in a shallow roasting pan. Add the hot water to the roasting pan. Place in the lower third of oven. Reduce oven temperature to 350°F. Roast, uncovered, for 45 minutes.
- Carefully remove roasting pan from oven; drain fat. * Turn duck, breast side up. Roast for 45 to 60 minutes more or until drumsticks move easily in their sockets (165°F). Juices may still appear pink.
- Meanwhile, for sauce, in a small saucepan whisk together orange peel, orange juice, brown sugar, the 1/4 cup orange liqueur, the molasses, ginger, garlic, 1/2 teaspoon salt, and 1/2 teaspoon pepper. Bring to boiling; reduce heat. Simmer, uncovered, for 10 to 12 minutes or until thickened and syrupy. Stir in 2 cups of blackberries. Use a potato masher or fork to coarsely mash berries. Cover and set aside.
- Transfer duck to a cutting board; let stand for 15 minutes. Discard stuffing mixture. Using kitchen shears, cut duck in half lengthwise. Cut each half between the breast and the thigh into 2 pieces. Drain fat from roasting pan. Arrange duck quarters in pan. Pour blackberry sauce over the duck. Return to oven. Roast in the 350°F oven for 30 minutes.
- Transfer duck pieces to a serving platter. Pour any juices in roasting pan over duck pieces. If desired, serve with additional blackberries.

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MUSICAL INSTRUMENT MUSEUM

Check out the upcoming concerts this summer at the Musical Instrument Museum.

OCTOBER:

Will Downing
October 18 & 19 at 7:30 PM
\$80.50-\$90.50
Fresh melodies, lush arrangements of classic R&B

MusicaNova Orchestra
October 20, 6:00 p.m.
\$33.50-\$38.50
The innovative Valley ensemble plays Copland, Burgos de la Rosa, Harrison, and Tailleferre

Rick Wakeman
October 21 & 22, 7:00 p.m.
\$90.50-\$120.50
A sought-after musician of the late '60s and early '70s

Zakir Hussain and Rahul Sharma
October 23, 7:00 p.m.
\$54.50-\$69.50
Two esteemed and influential musicians

Chris Botti
October 24 & 25, 6:30 PM & 8:30 PM
\$95.50-\$145.50
A Grammy-winning and best-selling trumpeter

Over the Rhine
October 26, 7:30 p.m.
\$44.50-\$49.50
Singer-songwriters and multi-instrumentalists with a vivid, emotionally charged body of work

Rachael Yamagata
October 27, 7:00 p.m.
\$38.50-\$49.50

The Hot Sardines:
October 28 & 29 at 6:30 p.m. & 8:30 p.m.
\$44.50-\$59.50
An early-jazz band making old sounds new again

NOVEMBER:

Habib Koité, Aly Keïta, Lamine Cissokho Mandé Sila
November 1 at 7:30 p.m.
\$50.50-\$55.50
3 standard bearers of West African musical traditions

Cimafunk
November 4 at 7 PM
\$54.50-\$59.50
Innovative mixes of funk, Afrobeat, and hip hop

Jon Cowherd Trio
November 8 at 7:30 p.m.
\$38.50-\$49.50
Three of the most imaginative, sensitive, and wide-ranging artists in modern jazz

T Bone Burnett
November 9 & 10 at 7:30 p.m.
\$59.50-\$69.50
An Oscar- and Grammy-winning musician, composer, and producer celebrating his first album in 20 years.

Sweet Honey in the Rock
November 12 at 6:30 p.m. & 8:30 p.m.
\$54.50-\$64.50
A groundbreaking, Grammy-nominated vocal ensemble celebrates its 50th anniversary

Monty Alexander
November 14 at 7:30 p.m.
\$49.50-\$64.50
A pianist who bridges the worlds of American jazz, popular song, and the music of his native Jamaica

Tom Paxton and the DonJuans
November 19 at 7 PM
\$44.50-\$49.50
A Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award winner and folk icon teams up with a Grammy-winning singer-songwriter duo

Booker T. Jones
November 23 & 24 at 7:30 p.m.
\$49.50-\$64.50
"Jones's name is synonymous with the Hammond B3 organ."—NPR

Mindi Abair's I Can't Wait for Christmas Tour
November 30 at 5:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.
December 1 at 5:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.
\$44.50-\$49.50
A holiday tradition for contemporary jazz lovers

DECEMBER:

An Evening with Livingston Taylor and Loudon Wainwright:
December 2 at 7:00 p.m.
\$64.50-\$74.50
Two musical giants sharing songs and stories



Jimmy Webb
December 7 & 8 at 7:30 p.m.
\$49.50-\$64.50
A master singer-songwriter and composer

Mark O'Connor's An Appalachian Christmas
December 10 at 7 p.m.
\$61.50-\$71.50
Christmas and American repertoire on fiddle, guitar, and mandolin

Marilyn Maye
December 12 at 7:30 p.m.
\$71.50-\$76.50
A Grammy-nominated jazz and cabaret legend

Spanish Harlem Orchestra Salsa Navidad
December 13 at 6:30 p.m. & 8:30 p.m.
\$38.50-\$49.50
A night of holiday fun with a dash of salsa from one of the hottest Latin jazz bands

Irish Christmas in America
December 15 at 5:00 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.
December 16, 7:00 p.m.
\$44.50-\$54.50
Lively instrumental songs and thrilling Irish dancing spreading the enchanting spirit of Christmas

The Klezmatics Happy Joyous Hanukkah
December 21 at 7:30 p.m.
\$44.50-\$54.50
Grammy-winning Jewish klezmer superstars celebrate the Festival of Lights

Dom Flemons
December 23 at 7 p.m.
\$33.50-\$44.50
"The American Songster" creates new sounds from the traditions of old-time folk music.

Jim Brickman Comfort and Joy 2024
December 29, 30, & 31 at 6:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m.
\$49.50-\$69.50
An annual tradition celebrating all things Christmas with original holiday songs and beloved seasonal favorites

All events are subject to change. For more complete concert listings and information, call or visit the Musical Instrument Museum online at mim.org.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Desert Ridge Marketplace



SEPTEMBER

Mid-Autumn Festival with 9 Dragons Kung Fu

Saturday, Sept. 14, 6:30- 8:30 p.m. | The District

As one of the most important holidays in Chinese culture, the Mid-Autmn Festival celebrates the tradition of the Moon Festival which signifies the best time for harvesting. On Sept. 14, Desert Ridge Marketplace will team up with 9 Dragons Kung Fu to host a family-friendly celebration filled with lion and dragon dance performances, Kung Fu demonstrations, cultural performances, free crafts, and more.

OCTOBER

Pumpkin Patch

Oct. 16-Oct. 27 | The District

True autumn vibes will return to The District at the 6th annual Pumpkin Patch. Pick the best pumpkin in the patch (while supplies last), snap an Insta-worthy shot in front of the themed backdrop, enjoy giveaways and more.

Creepy Candy Crawl

Thursday, Oct. 17, 5:30-7:30 p.m. | The District

Calling all ghosts, goblins and ghouls! Spooky season is upon us and this Halloween season, kick off the festivities at Desert Ridge Marketplace's annual Creepy Candy Crawl. Children and families are invited trick or treat from store to store, dress to impress at the annual costume contest and snap a photo in the spooky pumpkin patch. Plus, enjoy live entertainment, dancing, games, giveaways and more.

I Recycle Phoenix

Saturday, Oct. 19, 7:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. | Near Kohl's

Join us for the semi-annual I Recycle Phoenix Festival. Keep Phoenix Beautiful will be accepting a variety of items to be recycled or donated to local nonprofit organizations. Items to recycle, repurpose and donate range from electronics, old magazines, gently used adult bicycles, sporting equipment, office supplies, lightly used household items, toys, and document shredding.

Paul's Car Wash

Oct. 21-Oct. 25, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

For an entire week, Paul Horton, KPHO CBS 5's Chief Meteorologist, will roll up his sleeves and wash hundreds of cars in support of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Arizona. Car washes are available for donation.

Maker's Hive Market

Saturday, Oct. 26, 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

The Maker's Hive Market—an outdoor market full of local artisan vendors—will make its way to The District on Saturday, Oct. 26. Beginning at 11 a.m., guests can stroll, shop and sip through nearly 40 unique and diverse small businesses for a day full of shopping. Discover custom clothing bars, permanent jewelry, hand-crafted candles, and more.

NOVEMBER

Fashion Week 4 Kids

Saturday, Nov. 16, 11:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

The 9th annual Fashion Week 4 Kids returns to Desert Ridge Marketplace. Guests can enjoy a full week of retail events and offerings, culminating with a full day of fashion shows from your favorite brands at The District Stage.

Annual Holiday Tree Lighting

Monday, Nov. 25, 6:00-8:00 pm | The District

The holiday tree lights up for the first time this season on Monday, November 25! Experience the ultimate holiday celebration to kick-off the season. Enjoy free and festive activities, photos with Santa, live entertainment, strolling characters and so much more.

DECEMBER

Free Photos with Santa

Dec 1st and 8th—4pm-6pm,
Dec. 5th—5:30pm-7:30pm | Near AMC Theatre

Capture a magical memory with Santa. Receive a complimentary digital holiday photo taken by a professional photographer that can be texted or emailed directly to you for sharing

12 Days of Snowfall

December 13—December 24,
at 7pm and 8pm | AMC Lawn

Desert Ridge Marketplace is transformed into a winter wonderland with 12 Days of Snowfall from December 13 to December 24! Nightly snowfalls will occur at 7pm and 8pm - enjoy a 10-minute holiday experience with music and magical snow. Plus, it's snowing every hour on the hour on Christmas Eve from 11am - 8pm.

GENERAL

Live music nights will make a return beginning in September. Every Friday and Saturday night enjoy live music at The District Stage, where guests can sing and dance along to local bands and artists, cover bands and more.

FALL TRANSITION: Everything You Need to Know



We Beautify the World

Are you worried about the landscape changes in your HOA's common areas this fall? Don't be! These seasonal changes are completely normal, and here's why you don't need to be concerned:



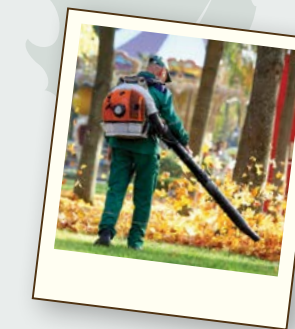
4. MAINTENANCE NEEDS:

We adjust our maintenance practices during the fall transition to coincide with the season. We assure you that we are providing more resources to maintain your common area landscape as they need more attention during the fall months. We are adjusting irrigation and mowing schedules and other pertinent

items to keep your landscape in tip-top shape.

1. INSECT ACTIVITY:

It's important to report any sightings of insect activity, particularly bees, to your Homeowners Association (HOA). Monitoring these occurrences helps maintain the balance of our local ecosystems and ensures the safety and well-being of the community.



2. FALLEN LEAVES:

Fall brings the beauty of changing leaves, but it also means fallen leaves in common areas. These leaves can create a picturesque scene but may also require regular cleanup. Our landscapers work diligently to keep your common areas tidy by raking and removing fallen leaves.



3. WINTER WEEDS:

Fall doesn't just bring the beauty of changing leaves; it also heralds the arrival of winter weeds in common areas. The cooler temperatures and occasional rains create the perfect conditions for these weeds to thrive. Our landscapers are proactive in maintaining your landscape by spraying and manually removing winter weeds to ensure your common areas remain neat and well-kept.



By understanding and appreciating these natural seasonal changes, you can enjoy a vibrant and thriving landscape in your HOA community without worrying about the variations in weeds, and other aspects during this transition.

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GARAGE SECURITY 101

Simple Steps to Deter Crime

Protect your garage with these tips to enhance your home security

The Desert Ridge Community Association has a great relationship with law enforcement. From our Community Action Officer, Jeffery Blair, to the

off-duty City of Phoenix Police patrols we utilize to patrol the residential areas of the community, they keep us informed on the latest crime trends in our area. They recently reported



Steve Burns
Chair
Community Awareness

that garages have become a more common entry point for thieves looking to break into homes.

Garages provide easy access and are often overlooked when it comes to home security. Thieves have developed various techniques to breach garage doors, making them a prime target. Once inside the garage, it is easy to break into the home without any neighbors even realizing what is going on. Understanding how these break-ins occur and taking steps to prevent them can help keep your home and family safe.

Access Through Side Doors

The majority of the homes in Desert Ridge have side doors to the garage. These doors are often less secure or left unlocked. Thieves can force open these doors, especially if they lack deadbolts. Once inside the garage, they can take their time breaking into the rest of the house.

Prevention tip - Ensure that any side doors leading into the garage are as secure as your home's main doors. Be sure your door has a deadbolt and, if not, consider adding a door brace or security bar for extra protection. Regularly check the door frame for signs of wear and reinforce it if necessary.

Garage Door Emergency Release Cord

Another common method thieves use to gain access is the garage door emergency

release cord. This involves using a stiff wire or a coat hanger between the top of the garage door and upper frame to reach in and pull the emergency release cord, which disengages the door from the opener. Once disengaged, the door can be manually lifted, allowing access to the garage.

Prevention tip - Secure the emergency release cord by using a zip tie. This makes it more difficult for thieves to access the release mechanism from outside. Be sure to use a thin enough zip tie to ensure that the cord can still be pulled from inside the garage in case of an emergency.

Leaving the Garage Door Open

The off-duty patrol officers have stated that they often see garage doors left open for extended periods of time. An open garage door can be an invitation for thieves who may use the chance to steal tools, bicycles, or even gain access to the interior of your house.

Prevention tip - Install a garage door timer that automatically closes the door after a set period, reducing the risk of accidentally leaving it open. This is especially useful for homeowners who frequently forget to close the garage door. You can also use a smart garage door opener that will allow you to both monitor and control your garage door remotely via a smartphone app.

Other Easy Steps to Protect Your Home



Why stop at the garage? Fall is a wonderful time to reevaluate the security of your entire home. Here are some reminders on how to protect your home as well as your loved ones.

Invest in a Home Security System

Installing a remote monitored home security system is one of the most effective ways to deter criminals. This includes alarm systems, security cameras, and smart locks. Visible security measures and alarm signage can significantly reduce the likelihood of your home being targeted. The right system can also help protect your home from a fire, and your family from carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning. Not only can an alarm system give you and your loved one's peace of mind, but most insurance companies also give a discount for having a monitored system in your home.

Enhance Outdoor Lighting

Outdoor lighting is a simple, yet effective, deterrent against crime. Criminals do not want to be seen and motion-sensor lights and well-lit entryways make it difficult for criminals to approach your home unnoticed. Consider installing lights around all entry points, including doors, windows, and garage areas.

Secure Doors and Windows

Ensure that all doors and windows are equipped with quality locks. All external doors should have deadbolts while sliding doors and windows should have security bars or pins to prevent them from being forced open. Make sure to maintain these locks to ensure they function properly.

Get to Know Your Neighbors

Building relationships with your neighbors can enhance the security of your community. Neighbors can look out for each other's properties and report suspicious activities. Connecting with, and getting to know, your neighbors not only benefits your immediate surroundings but also brings forth a greater sense of community. Use Caution on Social Media - Avoid publicly sharing information about your whereabouts on social media, especially while on vacation. Posts discussing your absence can make your home a target for burglars. Instead, share your experiences after you return home, and/or change your post privacy settings from "Public" to "Friends."

Secure Your Delivered Packages

To prevent package theft, consider having deliveries sent to a secure location, such as a locker, commercial mailbox rental location, PO Box, or your workplace. You may even consider installing a discretely placed lockbox on your porch for packages.

As a homeowner (or renter), you can significantly reduce your risk of becoming a victim and contribute to the safety of our community by staying informed, getting to know your neighbors, and implementing effective prevention strategies. You may even wish to consider starting a neighborhood block watch program.

If you are interested in learning how to start a neighborhood block watch program, please contact the Desert Ridge Community Association office at 480-551-4553



Community Friendly Reminders & Info!



REPORT ISSUES TO CITY OF PHOENIX

Street Signs:
602-262-4659

Non-Emergency Police:
602-262-6151

With the monsoon season behind us, this is a great time to focus on safety in the community, particularly on the roadways that stretch through Desert Ridge. After the summer storms some road signs have been damaged or blown away completely. While we are working with the city to fix the signs and replace worn out signs, you can always get involved and report missing, damaged, or fading signs to the city as well as to our Standards and Compliance Coordinator.

Street signs aren't the only issue on our roads right now. If your home is being remodeled and you have a construction dumpster or building materials, be sure that they are not encroaching on a street or sidewalk. To report any blockage of a public right of way call the City of Phoenix

non-emergency line. Pursuant to City of Phoenix ordinances these items should not be stored or left in the public right of way. It may seem counterintuitive, but your home's individual garbage containers should be in the street to not impede pedestrian traffic on the sidewalk. In fact, your trash cans, from 6 PM the day before collection until 6 AM the day after collection, should be the only objects left in the street.

Speaking of hazards left in the street, our governing documents prohibit on-street parking for residents as well as prohibiting trailers, boats, RVs, and other large vehicles from parking where visible from neighboring properties. The only on-street parking allowed is for temporary guest parking in the immediate vicinity of the hosts home for up to three days per month.

Our parking restrictions are designed to keep the community safe by keeping the roads clear of potential hazards, to provide visibility for drivers and pedestrians, to ensure that fire code standards are being maintained through the community, to comply with local ordinances, and to keep the community beautiful. In fact, RVs and many other large vehicles are prohibited from parking in residential neighborhoods by City of Phoenix ordinances except for loading and unloading purposes. If you have any questions about the vehicle restrictions for the community or guest parking, please contact the Desert Ridge management team at desertridge.az@fsresidential.com.

This Fall let's continue to keep the community beautiful and safe together!

Did You Know? Front Yard Landscaping Requirements

Front yard landscape within the community must be maintained to the following minimum landscape requirements provided:

QTY	TYPE
1	24 inch box tree (large) or 5 foot or taller Saguaro
15	5 gallon Shrubs
15	1 gallon shrub/groundcover

Or, quantities shall be based on square footage of the landscape area:

QTY	TYPE
1	24 inch box tree (large) or 5 foot or taller Saguaro
1	5 gallon Shrubs
1	1 gallon shrub/groundcover
1	1 gallon shrub/groundcover per 100 square feet

Now that Fall has officially arrived this would be a great time for homeowners to assess their front yard landscape for plant and/or tree replacements and for any landscape extensively damaged and/or loss during the recent 2024 monsoon season. Also, be mindful of the condition of your front yard decomposed granite as well. Decomposed granite usually needs to be replenished every 7-8 years to a minimum depth of 2-inches once it becomes depleted to

bare dirt and/or embedded.

All plant and tree species shall be from the Desert Ridge Residential Area Design Guidelines (DRRADG) Approved Plan List for "Residential Front Yard", as the approved species are each listed by their botanical and common name.

Please be reminded that the Desert Ridge Community Association CC&R's, Article 5.3, Obligation to Obtain Approval, requires all Owners to submit and obtain approval

from the Design Review Committee prior to commencing any work, maintenance, improvements, etc. to the exterior of their lot, unit, or parcel.

A well planted and maintained front yard helps to keep your community beautiful and property values high.

Please contact our management team should you have any questions or if we can be of assistance at: desertridge.az@fsresidential.com.

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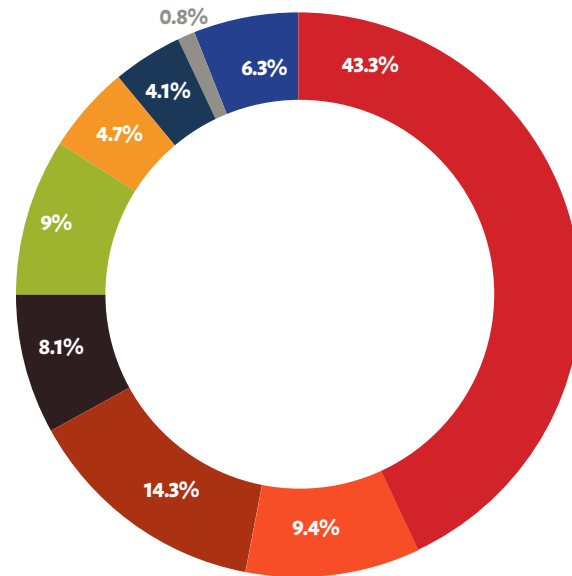
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Your Community Association 2025 Assessment – Working for You

As a member of Desert Ridge Community Association (Master Association), you may be uncertain about what is covered by your master association 2025 annual assessment of \$576.00 (due semi-annually in the amount of \$288.00 on January 1st and July 1st).

The following expense allocations are based on the approved DRCA 2025 Budget illustrating how the Master Association typically applies your annual assessment of \$576.00:



● **Landscape Maintenance**
\$248.60 (43.3%)

For the contracted landscape services related to the common areas streetscape, maintenance services, Irrigation repairs, tree trimming, weed control, etc.

● **Reserve Funding**
\$51.56 (9.0%)

For capital reserves that includes future replacement of capital items in the master association common area for monuments, bollard light fixtures, decomposed granite, Central Irrigation Controller System, walls/fencing, etc.

● **Administration**
\$54.28 (9.4%)

For expenses related to the annual audit, taxes, licenses, insurance, legal services, consulting, postage, statements, reserve study, meetings, bad debt, collection costs and management related expenses & fees.

● **Community Lifestyles**
\$27.12 (4.7%)

For expenses related to Desert Ridge Lifestyles events, programs, socials, sponsorships, outreach, magazine, promotion and advertising, website and activities.

● **On-Site Expenses**
\$82.56 (14.3%)

Contracted staffing costs for the five (5) on-site staff working for the master association and office rent/lease.

● **Community Patrols**
\$24.55 (4.1%)

For common area community Off-Duty Phoenix Police Patrol, overnight parking enforcement and vandalism.

● **Landscape Revenue Share**
\$46.68 (8.1%)

For the landscape maintenance assessments to maintain the common area within Aviano neighborhood that is the maintenance responsibility of the Desert Ridge Community Association.

● **Common Area**
\$4.58 (0.8%)

For common area general maintenance, lighting, misc.

● **Utilities**
\$36.07 (6.30%)

For water, sewer and electric expenses related to the common area streetscape, medians, washes & monuments.

Payment Options for Assessments

ClickPay	ClickPay is an online payment service that allows you to pay your assessments with either an e-check or a major credit card. You may pay your assessments on a one-time occurrence or set up a recurring arrangement (Autopay).	Go to login.clickpay.com/firstservice and click on Register at the top right to create your profile. For assistance or to pay by phone, call ClickPay at 888.354.0135. **PLEASE NOTE: When scheduling your auto-payments, please ensure your payment withdrawal dates are ON or AFTER the 1st of each BILLING CYCLE. Your payment(s) will not post to your account if you do not follow this setup criteria.	AUTOPAY/RECURRING: e-Check(checking/Savings account): FREE Debit Card: \$3.00 for every \$100.00 (maximum fee of \$9.95); Credit Card: 3% of the amount charged. ONE-TIME PAYMENTS VIA WEBSITE: e-Check (checking/savings account): \$3.00 Debit Card: \$3.00 for every \$100.00 (maximum fee of \$9.95) Credit Card: 3% of the amount charged (whichever is greater) ONE-TIME PAYMENTS VIA TELEPHONE: e-Check (checking/savings account): \$3.00 + \$6.95 (phone fee) Debit Card: \$3.00 for every \$100.00 (maximum fee of \$9.95) + \$6.95 (phone fee) Credit Card: 3% of the amount charged (whichever is greater) + \$6.95 (phone fee)
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Mail	ClickPay has a lockbox collection point for FirstService Residentia Arizona: PO Box 30339 Tampa, FL 33630-3339	Nothing Required. Just tear off the remittance portion of the monthly statement and mail.	Stamp
Drop Off	You may drive to any of our four offices during the hours of 8:00am to 5:00pm, Monday - Friday: 9000 E. Pima Center Pkwy, Suite 300 Scottsdale, AZ 85258 161 E. Rivulon Blvd, Suite 105 Gilbert, AZ 85297 7616 N La Cholla Blvd Tucson, AZ 85741	Nothing Required. Just tear off the remittance portion of the statement and drop off. Please make your check payable to your Association. **PLEASE NOTE: Cash, Money Orders, debit or credit cards are not accepted at our locations.	Free

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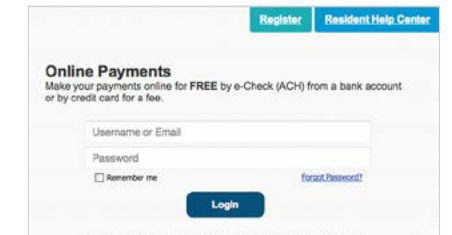
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Step 1

Creating Your Profile

Visit www.ClickPay.com/FirstService, click **Register**, and then create your online profile.

- ❓ **Account Already Exists?**
If you receive a message stating that an account already exists, you have already been pre-registered within ClickPay. Click the link within the activation email sent to you or simply request a password reset link to gain you access to your existing profile.

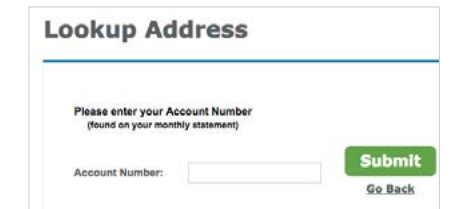


Step 2

Connecting Your Property

Enter the FirstService Residential account number found on your statement or coupon and the Last Name listed on the property agreement.

- ❓ **Last Name Entered Not Working?**
Try the co-owner last name or if a business, the full name of the business associated with your unit.
- ❗ **Direct-Debit Users**
If you're looking to gain access to your existing automatic ACH Direct-Debit profile transition to ClickPay, you will be required to verify your banking details associated with this payment schedule.

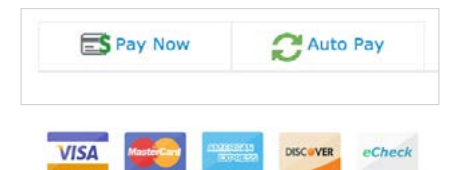


Step 3

Make a One-Time Payment

From the home screen, confirm your payment amount and then click **Continue**.

- ❗ **Adding a Payment Option**
When setting up one-time or automatic payments, you will be required to select a new or existing payment option, including e-check (ACH) for **FREE** or credit and debit card for a nominal fee.

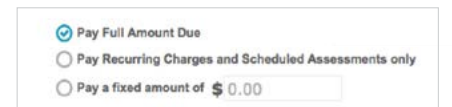


Step 4

Set Up Automatic Payments

From the home screen, click **Auto Pay** and then select your payment option, payment frequency and amount.

- ❓ **Full Amount**
Select this option if you want to pay **ALL** charges on your account automatically including assessment charges, special assessments and one-time fees.
- ❓ **Pay Recurring Charges and Scheduled Assessments Only**
Select this option if you would prefer to only pay **RECURRING** charges automatically, such as assessment fees, parking, storage, etc. Miscellaneous one-time charges, such as one-time special assessments, late fees or work orders, are **NOT** included.
- ❓ **Fixed Amount**
Select this option if you want to pay a **FIXED** amount of the total due. Any amount due above the fixed amount will not be paid automatically and you will need to submit a separate, one-time payment for any overage.
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Desert Ridge Collection Policy

Assessment Frequency SA	January 1 and July 1.
Statement Mailing Semi-Annual	Statements sent USPS 1st Class Mail to billing address for the Owner on file with the Association.
Late Date 15th	
Late Charge \$15.00	
Late Interest N/A	
Late Notice Date 16th	
Late Notice Amount \$30.00	
Pre-legal Demand Letter Date Sent at 45 days	Pre-Legal fees shall be charged to and collected from the delinquent homeowner, *per the "no-cost to the Association" model. Demand is sent 30 days after the Late Notice and account has at least 1 FULL assessment delinquent.
Pre-legal Demand Letter Amount \$135.00	Pre-Legal fees shall be charged to and collected from the delinquent homeowner.
Pre-legal Final Demand Letter Date Sent at 60 days	Final Demand sent both Standard USPS Mailing and Certified Mail with a review of the account to verify 1 FULL assessment is still delinquent. Final Demand sent via USPS 1st Class Mail to the unit address along with standard delivery to the billing address that the Association has on file for the Owner (if the billing address is different than the unit address).
Pre-legal Final Demand Letter Amount \$225.00	Fee includes any/all postage and handling
Lien Date Prepared at 75-80 Days	Lien is sent to the Desert Ridge Collection Attorney for review/signature and then is recorded by FSR in order for FSR to record the lien in Maricopa County.
Lien Amount \$350.00	This includes the recording of lien and the release of lien when delinquency has been cured.
Collection Date 30 days from Final Demand	Once lien is recorded, account will be transferred to the Association's collection Attorney.
Fee for Transfer to Collection Attorney \$95.00	Transfer to Maxwell & Morgan, P.C., who will proceed with collection activity which could include sending demand letters and proceeding with legal action at attorneys' rates.

NOTE: Owners are responsible for payments of all amounts including, without limitation, assessments, late charges, collection cost, attorney's fees and court costs, regardless of whether the Owner has received a statement or any of the letters, notices or liens referenced in this collection policy. The failure of the Association to send a bill, letter or lien to the Owner shall not relieve the Owner of the obligation to pay for all assessments, late charges, collection costs, attorneys' fees and court cost.

Amended & Adopted: September 25, 2024.

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Desert Ridge Community Association News

Get involved in your community

We will be electing two (2) board members in April 2025

Serving on the Board of Directors is a great way to make an impact in your community!

Timelines to Remember

Late-January 2025

The DRCA board candidate interest form will be included with your January 1, 2025 assessment statement notice and will also be sent via eblast on January 24th.

Mid-February 2025

Board Candidate forms are due back to the Community Association by Friday, February 7th at 5:00 PM.

Meet & Greet the Board Candidates at 11:00 AM, Sunday, February 16th at the High Street Farmers Market Desert Ridge Community Association booth.

Meet & Greet the Board Candidates at the 6:00 PM, Wednesday, February 26th DRCA Board of Directors Meeting.

Mid-March 2025

Meet & Greet the Board Candidates at 11:00 AM, Sunday, March 9th at the High Street Farmers Market Desert Ridge Community Association booth.

Electronic (e-Voting) election and ballot information for electing the candidates to the Board of Directors will be sent to all members on Friday, March 14th.

April 17, 2025

DRCA Annual Meeting of Members and announcement of election results.

More information will be sent during the approaching months. Please stay connected to the Desert Ridge Lifestyles community magazine, desertridgelifestyles.org website and community eblasts and mailings.

If you think you may be interested in serving and would like to speak with a current board member, please email desertridge.az@fsresidential.com.

Meet Your New Standards & Compliance Team Member

Veronica Carlton joins the DRCA management team with four years of previous onsite community association experience in North Phoenix.

Veronica enjoys spending time with her grandson, three children,

and her dog. She is an avid swimmer and enjoys swimming laps before work, with backstrokes being her favorite aquatic specialty.

Veronica also enjoys reading psychological thrillers, with the "Housemaid" series being her current read. She likes watching cooking shows such as Beat Bobby Flay and experimenting with new recipes, such as healthy banana muffins and spicy tofu stir-fry.

Veronica is looking forward to her role and responsibilities with the management team to assist the team with meeting the high standards of keeping the community beautiful and property values high.

Please join with us in welcoming Veronica to the community!



Veronica Carlton
Standards & Compliance Coordinator
Desert Ridge Community Association



Pinnacle High Celebrates 25 Years with Record Homecoming, Top Rankings

Written by Hayden Kochanski, Mark Michelson, Reece Scricco and Chelsea Vincent

As one of the top-performing schools in Phoenix, Pinnacle High School (PHS) has come a long way since its opening at the beginning of the new century.

When it opened in the 2000-2001 school year, students and staff spent two days together in an on-campus retreat, planting the seeds of school culture that became the foundation of a school that excels in all areas today.

“The school was first designed to create a positive environment and provide excellent educational facilities and resources,” said principal Dr. Chad Smith.

With only one road leading in and out of the school from Tatum when it opened, the area was nearly barren except for PHS and the homes in Desert Ridge. Along with the growth over the years, Pinnacle developed a reputation for creating a supportive and challenging learning environment that students thrive in. Several alumni even returned after graduation to join the staff.

An original Pioneer, English teacher Charlie Zeeb witnessed this incredible growth, first as

a student and later as a teacher.

“The academic rigor has grown and has surpassed [expectations],” Zeeb said.

Now beginning its 25th year, PHS sits at the center of a thriving community that grew up around it, excelling to meet the high expectations and hopes of that community.

“Through our academic reputation, it has attracted a lot of kids. 2500 this year, including the largest homecoming in the state,” said Smith.

In 2023, PHS Student Government (Stugo) hosted over 2,000 students at the Homecoming dance, which featured a full-size ferris wheel among other attractions and was deemed the largest homecoming event in the state. This year, Stugo hopes to exceed that.

“The dance will definitely have a wow factor,” Stugo Adviser Kristi Sage said. But students must wait for the big reveal to learn more about the Homecoming event in November. “It’s top secret.”

From award-winning CTE, visual arts and performing arts programs, to championship sports teams, to some of the highest academic

rankings in the state, PHS rises to the top of Arizona high schools. In fact, with a 97% graduation rate and over 100 points earned on the School Letter Grade report, PHS ranks in the top 5% of all Arizona schools. Additionally, high test scores that far exceed state and global average scores on the 1100+ AP exams PHS students take each year as well as high scores on the ACT and district assessments keep PHS at the top.

“These performances significantly help PHS show how hard [students and teachers] truly are working throughout the school year,” said assistant principal Katie Pena. “Along with awards, the school cares about how well their students do.... Our best achievement is probably continuing to show growth.”

After a quarter century, PHS proves itself time and again as a community center that offers nearly unlimited opportunities for students to grow and thrive. New Pioneers are always welcome and can contact the school for a campus tour to learn even more about what Pinnacle has to offer.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Desert Ridge Community Association is looking for dedicated individuals to join us in our mission to make a positive impact in our community.

If you have a passion for being involved in the community and make a meaningful difference in your community, we want to hear from you!

For more information, please call desertridge.az@fsresidential.com



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Tips for Relaxed Holiday Air Travel



Steve Burns
Chair
Community Awareness



The holiday season is the busiest travel time of the year. With over 120 million people expected to travel before the year ends, holiday travel can be stressful. Large airport crowds, high demand for flights and accommodations, and unpredictable cancellations often add up to a lot of stress. To make your holiday travel as smooth as possible, here are some essential tips and tricks from travel experts to help you navigate the busiest travel time of the year.

Plan and Book Early

The earlier you start planning, the better your chances of getting the best deals on flights, hotels, and rental cars. History has shown that flight prices rise considerably as the holiday season approaches. Booking at least one or two months ahead of time can help you avoid those higher prices and limited seat availability.

Booking hotels early helps ensure that you get your desired room, or bed type. Popular destinations often fill up quickly during the holidays, so if you have your eyes on a specific hotel or vacation rental, locking it in early gives you peace of mind.

Be Flexible with Travel Dates

Holiday travel generally peaks just before and after Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's. By avoiding peak travel days, you can often save both time and money. For shorter flights, most experts say you will save the most by traveling on the holiday itself, still giving you time with friends and family.

You Might also consider flying mid-week, when prices tend to be lower, and plan for off-peak hours such as very early morning or late-night flights. This can help you to avoid longer lines at security and give you a better chance of finding a flight that isn't completely full. If your schedule and budget allow, consider taking a slightly longer trip that includes the less-crowded shoulder days before and after the holidays.

Pack Smartly

Efficient packing can make all the difference, especially if you're traveling with gifts or bulky winter clothing. Use packing cubes or compression bags to maximize space in your suitcase. If you're bringing gifts, consider shipping them ahead to avoid extra baggage fees and the hassle of carrying them through the airport. If you do pack gifts, it's best to leave them unwrapped, as TSA may need to inspect them.

Make sure your liquids and electronics are packed in easy-to-access locations, so you can quickly remove them if needed. Also, review TSA guidelines to ensure your carry-on items comply with current regulations, reducing the likelihood of delays or confiscated items.

Moreover, if you're heading to a cold-weather destination, wear some bulky clothing items on the plane, such as boots and a winter coat, to free up space in your luggage. Once onboard, a coat can go on top of carry-on bags in the overhead bin without counting as a carry-on item.

When packing your carry-on, keep essentials like medication, chargers, travel documents, and a change of clothes in your carry-on in

case your checked baggage is delayed. Your carry-on should also contain snacks and a portable charger to keep you comfortable in case of unexpected delays at the airport.

Be Ready for Weather-Related Disruptions

Winter weather can throw a wrench in a carefully planned holiday trip. Even when traveling from Arizona, snowstorms, ice, and fog from inbound flights can lead to flight delays or cancellations. Stay informed about weather forecasts for both your departure and arrival destinations. Many airlines and hotels have their own apps that allow you to check in, access boarding passes, and provide updates on potential delays or gate changes. Most of these apps also allow you to communicate with customer service representatives if needed.

Keep a Positive Mindset

Finally, a successful holiday trip often comes down to maintaining the right mindset. Crowded airports, long security lines, and busy roadways are par for the course during the holiday season. Realize that there are circumstances beyond your control and try to remain calm during potential disruptions.

Holiday travel can be challenging, but careful planning and preparation can alleviate many of the typical stressors. By booking early, packing efficiently, staying informed, and leveraging technology, you can enjoy a smoother travel experience. Safe travels and have a happy holiday season!

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DAY	PORT	FEATURE
1	Basel	Embark
2	Basel	Explore the city's Christmas Market and Christmas Street, lined with more than 100 beautifully decorated trees.
3	Strasbourg	See this historic town with its cobbled lanes, half-timbered homes, giant stork nests, and impossible to resist pastry shops.
4	Baden-Baden	Venture into the storied city, whose contemporary flair meshes with hot springs, spas, and unspoiled nature.
5	Mainz/Rüdesheim	Mainz's Old Town brims with specialty shops tucked into lovingly restored buildings. Rüdesheim is famous for its beauty and its entertaining alley of shops and wine bars.
6	Cruise/Koblenz	Spend a spectacular morning sailing the picturesque Upper Middle Rhine Valley with quaint villages and perched castles atop steep cliffs. Tour Koblenz's historical treasures.
7	Cologne	Witness the festive Cologne Christmas Market held just outside the famous Cologne Cathedral housing the Shrine of the Magi.
8	Cologne	Disembark

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1

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2

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3

Set out bulk trash up to 7 days before appointment

DON'T INCLUDE:

- ❌ More than 10 cubic yards. The pile must be smaller than 17'L X 4'W X 4'H in size.
- ❌ Loose grass, leaves, weeds, twigs and hedge clippings.
- ❌ Household hazardous waste (HHW), such as antifreeze, pool chemicals, oil, batteries and paint.
- ❌ Tires, any shape or size.
- ❌ Appliances that use refrigerants.

TIPS:

- ✅ Place piles curbside close to the edge of your property.
- ✅ Place 5 feet away from fixed objects.
- ✅ Cut tree trimmings down to less than 12" in diameter and 4' in length.



***Do not place piles on top of water meters.**
***Do not place piles in the alley.**

For a complete list of Dos and Don'ts, visit phoenix.gov/publicworks/bulktrash



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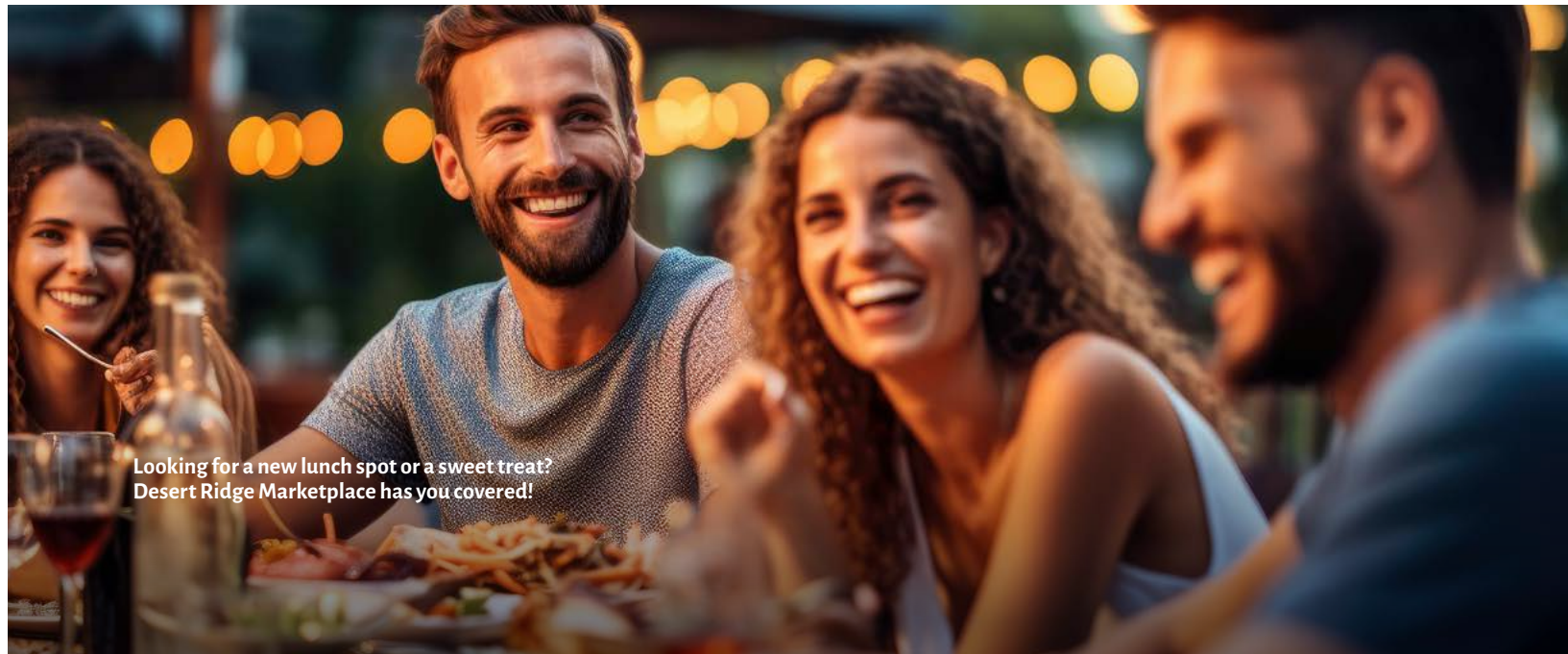
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Meetings & Events

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Parking Garage on 54th Street

Cashman Park
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5:30 a.m.–11:00 p.m. • Daily • 602.262.6696

Pinnacle Park (Dog Park)
20900 N. Black Mountain Blvd.
Phoenix, AZ 85050
5:30 a.m.–11:00 p.m. • Daily • 602.262.6696

**Meetings and events dates are subject to change. Association members and/or member representatives only.*

MEETINGS & EVENTS

Design Review Committee Meeting

Via Zoom Teleconference
Tuesday, October 22
Tuesday, November 12
Tuesday, December 10
4:00 p.m.

Finance Committee Meeting

Via Zoom Teleconference
Tuesday, October 22
Tuesday, November 26
No December Meeting – Holiday Recess
9:00 a.m.

DRCA Board of Directors

Cambria Hotel & Suites
Wednesday, October 23
No November or December Meetings – Holiday Recess
6:00 p.m.

Communications Committee

Via Zoom Teleconference
Thursday, October 17
Thursday, November 14
Thursday, December 19
5:30 p.m.

Lifestyles Committee

Via Zoom Teleconference
Monday, October 21
Monday, November 18
Monday, December 16
5:00 p.m.

DRCA Office Holiday Closures

Thanksgiving Day
Thursday, November 28 & Friday, November 29

Christmas Day

Tuesday, December 24 & Wednesday, December 25

New Year's Eve

Tuesday, December 31

Farmers Market on High Street

Every Sunday from October 6 – April 27
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Falooza Festival on High Street

Truck or Treat / Movie in the Park
Monsters University & Ghostbusters
Saturday, October 19
5:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Mega Community Wide Yard Sale

Saturday, November 2
7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Shred-A-Thon

Saturday, November 2
1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Annual Veterans Day Appreciation Breakfast

Monday, November 11
8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
Mimi's Café

Coffee Club Meeting

Tuesday, December 10
Cambria Hotel & Suites

Annual Holiday Lighting and Decorating Contest

November 29 to December 13
Community-Wide

Snow Blast

Reach 11 Sports Complex
Friday, December 20
5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Meetings dates/times are subject to change. Please check desertridgelifestyles.com calendar to confirm scheduled dates/times for the meeting listed above.

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4425 E. Irma Ln.,
Phoenix, AZ 85050

Holiday Inn Express & Suites
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Nominating Committee
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Vestar Branch.....480.585.0170

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Weekends, holidays, after 5 pm.....602.261.8000
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Non–Emergency Crime Stop.....602.262.6151
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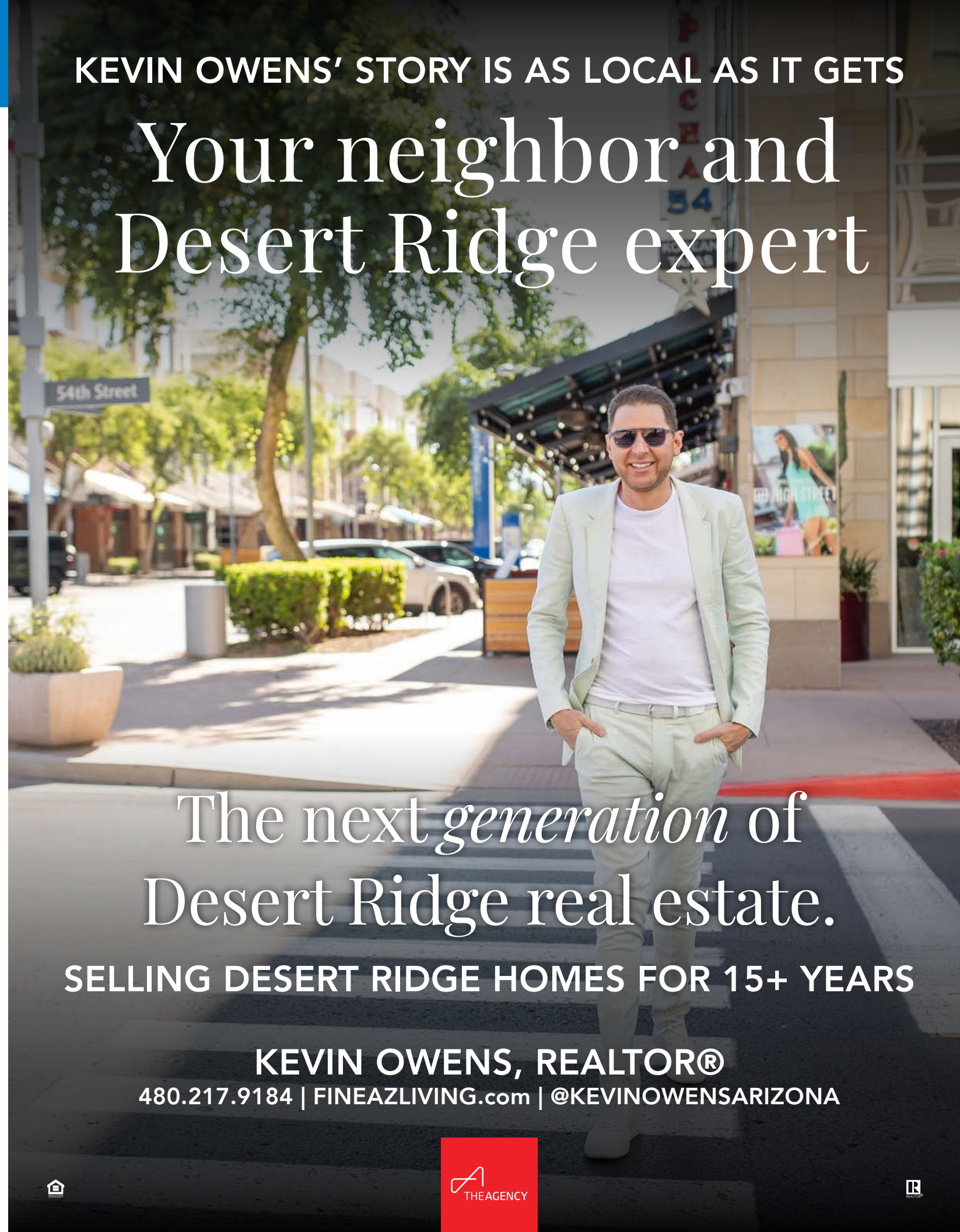
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