

# Sundance 1 RV Resort

Smoke Signal

*APRIL 2023* 



Manager's Notes -

**April Managers Notes:** 

Farewell friends

It's hard to believe that this is the last Smoke Signal of the season. We hope that everyone has enjoyed their stay. We are wishing safe travels and a wonderful summer for all of our winter visitors. Reminder to all Annuals – Please be sure to leave the name of your summer caretaker along with your mailing labels and let the office know your departure date.

We want to give a BIG shout out to all of our employees and volunteers for their hard work. It is definitely a TEAM effort and we all work hard to make your stay here as pleasant as possible. We have faced many new challenges and growing pains this past year and we are grateful to everyone who has stepped up and helped make this an amazing season. Glenda and her team are already planning many fun activities for next season. Let us know if you have any suggestions....we would love to hear from you.

Happy Trails,

Derek and Shelley Peck

# Office hours

Main Office M – F 9 am - 3 PM

SUMMER HOURS STARTING 4/17/23 9 am – 12 PM Activity Office M - W - Th - F 8:30 - 4 PM Tu - 9 am - 4 PMSa - 10 am - 2 PM

Closed APRIL 16<sup>th</sup> until October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Mail Room M – F -- 9 am 2:00 PM Sa 10:30 am – 12:30 PM

SUMMER HOURS STARTING 4/17/23 11 am – 1 PM M - F

Please check out with the MAIN OFFICE before departing for the season, notify us of summer care takers, leave a resident key if necessary, turn in mail keys, mail forwarding labels, gate remotes, pay any balances due.



- Easter Sunday April 9th. An Easter Brunch is planned for April 9th, at 2 PM in the HOLE IN THE WALL. Ham provided by the McGavins, bring your own place set, a dish to serve 8 at your table and your own beverage.
- Trust and More April 11th 9:15 am in the Hang out Room
- Massage By Mandy April 13<sup>th</sup> at the Ranch House sign up available next week in Activities.
- Entertainment by George April 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> at Pool 1 from 4 6 PM
- Tag-Along to Hale Theater April 7<sup>th</sup> "Unsinkable Molly Brown" show starts at 4 PM

Activities has started working on events and room schedules for the 2023/24 season, bands are being booked, Tag Alongs are being considered, and room reservations are being scheduled. With the new season will also come changes.

- Bands/dances and Tag Alongs, with few exceptions have been very poorly attended this year and as a result will be fewer next year, those booked may be canceled up to 20 days in advance of scheduled date if minimum tickets have not sold.
- Room Reservations for social events will require a refundable \$50 cleaning deposit. (For those already booked, a deposit will be required 30 days prior to event date. New reservations will require a deposit at time of reservation.)
- The Ranch House will require a room reservation for events exceeding 10 people. The Ranch House is to be reserved for group meetings, celebratory gatherings and social events; otherwise, it is open space for all residents to enjoy.
- Repeat of the same activity will be limited to two times per week. If a room is not being used, Residents can feel free to use that room at their leisure. This includes the Hole in the Wall. Anticipated minimum participation of 8 players/participants required October 15 thru end of March to reserve room (some exceptions may apply).

As much as many around us feel the park is "obligated to provide" our entertainment, and a variety of activities and space, we find that it is just not possible to meet the many different needs of our expanding community and provide everything we wish for. In addition, as the residents depart for their summer homes, park staff and amenities offered become more limited.

As many have already noticed all around you prices have increased from fuel, food, rent, utilities, etc. The park has not been exempt from increased costs, and as the facilities age, more maintenance and upkeep is also being required as we see ongoing repairs all around us. We have been fortunate that management has been able to provide the needed spaces and supports all the wonderful activities we enjoy, however none of them come without increased costs and limitations that have and will affect us as we continue to grow. Our hope is that everyone will take these factors into consideration when considering the "wants" versus "needs" of our growing community.

If you have a special occasion and need to reserve a room for next season, please let Activities office know.



 Dances and Entertinment included Girls Night Out, Elvis and Marcia, Super Bowl Sunday, Dessert Theater, Classic Jukebox, Last Train to Juarez, Hands Across the order, Gospel Music Fest, Souper Sunday and the Arizona Wildflowers, or the Campbell's Band, music by the Jammers, Rock & Roll Show, Trio Plus, Entertainment by George, Vintage Gold,

- HeartBeat, Jerry & Judy, Folk & Square Dance, Christmas Variety Show, Casino Night the Quilt Show and Western Days.
- The opportunity to donate blood at the Vitalent Blood Drive, a Massage w/Mandy, or attending your state potluck. Shopping at the Country Store, or buying a new outfit from Image Fashions, Jewelry and Mexican Art sales,
- One of many Tag Alongs to The Goat Farm, Caywood Farms, Dwarf Car Museum, Barleens, Hale Theater, Organ Stop Pizza, Shamrock Farms, Windmill Winery, or Queen Creek Olive Mill.
- Seminars and presentations by SkyMed, Trusts and More, PMMH insurance, MASA Insurance, SEMPERFI heating & Cooling, AARP, Hospice, Neighborhood Watch. Had your tire pressure checked or Air Conditioning inspected.
- Perhaps you wanted to learn how to protect yourself in Senior Self Defense class or AED/CPR Class, learn how to Wood Carve, take a painting class, learn how to do mandala dot painting or make your own cards in card making class, weaving, wood burning or gourd carving, make a necklace in lapidary, learn how to Dance, play a game of poker, cribbage, Mah Jongg, Hand Foot and Toe, Pegs and Jokers, Samba, Bridge and Pinochle or play ping pong, billiards, darts, pickleball, shuffleboard, race an RC car...and more then you can imagine?



out on the many opportunities next season, stay informed..

Check out the **NEWSBLAST which will be** published ON Wednesday and Fridays starting again on October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 @ <a href="https://sundancelrv.com/news-events">https://sundancelrv.com/news-events</a>

OR follow us on the Facebook **Group:** <u>SUNDANCE1 RV RESORT of CASA GRANDE - ACTIVITY NEWS</u> Join the group chat for Buy/sell and General group questions.



We encourage you to attend the **TUESDAY PARK ROUND-UP MEETINGS** @ **8:30** am in the Hole in The Wall, (come early for coffee and donuts) for up-to-date news and events or check with the Activities office or room coordinators for the most current room schedules.

**Volunteers - Volunteers - Volunteers -** Do you have a **talent or passion about something that you would love to share**? We are always looking for fresh ideas, Volunteers, and Room Monitors please consider all the options to participate next season.

### Important Phone Numbers

- Call CGPD for suspicious activity 520.421.8700, #7 will put you through directly to police dispatch. Use 911 is for medical and fire emergencies.
- Sundance Main Office 520-426-9662 (Non-business hour calls will transfer to Answering Service and forward appropriately to Park Manager.)
- APS (Arizona Public Service) 1-800-240-2014
- City of Casa Grande 520-421-8600
- Aire Beam 520-510-0909
- Your grown children & grandchildren 1-800-Call-Mom1

#### While using the pools please remember...

- Cover-ups are required for both women and men when you are outside of the fenced pool areas.
- Make sure you towel off before leaving the pool so your drips don't create a fall hazard.
- Don't enter any room or building with wet swim attire, yes, someone has done that 🙁
- Remember that pool shoes are fine in the pool, but shouldn't be worn as street shoes. By wearing pool shoes to and from the pools, the debris that is on the bottom of the shoes will end up in our sparkling pools and could possibly damage the filtering equipment.
- Shower and rinse off body oils and soap residue before entering the pool both pools have outdoor showers, (Not to be used for personal hygiene yes, we've seen that too!)
- Bathing attire needs to be thoroughly rinsed well after being washed as soap will collect in the fabric and will end up in the pool and especially in the hot tubs. (HMMM didn't know this....) This in turn requires additional maintenance to the hot tub.
- No glass containers in or around the fenced area of patio, pool deck or hot tub.

#### Attention Everyone

The Park is a fragrance free Park. What are you allergic to? If nothing congratulations! However, if you have allergies you know how bad they can make you feel! As we all get older our sense of smell is greatly affected especially by things that we all used to love. Remember how romantic aftershave on your man or perfume on your lady made you feel? WELL not anymore. Many of us in the park get headaches (yes actual ones) or WORSE from the chemicals in the perfumes, lotions, soaps, etc. We also are affected by any fragrances, even

from flowers! Please, if coming to any public room, do not use scented lotions, aftershave, perfumes etc. as you never know when you'll be asked to kindly wash it off. We love you but your fragrant smell is killing us! Remember if you have used it for a long time, you can't smell it on yourself but others can smell you as soon as you arrive and long after you are gone!

If you are out and about the park at night, please make sure that your golf cart and bicycles are properly lit. Walkers, please carry a flashlight so you can be seen in the dark.

ABIDE BY THE PARK SPEED LIMIT

IT APPLIES TO ALL VEHICLES,
BIKES, SCOOTERS, and GOLF CARTS---



Slow down enjoy life, and let the good times roll.

#### Are you wearing your name badge?

\*\*It helps us identify you in the event of a medical emergency due to fall or injury. (Not many of us walk around with our ID in the park) *Speaking of emergency contacts...be sure you update your emergency info with the Main office?* \*\* For security reasons, it helps us identify our Sundance Residents, \*\* Your badge is required to participate in any of our activities/activity rooms, (I'm afraid you won't be able to attend the dances, play bingo, enjoy ceramics, lapidary, stained glass, the sewing room or the computer room without it, what about the art barn, gourds, exercise rooms and billiards?) Oh my! \*\*

AND, I don't know about you but I can't remember everyone's name to save my soul, it sure makes a more pleasant conversation if we don't have to ask your name AGAIN for the 1000<sup>th</sup> time since we met. Please wear a name tag.

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We know you like to share some of your treasures by leaving them outside of the dumpsters for others to rescue. PLEASE do not leave items outside the dumpsters, dumpsters are for HOUSEHOLD TRASH ONLY. If something is in good condition and you don't want to toss it out please take it to the MASH unit, St. Vincent DePaul, Goodwill, or one of many other second hand stores io the area! Large items can be taken

to the Landfill. You need to take your electric bill to prove residency. A fee may be charged depending on the item.

Recycling is encouraged and we hope you take advantage of our recycle bins.

Join the RECYCLING CHALLENGE! If the Sundance communities can collect 500 pounds of plastic film in a six-month period, the park will be awarded a lovely bench. Collection boxes are located beside the ice machines in both SD 1 and SD 2 and at SD 2 Site 52. You'll be surprised by the wide variety of materials that are accepted for recycling.





#### **PET POLICY**

#### Yes...we have one

Pets must be on an 8' leash when outdoors at all times. The only off leash area are the dog parks. Pet must be attended at all times while outside. The City of Casa Grande also has a leash policy for pets, so ensure pets are on leash when walking outside the gates of the park.

Pets are only allowed on your own site, a site with occupant's approval, in the pet run area or on the black top portion of the roads inside the park. When walking within the park, stay to the pavement, keeping your pet off the sidewalks.

Pets are only allowed to relieve themselves on the pet owners designated site, the dog runs or the designated Pet Relief Areas around the retention ponds located throughout Sundance 1. Pets are not allowed inside the retention ponds. In respect to your fellow park residents, we ask you keep your pets to these designated "relief" areas and away from other residents' lots, empty sites and park easements. Pet owners must pick up after their pets at all times.

Pets, with the exception of service dogs, are not allowed in any of the park buildings, sport recreation areas or pool areas.

### INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT THE USA.

More people live in New York City than in 40 of the 50 states.

The word "Pennsylvania" is misspelled on the Liberty Bell.

There is enough water in Lake Superior to cover all of North and South America in one foot of liquid.

There's a town in Washington with treetop bridges made specifically to help squirrels cross the street

The team and staff of the 2022-23 season would like to wish everyone a safe and wonderful summer. For those of you traveling we wish you safe travels and exciting adventures



#### NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM

As our Seasonals begin to return to their homes or travel we would like to let you know that our Neighborhood Watch Captains and Coordinators will be here in the Resort to keep a "Watch" on things. Some basic reminders that you probably heard before are:

- Turn off your water supply.
- If you turn off your electricity you might want to add a timed interior light powered by an external solar panel that may deter an unwanted visitor.
- Try to keep your site looking like there are people around adding solar powered security lights might be a suggestion if you have not done so.
- Let your Neighborhood Watch Captains or full-time friends know when you are leaving and an approximate date you will return.
- Please update your contact information at the office should a reason to contact you arise.
- Lock all vehicles, golf carts, sheds, windows and homes.

If you do not have a person watching your site ie: spraying weeds and general security, consider hiring one if there is not a friend available. We hope you have a safe trip wherever you are headed and a Great Summer. We'll be here for you.

Your Neighborhood Watch Team - Robert Luhrs, <a href="mailto:reluhrs@ptd.net">reluhrs@ptd.net</a>, 610-417-4056

# If you **see** something, **say** something

#### Recognizing the Signs

The citizens of Casa Grande are the eyes and ears of the city. They can see and hear things beyond the scope of the police department. When people become radicalized and violent, their behaviors and activities change. They may start feeling depressed and angry. Instead of focusing on education, work, or health, their lives begin to focus only on radical ideals. They may alienate themselves from others and display a change in habits and hobbies. These changes should be a red flag for suspicious behavior.

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Other suspicious behaviors that could be reported include threatening to commit a crime, someone taking a prolonged interest in a building's security features, stealing, testing or probing security, attempting to enter a restricted area, and questioning personnel about an event or security beyond mere curiosity.

When reporting suspicious activity, remember that factors such as race, ethnicity, gender, national origin, religion, sexual orientation, or gender identity alone are civil rights and are not suspicious.

#### How to report

When reporting suspicious activity, be sure to include the 5 Ws: who you saw, what you saw, when you saw it, where it happened, and why you think it's suspicious.

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**SENIOR STRETCH** -- Do you want to be in better shape? If you do, why not join us Monday, Wednesday, Friday at 10:30 in the Hole in the Wall. The workout is mostly chair exercise and we have a number of ladies and gentlemen who enjoy it and come faithfully. Senior Stretch is a fun and healthy workout! We'll be stretching through April 14<sup>th</sup>.

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**SEWING AND QUILTING -** The sewing room had a great year filled with many activities. Since the last article, we have had our annual quilt show and a "Charity Sew Day". We thank everyone for coming to the quilt show. We hope you enjoyed the quilt show and are planning to attend again next year. On our "Charity Sew Day", we pieced together several quilt tops. There are bundles made up of the quilt top, batting, backing, and binding. We will work on those during the summer and be ready to donate them next season.

We elected new officers for next season. They are Jennifer Lempke, Chair; Terry Benson, Vice-Chair; Maureen Stanley, Treasurer; and Lyn Cosh, Secretary. Donna Harrison will remain as the chair for the quilt show, and Marilyn Wise and Sassy Skinner will continue to organize classes. They already have several classes lined up. Next Fall, be sure to check the list of classes and sign up for the ones that interest you.

As the season winds down, and our monitors leave, the hours of the sewing room will vary. If there is a monitor available, the room will be open. The last day it will be open is Friday, April 14th. If you have stored anything in the room, please remove it by then.

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**SHUFFLEBOARD** -- Its been another great season with many new players learning the game and having a great time.

We look forward to next season as how we can expand the opportunities for shuffleboard players. The shuffleboards are in great condition we invite anyone to come out and enjoy the fun and great time we have. Scheduled play is Monday - Tuesday - Wednesday & Friday at 9:30 with Tuesday being bowling pin shuffle. Mon. Wed. & Fri. is regular shuffleboard you play for yourself. Tuesday bowling pin shuffle is a team event with all the yellow against all the black this is really a fun time, lots of cheering and encouraging your team. The cost .50 per person to play it's on your honor put money in jar in shed. There is room for 40 people to play we do fill up at times so the first 40 to come get to play.

We encourage anyone wanting to learn the game ask we will teach you, come out any day at scheduled time, we will instruct. Also on Tuesday and Thursday at 12:00 is a time to come out and be instructed on how to play the game. Any suggestions for the shuffleboard program are welcome. There is a lot of work required to prep the boards for play each day and the clean up needed after play each day. A big Thank you to those prepping the boards for play each day and cleaning up after play each day. The season is not over we will continue to play into April. Joe & Carolyn Hess #611

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**STAINED GLASS** -- The end of the season has arrived and we greet it with a mixture of sadness for the end of a great season but happily anticipating summer travels. We hope that all of you have a safe, memory filled summer and return in the fall ready to create some totally awesome projects! We will close for the season when monitors are no longer available with our target last day being April 13. We will post our hours on the door as we know them.

Steering Committee: Cindel Nielsen, Harriett Reed, Jim McBride





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**TOWN COUNCIL** -- The Sundance1 Town Council acts as a liaison between residents and park management. It is composed of seven members, each elected to a two-year term. Fill out a comment form located in the Activities Office with your concerns, suggestions and accolades for those around you. The members will take those to their monthly meeting with park management where they discuss ways to make the park a better place for all. **Town Council minutes** are available for all to read in the Activities Office.

#### 2023-24 Council Members















Alan Wallbank

Carol Berg

Terry Johnson

Marcus Pederson

Jim Burrell

Kathy Carpenter

Kathy Runger

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Do you want to highlight your activity for the 2023/24 season. Let Activities know, we can post it in the News Blast on Wednesday/Fridays starting in October, the Monthly Smoke Signal, or you can post it yourself on FB @ SUNDANCE1 RV RESORT of CASA GRANDE - ACTIVITY NEWS The deadline for the NOVEMBER 2023 Smoke Signal will be Monday October 25th 2023. All guests, Coordinators, and Groups are encouraged to submit news to the Activity office or email @ sundance1activities@hotmail.com

# **INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT THE USA. (cont.)**

In 1872, Russia sold Alaska to the Unites States for about 2 cents per acre.

It would take you more than 400 years to spend a night in all of Las Vegas's hotel rooms.

Kansas produces enough wheat each year to feed everyone in the world for about two weeks.

Oregon's Crater Lake is deep enough to cover six Statues of Liberty stacked on top of each other

The Empire State building has its own zip code.

The Los Angeles Coroner's Office has its own quirky gift shop called Skeletons in the Closet.



Western Michigan is home to a giant lavender labyrinth so big you can see it on Google Earth.

There's an island full of wild monkeys off the coast of South Carolina called Morgan Island, and it's not open to humans.

There's enough concrete in the Hoover Dam to build a two-lane highway from San Francisco to New York City.

Arizona and Hawaii are now the only states that don't observe daylight savings time.

Boston has the worst drivers out of the nation's 200 largest cities. Kansas City has the best drivers.



If you recognize an item as yours you may retrieve it from Activities until April 15th.



# Suggestions to SUMMERIZE YOUR HOME

# **TURN OFF WATER**

- 1. Drain pipes if possible
- 2. Shut off ALL faucets
- 3. DO NOT close or plug drains!
- Pour a cup of antifreeze down every drain
- Shut off water behind washing machine
- 6. Shut off water behind refrigerator
- 7. Shut of water to toilet and sinks
- Verify/Install a shut off valve to every water source in the home

# **HIRE A CARETAKER**

- 1. Check the home once a month
- With flashlight look under sinks, around toilets and hot water tank for signs of water
- Check the home within 24 hrs after storms

\*Before leaving for the summer get the names and numbers of 2 licensed and bonded contractors.

\*Make sure your Caretaker has your insurance agent's phone number.

# Do you Know..



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## Find out why!!!!

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- 2. Avoid the costs and delays of probate.
- Why many people with Revocable Living Trust end up in probate
- 4. Have the recent changes in the HIPAA law made for Powers of Attorney obsolete?
- Do your documents work in all 50 states? (Wills, Trusts & Powers of Attorney)

## You are cordially invited...

to a FREE informational Elder Law Seminar! No. costs, no obligation... WE PROMISE!



#### Sundance RV Resort

April 11, 2023 9:15-11:15 ( Hang Out Room )

Mark your Apt. book for Tues. April 11,2023

Reservations **Sign up Sheet in Office** Or 800-615-4531

Drawing for a Free Visa Gift Card at Seminar



### Free Coffee & Goodies

This informational meeting will cover Revocable Living Trusts, Wills and Powers of Attorney only.

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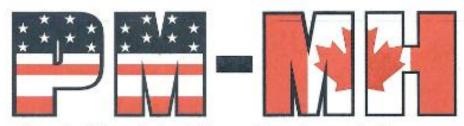
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Personal Liability	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000
Additional Living Expenses	\$17,000	\$20,000	\$26,000	\$32,000
Personal Contents	\$15,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000
Adjacent Structures (if needed)	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000
Manufactured Home/Additions	\$85,000	\$100,000	\$130,000	\$160,000
COVERAGES				

# **A-Rated Company**

## Stated Value/Full Replacement Cost Policies

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Above is a brief illustration of current rates for a 2000 park model or manufactured home located in a +55 Senior

Park. Rates may vary due to age of customer, age or location of home. Annual premiums for newer homes may

be lower and homes older than 2000 can still be insured at a slightly higher rate.

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# **INSURANCE 101**

- 3 things must ALWAYS happen before a claim can be considered for payment.
- The damage MUST be:
  - 1. SUDDEN
  - 2. ACCIDENTAL
  - 3. DIRECT
- 5 things that are **NEVER** covered by insurance:
  - 1. Rust
  - 2. Rot -
  - 3. Corrosion
  - 4. Rain Leakage Unless opening created by open peril
  - 5. Wear and Tear ( Just wore out!)

All 5 Perils Occur Over Time Not Sudden

#### HAIL

Cosmetic verses Structural

#### POWER SURGE

On Premises – Directly at your residence - Covered

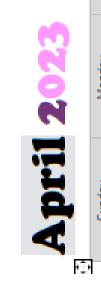
Off Premises – Anywhere other than your residence - NOT Covered

## IMPORTANT: Report losses to your agent.

All coverage is subject to your individual policy limitations & exclusions.

Please read your policy carefully. It contains the information you need to know.





# MAIN EVENTS

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