

Ranch Association Board of Directors election

Applications are available on DCRanch.com in the Community Management section. This year, there are four seats open as terms expire for Board President Elizabeth Kepuraitis, Vice-President Geoff Wilner, Secretary Elaine Cottey and Director Phil Geiger. Cottey was appointed earlier this year to fill the term left vacant by Vince Durocher's resignation, through the 2021 election. If needed, a "Meet the Candidates Night" is scheduled for March 15 at 6 p.m. via Zoom. Residents and Neighborhood Voting Members are encouraged to attend. Board applications are due no later than Monday, March 1 at 5 p.m. Applicants must own a DC Ranch property or live in the community and be at least 18 years old. They should possess a genuine desire to serve the community at-large without bias or conflict of interest; work collaboratively with the other two governing entities (Community Council and Covenant Commission); learn and support the DC Ranch vision, mission and brand promise; become familiar with the CC&Rs, Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws and be willing to engage with residents and assist in the dispute resolution process, when necessary.

Election Timeline

Feb. 1 | Candidate Forms posted on DCRanch.com

Feb. 1 | Election Kickoff at Board of Directors meeting

March 1 | Deadline for candidate applications | 5 p.m.

March 15 | Meet the Candidates Night | 6 p.m.

March 16 | Ballots mailed to NVMs and residents as needed

April 5 | Board members elected at the Annual Meeting | 6 p.m.

Community Council Board of Directors call for candidates

Serving on the DC Ranch Community Council is an excellent opportunity to get involved and give back to your community. The Board is appointed and consists of seven volunteer members who serve staggered, three-year terms that begin on April 1. The Board seeks applicants to fill two positions on the Board. The two incumbents are eligible for reappointment, and both have indicated their intent to apply for second terms. More information can be found in the Community Management section of DCRanch.com.



In case you missed it!

The Merry and Bright Trail of Lights provided a much needed bright spot during the holiday season. Hundreds of residents enjoyed the special holiday lights and décor displayed around the perimeter of Desert Camp Community Center. One resident commented, "This was like having a miniature zoo lights in our backyard and it was awesome to do on our own time and go out for a quick walk as a family. Thanks so much and please bring this back again next year!"

Welcome new Neighborhood Voting Members

In December, residents elected 15 new NVMs and four new Alternate NVMs to serve for the 2021 term. There are still five neighborhoods without representation: The Village at Market Street Lots 211-275, Montelena, Rob's Camp, Horseshoe Canyon (Upper Canyon) and Crescent Park in the Parks at Silverleaf. If you live in one of these areas and are interested in serving, please call The Ranch Offices at 480.513.1500. New NVM orientation is scheduled for Jan. 20 at 5 p.m. via Zoom; expect to hear from your NVM shortly thereafter. Please give a warm Ranch welcome to these dedicated neighbors willing to volunteer throughout the upcoming year:

Terrace Homes West

Alt. NVM: Kumash Patel

Terrace Homes East

Lane Heimsoth

Terrace Homes East

Alt. NVM: David Young

The Estates East

Grant Venable

The Estates West

Doug Wilson

The Courtyards at Desert Parks

Meg Sassaman

Market Street Villas

Pam Church

Camelot 93rd Gate

Wendy Myers

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Alt. NVM: Bob Goebel

The Haciendas

Alt. NVM: Alfred Hackbarth

The Villas

Theresa Johnson

Rosewood

Kathleen Cummings

Craggy Spur/Mule Deer Trail

Michael Dee

Saguaro Canyon

Ann Barker

Wingspan

Angela Thompson

Acacia Court

Marla Walberg

Canyon Villas

Kat Thatcher

Arcadia (North)

Barry Chasse

Arcadia (South)

John Zyadet

Community Standards reminders: parking and trash

Trash and recycling containers are provided and serviced by the City of Scottsdale. To assist with collection, please avoid placing containers beneath trees. Trash and recycling containers may be placed on the street the day before the scheduled pick up and must be removed and stored that same day in an area that is not visible to others.

Street parking is always a concern, especially with the recent increase in home modifications congesting many of the community's narrow neighborhood roadways. Please instruct your service providers and contractors to park with the flow of traffic (facing the same direction on the same side of the street) and avoid parking in cul-de-sacs, near parks, islands or medians. Parking is prohibited in any area that would restrict traffic to less than one full lane, to allow for emergency vehicle access. Do not park on sidewalks, in front of driveways or alleyways and do not block mailboxes or trash cans. Overnight street parking between 2 and 6 a.m. is only permitted with prior approval from DC Ranch Security; forms can be accessed on DCRanch.com. For special situations or large parties, please contact security in advance for assistance and coordination. Pursuant to the Community Standards, no overnight parking of commercial vehicles, trailers, campers, watercraft or other oversized vehicles is permitted anywhere other than in enclosed garages. For a complete list of the Standards for Conduct, visit DCRanch.com/standards.

City Council moves forward with lake in park

The city of Scottsdale is progressing on Bond Project 53, to build multi-use sports fields in the area of Bell Road. At its Jan. 12 meeting and after allowing time for public input, Scottsdale City Council voted to move forward with a lake that will water the fields in an environmentally sensitive way. At DC Ranch Community Council's request, low-level lighting was added to the project before the vote to address safety concerns. The lake will be built in the future DC Ranch Neighborhood Park at 91st Street and Trailside View. The lake will serve as a park amenity that residents can enjoy until the park is completed; no date has been set for additional park development.

Join the Community Council Finance Committee

Provide guidance and counsel to the Community Council Board on financial matters. Residents with experience in finance or a finance-related field are encouraged to apply by March 1. The application can be found in the Community Management section of DCRanch.com.

Council Resident Group seeks volunteers

The DC Ranch Community Council seeks two volunteers to join the DCR Resident Group which meets four or more times per year with Executive Director, Jenna Kohl. The group will learn about and give feedback on Council programs, events, activities, and initiatives. Apply through the Community Management section of DCRanch.com.



Passing of long-time resident and avid volunteer

DC Ranch sadly reports the passing of Stuart Wolkoff on Dec. 24. Over the years, he served as NVM for the Villas at Desert Parks Village (2012-2018) and was a member of his neighborhood's sub-association board. He volunteered and served on the DC Ranch

Gives Committee and received the Council's 2017 Volunteer of the Year Award for Philanthropy. His passion was serving as a guide for the McDowell Sonoran Conservancy where he earned the nickname "Stuart the Steward" for his countless hours spent hiking and teaching families and children. He will be greatly missed.

Congratulations to the 2020 Ranch News Photo Contest Winners

Framed photos will be displayed in the community centers in the coming weeks. Thank you to everyone who participated.



First place –
Posing owl
by Karen Engelhardt



Second place –
Pastel Sunset
by Amy Ocasio



Third place –
Incoming storm
by John Colby

EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

Visit DCRanch.com/calendar to see all activities and register.

Grapenuts: You had me at Merlot

Wednesday, Jan. 20 | 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Zoom

Ages 21+ | Free

Join this virtual gathering for a sommelier-led tasting experience of two Merlots. Sip from the comfort of home as tasting notes, the winemaking process and pairings are discussed.

Food Truck Night

Thursday, Jan. 21 | 5 to 7 p.m.

The Homestead Community Center

Double your pleasure with two food trucks to choose from! Take a break from cooking and grab some dinner to go from Bored Baker Pizza Maker or 4-ATE-0. They will be serving a variety of hot, delicious menu items including pizza, bowls, sandwiches, tacos and decadent desserts.

Saturday Bootcamp

Saturdays, Feb. 6 – March 27 | 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.

Desert Camp Community Center

Ages 18+ | \$27

Bootcamp sessions are a fun way to incorporate Tabata, circuit training, core work and more for a full body workout that produces results. Classes will meet at the basketball court for a total of 8 weeks. Registration required; no drop-ins available.

Spanish Guitar Under the Stars

Saturday, Feb. 13 | 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

The Homestead Community Center

Ages 21+ | \$15

This socially distanced evening of music includes a selection of themed music performed by a local Spanish guitarist. Bring a chair or blanket to sit on the lawn in a designated space as you enjoy light snacks and beverages. Limited seating.

Community Meetings

The following meetings are held via Zoom.

Visit DCRanch.com/calendar for details.

Jan. 25 Ranch Association Budget and Finance Meeting

Jan. 26 Modification Committee Meeting

Jan. 28 Community Council Board of Directors Meeting

Feb. 1 Ranch Association Board of Directors Meeting

Feb. 9 Modification Committee Meeting



Desert Camp Community Center
9260 E. Desert Camp Dr. | 480.342.7178

The Homestead Community Center
18600 N. 98th St. | 480.585.1641

The Ranch Offices on Market Street
20551 N. Pima Rd., Suite 180 | 480.513.1500

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