

# **Community Newsletter - March 2024**

Revenue to date:\$21,915.00 (100% on par w/ January 2024 budget).Next HOA Board meeting is scheduled for March 25, 2024, at the pool.



### Scottsdale Ranch 2024 Board Election

Vote for Scottsdale Ranch Board of Directors electronically by March 18, 2024, and be entered in a raffle to WIN \$75.00!

Log on to <u>www.scottsdaleranch.org</u> for step-by-step directions on how you can vote online.

Each eligible household whose vote is received by March 18, 2024, by either electronic or absentee ballot, will be automatically entered into the raffle. There will be fifteen (15)

random drawings with a prize of \$75.00 for each winner (members do not need to be present to win). Results will be announced @ the SRCA Annual Homeowners' Meeting, Thursday, March 21 at 6 pm (Community Center).

# Heard of the Dinner-Time Burglaries? Read on...

Paula Hoff, Treasurer on the CdC Board of Directors, attended the city of Scottsdale Burglary Syndicate Town Hall Meeting on February 27. Below are her notes from the presentation:

Between November 1, 2023, and January 23, 2024, Scottsdale Police have dealt with 33 reported dinner-time burglaries occurring in residences along washes and golf courses. This trend is part of a larger, nationwide series



that has been ongoing for several years, affecting multiple valley agencies in Arizona. The Scottsdale Police are actively collaborating with other agencies to investigate these crimes. These burglaries typically happen in the early evening hours when homeowners are away. Burglars target smaller items with significant cash value, such as jewelry and purses. To address this, the Scottsdale Police Department is deploying additional resources and focusing efforts on the most affected neighborhoods using data from our Crime Analysis Unit. Note that the Scottsdale Police are employing drones, traffic enforcement, and undercover officers in washes and golf courses.

#### Here are some safety tips from Scottsdale Police:

- Always lock your doors, set alarms, and keep an eye out for your neighbors.
- Interactive cameras provide real-time information and can help notify police of crimes in progress.
- Motion sensor lights deter criminals by illuminating dark areas.
- Shatter-proof window tinting prevents entry by stopping glass from shattering.
- Consider joining a neighborhood watch group for added community vigilance.
- Use the online <u>Scottsdale Police Vacation Watch form</u> to keep the police informed when you're away.
- Spread out valuables (i.e., cash & jewelry) in different locations in your home to make it harder for burglars.
- Remember to call 911 for emergencies or report suspicious activity to the <u>non-emergency number</u>: 480-312-5000.
- Scottsdale police emphasize the importance of community communication and connection in safeguarding our neighborhoods. Stay vigilant!

**Scottsdale Short-Term Rentals (STRs):** Our SRCA Community Leadership Group held an informative session in collaboration with representatives from Scottsdale's City Manager's office, Scottsdale Police Department, and Lynn M. Krunik & Speas, PLLC (Solicitor) to discuss STRs in Scottsdale. This session aimed to provide updates on STRs and illustrate our city's commitment to managing STRs. Three (3) key takeaways:

- 1. Our city is one of a few committed in the state that is actively managing STRs.
- 2. Scottsdale has full-time dedicated resources to address potential impacts stemming from STRs.
- 3. There are multiple departments working together to proactively address STR impacts.

We extend our gratitude to the representatives from the above offices represented and SCRA's leadership team for providing these valuable insights. Rest assured; our city of Scottsdale leadership is fully engaged in safeguarding our community. STR presentations are available at <u>www.casadelcieloscottsdale.com</u>.

### **Damaged Sidewalks**

Are there damaged sidewalks in front of your home or in the community that need to be repaired? Please help your CdC community by reporting it to the city of Scottsdale. Go to <u>Scottsdale EZ</u> to report it.

Scottsdale EZ helps with all types of community concerns including maintenance issues such as damaged sidewalks, traffic sign maintenance, potholes, trash containers, and more. Check it out!



To ensure that action items discussed at the CdC HOA board meetings are addressed, all future Minutes posted on the website will include a Follow-up Action List. Residents are welcome to bring their comments and concerns to the HOA monthly meetings. Anything deemed a concern to the community will be addressed.

PLEASE NOTE: The March 25 HOA Board Meeting will include a speaker from the city of Scottsdale Crime Prevention Unit. All residents are welcome to attend.

# **CALLING ALL LEPRECHAUNS!**

Join us for a St. Patty's Day Party on the lawn beside the pool.

WHEN: Saturday, March 16 — don't forget to <u>wear green!</u> TIME: 3 - 5 pm

WHERE: Pool and Lawn Area on the corner of Mission Lane and San Salvador WHAT TO BRING: Your beverage of choice (no glass, please) and an appetizer/dessert to share

You can choose to sit by the pool and/or come over to the lawn to play bocce ball and corn hole. If you have a lightweight chair, feel free to bring it.



# Follow the Pool Rules: Keep our pool safe and the area clean.



- Residents must accompany guests who use the pool.
- Shower and use the toilet before entering the pool.
- No glass in the pool area (not in coolers or glass on tables).
- Gates must be kept locked at all times. Do not prop the gate open.
- No large pool toys.
- No children under 5 in the spa

- No pets
- No diving

This is a community pool. Please be respectful of others using the pool. Casa del Cielo is regulated by the Maricopa County Environmental Health Code. Failure to meet the County Health Code requirements could result in a fine for your HOA. We appreciate everyone's cooperation.

# **Fruit Picking Deadline April 30**

To guard against roof rats and other pests, residents are reminded to please have all citrus fruit picked and removed from the ground by April 30, 2024.



Also, please deter from putting out bird seed and food scraps which can attract rodents, coyotes, javelina, and feral cats.

NOTE: If a citrus tree is not being tended, please drop us an email at <u>casadelcieloscottsdale@gmail.com</u> and give us the address of the property. We will do an inspection and if it is determined the fruit trees are not being tended, we will have them picked and the homeowner will be charged. If you need help getting fruit picked, please contact the HOA at <u>casadelcieloscottsdale@gmail.com</u> or call the hotline at 480-767-5940. If you would be willing to help pick fruit for a resident in the community, please let us know that too.



# Join Us at Don Bluth Front Row Theatre

featuring Holmes and Watson

When: Thursday, April 4 Time: 7 pm Cost: \$30 per person

https://www.donbluthfrontrowtheatre.com/index.html

A twisting, tantalizing mystery! Sherlock Holmes is dead, or is he? There are plenty of twists and turns to keep you on the edge of your seat in this fast-paced,

thrilling, and suspenseful adventure, and just enough laughs to make it a fun ride from beginning to end. It's Elementary!

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*Please email Shirley Ekvall at <u>sjekvall@gmail.com</u> by March 12 for tickets and to pay. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*



### Do You Use Facebook?

Casa del Cielo has its own Facebook Group page. All residents are invited to join. Search for "Casa del Cielo in Scottsdale Ranch" and look for the picture you see here. \*

Then click on JOIN.

Shirley Ekvall, a resident of CdC, is the Administrator and can approve who has access to the group and its content. It is private, for Casa del Cielo residents only, and only members can see who is in the group and what they post. The group is for Casa del Cielo residents to enjoy, share photos, post things they have for sale, post upcoming community events or family celebrations, and more! Looking for someone to help pick your fruit? Looking for a painter, a handyperson, or a plumber? Ask your neighbors for a referral. The Casa del Cielo Facebook Group will not tolerate posting unkind, negative comments about residents, the HOA board, or any ranting of any kind. The Administrator has the right to refuse and delete any post. Residents only, please.

\*Casa del Cielo HOA is communicating the Facebook Group information via the newsletter to make residents aware that it is available. Casa del Cielo HOA is not liable for any wrongful experiences, or privacy violations resulting from social media and the Casa del Cielo in Scottsdale Ranch Facebook Group. It is available for residents to use at their discretion.

# Happy Birthday to residents with birthdays in March!!

#### Calendar of Events

Monday, March 11—Brush and Bulk Pick Up
Tuesday, March 12—10am Mahjong, SR Community Center
Wednesday, March 13—8:15am Broker Tour, SR Community Center
Wednesday, March 13—SRCA Architectural Committee Meeting, Hybrid Meeting
Friday, March 15—5pm – 7pm Food Truck Friday, Scottsdale Ranch Community Center
Saturday, March 16—3pm – 5pm Casa del Cielo St. Patty's Day Party
Tuesday, March 19—First Day of Spring
Tuesday, March 19— 4:30pm SRCA Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, March 20—8am Retired Active Men's Coffee, SR Community Center
Wednesday, March 20—7pm Evening Bunko, SR Community Center
Thursday, March 21—SR Office hours 12pm-4pm
Thursday, March 21—6pm SRCA Annual Homeowners Meeting
Monday, March 25—5pm Casa del Cielo Board Meeting
Tuesday, March 26—10am SRWA Board Meeting

#### Mail your HOA payments to:

Casa del Cielo HOA c/o First Integrity Property Management P.O. Box 66758 Phoenix, AZ 85085-6758

Need HELP with CdC community issues, contact us at: <u>casadelcieloscottsdale@gmail.com</u> or 480-767-5940. (leave a brief message with your name and phone number). Check our website: <u>www.casadelcieloscottsdale.com</u>

