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Mark Your Calendars

Monthly Board Meeting September 13 at 9 a.m. at the Ramada

Friday Happy Hour July 11 and 25 August 8 and 22 at 5 p.m. at the Ramada

Brush and Bulk Trash Pickup July 21 and August 18

Book Club Tuesday, July 15 at 6 p.m. August TBA

FYI

Non-Emergency & Dispatch Police District: 480-312-5000



Scottsdale Senior Services Find resources and activities at ScottsdaleAZ.gov/Seniors

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July and August Happy Hour date change

There will be no Happy Hour on July 4th, so we've shifted Happy Hour to the second and fourth Fridays in July and August. Please join neighbors on July 11, July 25, August 8, and August 22 at 5 p.m. at the Ramada. Bring a light snack to share and your severage of choice to meet and socialize with neighbors.

Up to \$5,000 for exterior home improvements

The Historic Preservation Program incentive to assist homeowners with protecting and maintaining the exterior features of their homes that give our historic neighborhood a distinct character takes applications year-round. Get more info at: <u>https://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/historic-preservation-</u> program/historic-residential-exterior-rehabilitation-program

Book club: These is my Words, Nancy Turner

If you read this fictional diary of a woman's life in the Arizona Territories, join neighbors on July 15th at 6 p.m. to discuss. Those present will select the August book, meeting date, and host location. Contact Emily at estes.cross@gmail.com for info.



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Local news and summer fun

Podsdale—Did you know the City of Scottsdale has its own podcast? Search "Podsdale" on your podcast platform to follow.

Scam Alert—People have reported receiving a text message from ADOT demanding payment for an outstanding traffic ticket. This is a scam, has no connection to ADOT, and should be ignored. <u>https://azdot.gov/news/beware-new-text-scam-adot-isnt-after-you-unpaid-tickets</u>

Sip + Shop Summer Market Series—This free indoor market at Hotel Valley Ho features local chefs, purveyors, and some of the hotel's favorite wines and spirits on July 19 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. https://hotelvalleyho.com/hotel/hotel-events/summer-market/

20% off Tacos? Yes!—Support Old Town's locally-owned restaurants and enjoy delicious Mexican food all summer long at America's Taco Shop. Use code **SUMMER2025 for 20% off all orders!** For activities in Old Town, check out: <u>https://oldtownscottsdaleaz.com</u>

A Note from Bill

We are combining the July and August newsletter, so please expect our next newsletter in September.

If you missed the July 1st deadline to trim your palms, please do so immediately to reduce risk of harm to people and property from flying debris during monsoon season.

Start decluttering in preparation for our community yard sale, likely to take place in October. Date coming soon.

The Board will meet in September to discuss items brought to our attention this summer, but I will be around take care of responsibilities in the meantime.

Stay hydrated and cool! Bill Marshall, VMRA 2 President