

## The Res/Org



### February Holidays and their meaning

#### Groundhog Day February 2

On this day, people eagerly await the emergence of a groundhog from its burrow. According to folklore, if the groundhog sees its shadow, there will be six more weeks of winter; if not, spring will come early.



#### Mardi Gras in New Orleans February 13

The French name Mardi Gras means Fat Tuesday, from the custom of using all the fats in the home before Lent in preparation for fasting and abstinence.

#### Valentine's Day February 14

The 8th-century Gelasian Sacramentary recorded the celebration of the Feast of Saint Valentine on February 14. The day became associated with romantic love in the 14th and 15th centuries when notions of courtly love flourished, apparently by association with the "lovebirds" of early spring.



#### President's Day February 19



Presidents' Day, in the United States, holiday (third Monday in February) popularly recognized as honoring George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. The day is sometimes understood as a celebration of the birthdays and lives of all U.S. presidents.

*Submitted by Board Member Cheryl McDonald*

# Presidents Message



It looks like February is going to be a busy month at Crescent Run.

- The ballroom is getting a refurbished floor. Events are being relocated to other rooms but never fear, our monthly meeting on February 3<sup>rd</sup> will be in the ballroom as always. The job should be finished just in time for the Valentines Day dance.
- Old dying plants we all have noticed are being pulled out to make way for new ones. Plans are to have them in the ground by this spring.
- The Res Org is holding the annual Meet and Greet event on February 22<sup>nd</sup>. It's another chance to meet new residents and catch up with friends and neighbors. Look for details in this issue of the Round Up and on posters around the community.
- The 2024 Resident Directory will be distributed to paid members at the end of the monthly meeting on February 3<sup>rd</sup>. Don't worry, if you are not current on your dues, you can still pay and get a directory.
- The Res Org has found a Treasurer. The position has been vacant for some time and someone has stepped up to serve. Find out who it is at the February 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting where a public announcement will be made.
- Lots of events – Resident Social Events Committee meeting, Craft Room Open House, Superbowl Potluck, Breakfast in the Social Hall, Manager's Meeting and the Golf Cart Wellness Check. See the Eminutes for dates and times.

Have a good time and see you around.

*Les Norde*

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## Crescent Run Management Recent Accomplishments and Current Projects

### Topics for the January 24<sup>th</sup> meeting with Crescent Run Management

- Follow up from November meeting (did not meet in December)
  - Damaged/missing/sparce gravel areas – this and future street improvements plus compound re-do – part of Capex 2024 projects
  - Cover for pool shower handrail – will be fabricated before hot weather
  - Dead oleander branch in RV cul-de-sac – was trimmed
  - Worn out stop sign in overflow parking lot – will be refurbished
  - Shrubs blocking sidewalks and impeding vision at corners – some removed to be replaced in spring, others will be trimmed
  - Has the Fire Department established the new district yet and when has the city last tested the fire hydrants? – will ask Dawn Blake at Managers Meeting on February 28th
  - Ballroom and pool bathrooms – will be closed from Feb 5<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> for repair/replace/refinish floor, all events are being rescheduled, clubhouse drainage by ballroom repaired with future additional bushes to be removed and rocks realigned for improvement
  - Horseshoe pits new wood - will paint in warmer weather
  - Branches and leaf debris by little dog park and RV lot cul-de-sac – will be addressed
  - Bushes to right of ballroom main entrance – will be addressed
- New items
  - Upcoming managers meetings – scheduled for February 28th
  - E minutes rules and regulations published but not enforced – management discretion
  - Publish Crescent Run hours of operation – already on various publications
  - Dog park watering – will be addressed so there is no flooding
  - Dog park weeds – will be addressed
  - Ballroom clock illegible – will be assessed
  - Poor lighting at Hawes gate – will be assessed



- Beeper and light in exercise room – will be assessed
- One Call Eminutes – will be published bi-weekly as always, not as many Eblasts
- Poor lighting by doors exiting ballroom to parking lot – will be assessed
- Small CR sign by guard shack faded – will be addressed
- Bushes trimmed should also have branches by the ground trimmed – will notify landscapers
- Hawes road exit CR sign on southside needs painting – will be assessed
- Cell tower property has old couch and debris – not Crescent Run responsibility, can call City of Mesa to report
- Flag pole by pool leaning – will be addressed
- Overflow parking lot has 3 dead trees – may be dormant and come back in spring
- Exit on Southern and in basins at Hawes exit has garbage – will be addressed
- Broken curb in water retention area – will be addressed
- Grass in new gravel in water retention area – will be treated for weeds
- Overhanging trees at Hawes entrance –
- will be addressed
- Southwest water retention area used for dog park? – will be assessed
- Rusting light poles in shuffleboard area – will be addressed
- Open electrical box with exposed wiring at bottom of pole behind pool – will be addressed
- Light by ballroom south entrance is out – will be addressed
- Management messages to residents
  - One Call Eminutes – attachments at end of message
  - Old shrubs – “out with the old and in with the new” for springtime
  - Thanks to all residents for bearing with the dormant grass all winter, City of Mesa appreciates that Crescent Run was cooperative in water conservation initiatives

*Submitted by the Residents Organization*

# Residents Organization Community Meeting

Come join us!

**Saturday, February 3 at 9:00am in the Ballroom**



**Free coffee,  
water & donuts!**



**2024 Resident Directory Distribution at 10:00am**

*Submitted by the Residents Organization*

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## CRAFT ROOM OPEN HOUSE

Friday, February 9, 10am to 1pm

Did you know the Craft Room (in the clubhouse) has supplies



for sewing, quilting, knitting, crochet, card

and jewelry making and more? Stop



by February 9 and see all that is

available and get information on

classes that will be offered soon.



**We hope to see you there!**

*Submitted by Resident Sue Fink*

## Outstanding Residents Award for January 2024



**Barb Oxford** (left)

nominated by Jeannette Cleveland (not in photo)

Board Member Cheryl McDonald (right)

## Outstanding Residents Awards

**Who can win an award?** Any resident who dedicates time assisting other residents to make life easier with anything from maintenance, to running errands, etc.

**Who can nominate a resident?** Any Crescent Run resident.

**How?** Just access the Residents Organization website at [www.cres.org](http://www.cres.org) under Residents Tab then click on Programs and Services, click on the Outstanding Resident Program, and print the form using the printer icon in the top right corner. Complete the form and submit to any Board member or put in the black box at the front door of the Clubhouse. **It is that simple!**

**Don't know where to begin and what to write?**

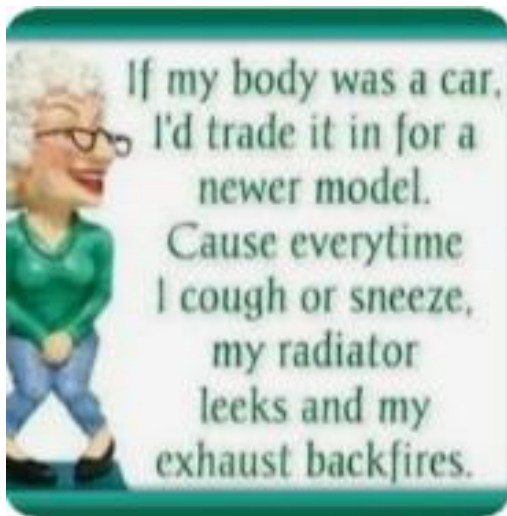
Contact any Board member and we will assist you then you can present the award to the resident of your choice at the next Residents Organization Saturday monthly meeting. If you do not wish to present the award or are not available, a Board member will assist. Or email us at [cresorg@gmail.com](mailto:cresorg@gmail.com)

## Who are the past recipients?

- ✓ Don McDonald – August 2022
- ✓ Deb Metz – September 2022
- ✓ Sharon Wilwerding – September 2022
- ✓ Barb Brooks – November 2022
- ✓ Ken Michealson – December 2022
- ✓ Jean Klein – January 2023
- ✓ Gloria Michealson – February 2023
- ✓ Janet & Roger Sward – April 2023
- ✓ Buzz Metz – April 2023
- ✓ Donna Cole – April 2023
- ✓ Mary Twigg – June 2023
- ✓ Ed Twigg – June 2023
- ✓ Ann Swanson – September 2023
- ✓ Sue Williams – September 2023
- ✓ JoAnn O'Brien – October 2023
- ✓ Craig Wilson – December 2023
- ✓ Barb Oxford – January 2024

**So now it is your turn to speak up and nominate a resident!!**

*Submitted by the Residents Organization*



# Annual Meet & Greet



**Thursday, February 22**

**2:30-4:30pm in Ballroom**

Here is your chance to meet new residents and catch up with current residents! **Mark your calendar!**

**Come have some fun! Love to bake?**

We need volunteers to bake goodies or make simple hors d'oeuvres. If you plan on attending, the signup sheet will be available February 1 by the Fitness room in the black binder under Meet & Greet.

**Hope to see you there!!**





## Two ladies taking in Heaven:

1<sup>st</sup> woman: Hi, Wanda!

2<sup>nd</sup> woman: Hi Sylvia! How'd you die?

1<sup>st</sup> woman: I froze to death.

2<sup>nd</sup> woman: How horrible!!

1<sup>st</sup> woman: It wasn't so bad. After I quit shaking from the cold, I began to get warm and sleepy. Eventually I died a peaceful death. What about you?

2<sup>nd</sup> woman: I died of a massive heart attack. I suspected that my husband was cheating, so I came home early so I could catch him in the act. But instead, I found him all by himself in the den watching TV.

1<sup>st</sup> woman: So, what happened?

2<sup>nd</sup> woman: I was so sure there was another woman there somewhere that I started running all over the house looking. I ran up into the attic and searched. Then I scurried down into the basement. After that, I went through every closet and checked under all the beds. I kept this up until I looked everywhere! Finally, I became so exhausted that I just keeled over with a heart attack and died.

1<sup>st</sup> woman: Too bad you didn't look in the freezer. We'd both still be alive.



## Friday Night Potluck Dinners

Have you ever wondered what is one of the easiest and most fun ways to meet your neighbors at Crescent Run and possibly make new friends? Well, it's as easy as bringing a savory or sweet dish to share (home-made or store bought) and attend the Crescent Run Bi-monthly Friday Night Potluck dinner. The dinners are held the 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month from 5:00-6:30 pm in the Social Hall.

Our first Friday night in January (1/5) potluck dinner was off to a great start with a total of 19 CR attendees.

\*Remember to bring your own place setting, utensils and beverage of choice. By the way, March, May, August & November all have 3 Friday nights, however, we only hold our potluck dinners on the 1st & 3rd Fridays of the month. Hope to see you soon!

Fabiola Moreno



# 2024 New Year's Eve Celebration

**Happy New Year!!**

Nice way to welcome the New Year!!





*Photos by Norma Haynes & Les Norde*

## Tom Jones Impersonator

Lots of laughter, singing along, and dancing with friends!!





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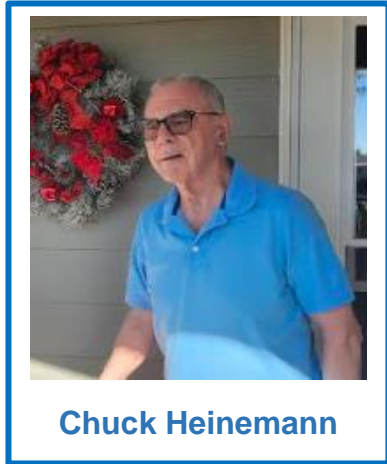


## Birthday Golf Cart Brigade

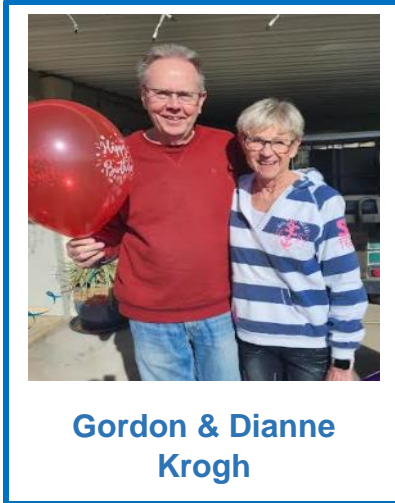
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The Birthday Brigade  
may be coming to your home  
or neighbor soon.  
Everyone has fun!

Residents who were  
surprised this past month:



Chuck Heinemann



Gordon & Dianne  
Krogh



Marlin Mullnix



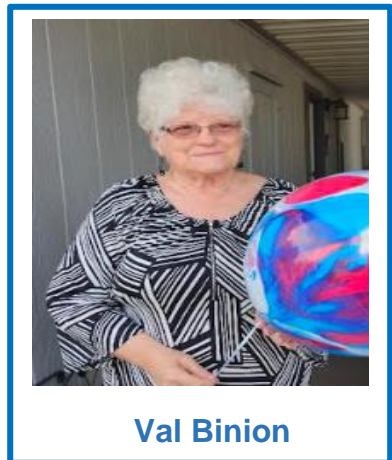
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Gloria Michealson



Deborah Wobosel



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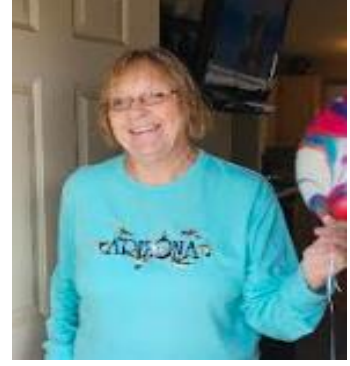
Barbara Hance



Duffy Hansen



Pat Latour



Barb Strese



Toni Doucet



Bernd Llnzbach



Roger Sward



Carol Newton



Dave Weaver



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Thanks so much for reading  
our Round Up Newsletter.  
More to follow in *April 2024!*



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