# **Ranch Roundup**

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### New boards of directors seated





**Community Council:** 

Effective April 1, Dinesh Kakwani and Rolland Dickson were appointed to 3-year terms on the Community Council Board of Directors. Ron Dickson Belmont was reappointed to a three-

year term in the joint director role shared with the Covenant Commission. Newly appointed directors will join Natalie Ingram, Elizabeth Kepuraitis, Ethan Knowlden and Alex Townsend. Ethan Knowlden will serve as president, Natalie Ingram as vice president and Elizabeth Kepuraitis remains as secretary/treasurer. The Council extends deep gratitude to departing directors Claudia Gharai and Jill Hegardt.





Ranch Association:

Effective April 3, Phil Geiger and Iryna Sukhovolets were elected to serve 3-year terms on the Ranch Association Board of Directors. Newly elected Sukhovolets directors will join Elaine Cottey, Greg

Kiraly, Don Matheson, John Shaw and Marla Walberg. Phil Geiger will remain as president, Greg Kiraly as vice president, Marla Walberg as secretary and John Shaw remains as treasurer. Special thanks to departing director Geoffrey Wilner for his service.

# **Mack Company Industrial Project**

At the March 31 open houses, the Mack Company stated that they did not receive significant support from the public for the Mixed-Use option. As a result, Mack will move forward on the Industrial Project, Phase I (south parcel) and Phase II (north parcel) at Pima and the 101, south to Bell Road. Both proposals have already been submitted to the city planning department. On behalf of the DC Ranch community-at-large, the Community Council is currently drafting comments to submit to the developer and city on both Phase I and Phase II. When complete, the comments will be shared with residents along with a link for residents to submit their individual comments.

### City dog park moves forward

The City of Scottsdale is holding an open house on April 24 at 6 p.m. in the McDowell Mountain Ranch Aquatic Center meeting room. The city will seek public input on the design of the off-leash dog park to be built at the corner of Thompson Peak and Hayden. In a recent meeting with DC Ranch residents, city staff said they are considering a variety of surface options that can minimize maintenance downtime. More details.

#### Welcome new team member

The Ranch Association welcomes back Aaron Largo as Community Standards Manager at The Ranch Offices. He previously worked on the team from 2014-2019. An enthusiast for landscape, Aaron's role is to assist homeowners in adhering to the community standards and DC Ranch vision. In his free time, Aaron enjoys cooking for friends and cheering on his favorite sports teams.



### Spring cleaning

Spring is a great time to clear away the clutter by following these city guidelines and DCR-01 Bulk Trash standard. Bulk trash may be put out on Friday the week before pick up according to the city's schedule. Bulk trash should be separated into two piles, three feet apart, one for composting and another for landfill waste. The piles must be placed on the homeowner's property, by the side of the driveway or front yard, and not on the street or in common areas. Trash not picked up within five days becomes the homeowner's responsibility to remove.

### **Home & Landscape Expo presentations**

For residents who missed the 2023 Home and Landscape Expo. speaker presentations are now available on **DCRanch.com**. Find helpful information on Community Standards, Firewise, paint trends and artificial turf.

#### Artificial turf rebates

Summer is the perfect time to make a water saving modification to artificial turf in your landscape design. Take advantage of the upcoming City of Scottsdale Residential Grass Removal Rebate. Applications open July 1, and residents should not start any grass removal before that time. Additionally, residents must submit a DC Ranch modification request before performing any work. Questions regarding the rebate may be directed to Scottsdale Water Resources at 480.312.5650.

# Viving Connected

A round of applause to young resident Ryan Novak who won first place in the Math League Phoenix 4th Grade qualifying round. He proudly represented Basis Scottsdale Primary East at the competition and will advance to the district competition this month.



# In case you missed it!



Over 650 residents of all ages gathered for Eggstravaganza: Candy Land on Saturday, April 8 at Desert Camp Community Center. The sweet spring celebration featured games, entertainment, gift boxes, a breakfast buffet and traditional egg hunt. Residents also enjoyed a sneak performance from Frozen JR., the upcoming spring production.

### **Community Council Budget & Finance** Committee

The Community Council is seeking applicants for the Budget and Finance Committee. The committee provides guidance and advice to the Council's Board of Directors, reviews financial statements, participates in audit firm selection and analyzes the audit, reviews and recommends financial policies, and attends the Board's budget meetings. Apply by Friday, May 5.

### Path and trail etiquette

The community's path and trail system is a favorite among residents. With the trail system busier than normal, the National Recreation and Park Association suggests warning others as you approach and stepping aside to allow others to pass. For safety reasons, motorized vehicles such as golf carts, ATVs and skateboards are not permitted on sidewalks or the paths and trails. Bicyclists are also reminded to slow down when nearing pedestrians. Only battery-operated toy vehicles for children 7 or younger may be driven on the path system or sidewalks under the supervision of an adult.

## **Community meetings**

**Modification Committee** April 26

May 1 Ranch Association Budget & Finance Committee

Ranch Association Board of Directors May 8

May 9 **Modification Committee** 

Please visit DCRanch.com/calendar for a full listing of events.

### **EVENTS AND PROGRAMS**





# Food Truck Night 🕏

Thursday, April 20 | 5 to 7 p.m. Desert Camp

Sink your teeth into Phat Cheeks Grill ultimate smashburgers served with gourmet fries. Or get your fresh seafood fix with East Coast Joe's best sellers including the Connecticut-style lobster roll.

### Starlight Concert 🕝

Friday, April 21 | 6 to 8 p.m. Market Street Park All ages | Free

Enjoy a night of live music under the stars with alternative rock band Ashley Red! Residents are encouraged to bring their own lawn seating, snacks and drinks.



### Spring Production: Frozen JR. 🕝

May 4-6 | 6:30 p.m.

May 7 | 3 p.m.

Tickets: Adults \$18 | Youth \$12

Frozen JR. brings Elsa, Anna and the magical land of Arendelle to life. The show features a collection of memorable songs from the Disney film. Come see the talented cast of youth members share their hard work on the stage. Limited seats available.



### Women's Club: Pizza Making Class 👨

Thursday, May 11 | 6 to 8:30 p.m. Classic Cooking Academy

Ages 21+ | \$55

Round out your cooking skills! Work with a culinary professional to create a mouth-watering pizza from scratch.