



Construction of Desert Camp nears

Desert Camp Community Center is anticipated to close in late October for construction, pending permitting. For safety reasons, the entire site will be fenced and closed for the duration of construction, which is anticipated to take 9-12 months. Hours at The Homestead Community Center are being extended to accommodate events and programs, with considerations for clubs and drop-in activities. More information will be shared soon with residents, including options for alternative sites for swimming, fitness and tennis/pickleball courts. To learn more about the project, visit DCRanch.com/DCSIP.

Mack Open House recap

The Mack Industrial Project team held a public Open House on Aug. 23. More than 125 people attended, many were DC Ranch residents. Concerns over traffic dominated the meeting. The next step for the project will be a City of Scottsdale Development Review Board (DRB) hearing. Residents will be informed when the date has been set and provided with a link to submit comments along with instructions on how to speak at the meeting, if desired. [Read details.](#)

Apply to become an NVM

Looking for a way to give back to your neighborhood? Volunteer to become a 2024 Neighborhood Voting Member (NVM). DC Ranch residents are served by a total of 44 NVMs, each representing the neighborhood in which they live. NVMs are a vital voice in the community and vote for directors during the annual Ranch Association Board of Directors election, facilitate communication between residents and the Ranch Association board and staff, attend monthly Ranch Association Board of Directors meetings, and deliver welcome baskets to new residents. Any owner who is in good standing can serve after applying and being elected by their neighborhood. Help the community reach 100-percent representation! Applications are available on DCRanch.com beginning Oct. 2.

2024 Budget Workshops

The Ranch Association and Community Council will approve annual budgets for the 2024 calendar year this November. Residents are invited to attend any of the three scheduled budget workshops.

Ranch Association:

Wednesday, Sept. 20 at 3 p.m. | Zoom

Tuesday, Oct. 10 at 6 p.m. | The Homestead

Community Council:

Thursday, Oct. 19 at 5:30 p.m. | The Homestead

New services directory launches soon

The Ranch Association held its inaugural vendor and contractor training in July. In an effort to ease the modification process for residents, a Home & Landscape Modifications Service Directory of businesses that have been trained on DC Ranch guidelines will be available for residents on DCRanch.com this fall. Training topics included: how to submit a modification application, permitted and prohibited plants for each Village, and architectural and landscape designs that require Modification Committee approval. The directory will be updated annually based on businesses that attend the training. The listing is provided as a resource; the Ranch Association does not endorse any contractor or vendor.

Overseeding season begins

Late September is an ideal time for residents to transition their turf to winter rye grass. Overseeding during fall weather provides a beautiful and lush lawn through winter until Bermuda grass passes its dormancy period. Landscaping crews will be busy overseeding neighborhood parks and common areas. Please observe posted signage and keep off the grass areas to allow for successful germination.

For residents who choose to overseed, follow these helpful tips:

- Professionals recommend 12-15 pounds of seed per 1,000 square feet. Check your square footage by measuring and multiplying the length x width or review your approved landscape plan.
- Apply seed in two directions, both length and width of the lawn.
- Seeds need be kept moist to germinate. Irrigation is recommended 4-6 times per day, scheduled close together during the sunniest and hottest part of the day. Pop-up irrigation heads should run for 2 to 3 minutes and rotor heads for 4 to 5 minutes.
- Call Community Standards at 480.977.1299 with any questions.

Living Connected

Over 50 young residents and their families jumped into fun as they celebrated the return of school at the Back to School Bounce. The Homestead was filled with cool indoor activities including bounce houses, games, an obstacle course, and a craft station. Many reconnected with friends they had not seen all summer. DC Ranch wishes everyone a stellar school year!



In case you missed it!



On Aug. 29, Liberty Station on Market Street hosted the annual 86'D Cocktail Competition. Local bartenders were asked to submit their recipes and bar manager Adam Downey selected four contestants to compete. Each contestant had 6 minutes to create a cocktail using mystery ingredients for each of the three rounds. A panel of judges scored them on taste, presentation and creativity. Cory Ferguson from TheAmericano won the golden gloves.

Save the date: Community Safety Forum

The sixth annual [Community Safety Forum](#) is scheduled for Oct. 25 at 6 p.m. at The Homestead Community Center. Residents are invited to join the City of Scottsdale Police and Fire Departments for an educational discussion on preparation and evacuation in case of a fire or flood emergency. Learn strategies to support personal and residential safety and community wellbeing.

'Tis the season for decorating

Seasonal outdoor décor is permitted from Oct. 1 through Jan. 15, so start unpacking those boxes from storage and get creative! While decorating is encouraged, residents should be sensitive to light and noise levels affecting any neighbors. Per the community standards DCR-19, seasonal décor in Horseshoe Canyon and the Upper Canyon of Silverleaf may not be placed on rooftops. For any additional questions or help, contact Community Standards at 480.977.1299.

Look out for wildlife

The warm summer months bring out many of the desert's native inhabitants. Increased sightings of bobcats, snakes, hawks, coyotes and mountain lions have been reported throughout North Scottsdale, especially in areas with accessible water. Stay aware while outdoors and keep children and pets safe.

Community meetings

- Sept. 18 Ranch Association Budget & Finance Committee
- Sept. 20 Ranch Association Budget Input Session
- Sept. 26 Modification Committee
- Sept. 27 Ranch Association Policy Committee
- Sept. 28 Community Council Board of Directors
- Oct. 2 Ranch Association Board of Directors
- Oct. 3 Ranch Association Budget & Finance Committee
- Oct. 10 Ranch Association Annual Budget Workshop

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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EVENTS AND PROGRAMS



Food Truck Night + Bottle Rockets

Thursday, Sept. 19 | 5 to 7 p.m.
The Homestead

Enjoy a night off from cooking and pick up the perfect slice from Pizza Arno! Kids will have a "blast" building water bottle rockets and launching them on the lawn. All supplies provided.



Scottsdale Philharmonic

Sunday, Oct. 8 | 3 to 6:15 p.m.
Ages 16+ | [\\$23](#)
Departs from The Homestead

Travel by bus to attend the Scottsdale Philharmonic fall concert. After the concert, residents will have the exclusive opportunity to meet the conductor, some of the musicians and to ask questions.

Mavrix Youth Meet Up

Monday, Oct. 9 | Noon to 2:15 p.m.
Ages 6-11 | [\\$28](#)
Meet at Mavrix

Kids will enjoy an afternoon filled with interactive bowling, arcades and more at Mavrix. Registration includes a \$10 game card, pizza party and a free game of laser tag.



Trunk or Treat

Friday, Oct. 13 | 5:30 to 7 p.m.
All ages | [RSVP](#)
The Homestead

Don't let Friday the 13th scare you away! Dust off those creative cobwebs and participate with a decorated car trunk full of candy. Kids will walk by each car gathering goodies, playing games and meeting neighbors. Park your car at 5 p.m. to set up.

Please visit [DCRanch.com/calendar](#) for a full listing of events.