

Construction begins at Desert Camp

On Jan. 29, Haydon Building Corp. mobilized their team and sub-contractors to begin demolition/construction. The parking lot, pool, fitness center and restrooms are officially closed. For more information about the project and future updates, visit [DCRanch.com/DCSIP](https://dcranch.com/DCSIP).



A [comprehensive list](#) of nearby alternative sites for fitness and swimming has been compiled and continues to be updated. The Community Council is offering trial options for residents. Residents can drop-in for 8 visits at McDowell Mountain Ranch Aquatic and Fitness Center or utilize EoS Fitness through March 31, 2024. For more details on the trials and how to sign up, [click here](#).

Apply for the Ranch Association board

Candidate applications for the Ranch Association Board of Directors are now being accepted. There are two open seats as Elaine Cottey and Greg Kiraly's terms expire. Applicants must own property in DC Ranch and commit to serving a three-year term. [Learn more and apply](#) by March 1.

Meet the Candidates Night

The Ranch Association board candidate statements will be posted on [DCRanch.com](https://dcranch.com) on March 4. Residents are invited to attend a forum and meet those running for the vacant positions on March 11 at 6 p.m. at The Homestead Community Center. A zoom link will also be available to attend virtually.

Nominate a Volunteer of the Year

Do you know a neighbor who is consistently giving back to DC Ranch or the greater community? The Community Council would like to recognize them for their service. Celebrate this individual by filling out a short [nomination form](#) for the categories of Leadership, Philanthropy, Youth, Good Neighbor or Community Partner.

Path and trail etiquette

The community's path and trail system is a favorite among residents. 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.

Update to modification process for security enhancements

To assist residents in their efforts for security enhancements to their homes and to ensure adherence to community standards, temporary updates to the submittal process have been instituted. Visit [DCRanch.com](https://dcranch.com) for more information on the process and to submit a modification form for security cameras and/or motion-activated lights.

Installation of internal home security systems and/or "Ring" style doorbells do not require prior approval from the Modification Committee or Ranch Association staff.

Short-term rental policy reminder

The standards for Rental of Property ([DCR-18](#)) do not allow rentals less than 6 months, with only two rentals permitted during a calendar year. Rental and lease terms lasting fewer than 6 months are prohibited. The Ranch Association actively monitors property rental websites to ensure compliance with these requirements. Fines for infractions of short-term rentals may be imposed.

Community Standards for Natural Open Space (NOS)

NOS areas are land owned by DC Ranch or the owner of a private lot, with the easement acting as a deed restriction. A city of Scottsdale ordinance mandates the dedication of NOS to permanently preserve specific environmental features including washes, mountain ridges and desert plants. These easements are dedicated common tracts within subdivisions or on lots throughout DC Ranch.

Standards for Landscape [DCRL-09](#) states that the only maintenance that should be done in these areas is removing foreign debris, such as trash, construction debris and invasive grasses or plants. Trimming for safety concerns requires prior approval by calling The Ranch Offices at 480.513.1500.

Living Connected

Are you an early resident who has seen the growth of DC Ranch over the years? The DC Ranch Oral History Project is an exciting initiative of the Historic Committee that aims to document, preserve, and celebrate the rich history of the community by collecting the stories of people who have experienced it firsthand. If you are interested in participating, please email history@dcranchinc.com.



EVENTS AND PROGRAMS



Early Release Fun Day

Wednesday, Feb. 28 | 1 to 3 p.m.

Ages 6+ | [RSVP](#)

The Homestead

Kids are invited to spend time playing with neighbors and friends on an early release day from school. They will enjoy crafts, games and snacks both indoors and on the lawn. Parents are welcome to stay, but not required.

AZ Opera: Romeo & Juliette

Sunday, March 3 | 12:45 to 5:45 p.m.

Ages 16+ | [\\$34](#)

Departs from The Homestead

Residents will board a bus to Phoenix Symphony Hall and enjoy a performance of Arizona Opera's Romeo & Juliette. Gounod's romantic and rapturous music sets the stage for this tale of star-crossed lovers, based on Shakespeare's play.

Starlight Concert: Pick Up Lines

Friday, March 8 | 6 to 8 p.m.

Market Street Park

Enjoy a night of live music under the stars! Residents are encouraged to walk or ride their bikes to the concert and bring their own lawn seating, snacks and drinks. Parking is available on the south end of Market Street.

Mountain Biking Club

Saturday, March 9 | 10 a.m. to Noon

Ages 18+ | [RSVP](#)

Meet at Pima Dynamite Trailhead

Gear up for an exhilarating 15-mile adventure through scenic trails with other DC Ranch residents. Suitable for intermediate to advanced riders.

Springtime fun!

Registration is now open for events and programs through May. Take a look at the [Spring Program Guide](#) which also delivers in mailboxes soon.

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

In case you missed it!

Nearly 400 residents gathered for the annual DC Ranch Day celebration, highlighting the heritage and history of the community. Residents enjoyed a petting zoo, casino games, a western photo booth, live music by Kruse Brothers and a delicious BBQ supper. The evening concluded with a Pony Parade for all of the little wranglers to show off their homemade stick ponies.



Scottsdale Water Campus Tour

Thursday, March 14 | 9 to 10:30 a.m.

Ages 16+ | [\\$7](#)

Meet at Scottsdale Water Campus

Ever wonder how the water we use every day is treated and recycled? This guided tour provides a behind-the-scenes look at the nearby Scottsdale Water Campus and the Advanced Water Treatment Facility, one of the most sophisticated recycled water facilities in the world.

Women's Club: Spring Social

Thursday, March 14 | 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Ages 21+ | [RSVP](#)

The Homestead

Come meet other women in the community for friendly conversation and fellowship. Light bites and beverages provided.

Landscape Stroll

Saturday, March 16

Session 1: 8 to 9:30 a.m. | [RSVP](#)

Session 2: 10 to 11:30 a.m. | [RSVP](#)

All ages

Meet at Market Street Park

Learn about the local wildflowers, landscape features along the path and trail system and the importance of desert flora in the community during this beautiful 1-mile stroll with the DC Ranch Landscape Manager.

Community meetings

- Feb. 27 Modification Committee
- March 4 Ranch Association Board of Directors
- March 11 Meet the Candidates Night
- March 12 Modification Committee

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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