DC Ranch

Ranch Roundup

A monthly highlight of news and events in DC Ranch.

One Community, Four Villages: Country Club | Desert Camp | Desert Parks | Silverleaf

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Neighborhood Voting Member ballots

Ballots for the Neighborhood Voting Member (NVM) election were sent via email from ElectionBuddy. Residents should quickly return their selection (one vote per household) for a neighborhood representative in 2027. Ballots must be submitted by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 20. For questions, email elections@dcranchinc.com.

Thompson Peak Parkway bridge project begins



Scottsdale has broken ground on a $14.2 million project to add a second bridge over the Reata Wash on Thompson Peak Parkway, improving safety and access for drivers, bicyclists and pedestrians. The project will eliminate a bottleneck where four lanes narrow to two and provide four continuous travel lanes, bike lanes and a sidewalk between Scottsdale Road and 100th Street.

Initial work includes salvaging and relocating native plants, identifying and potentially relocating underground utilities, and drilling shafts for bridge supports. Much of this work will occur below the roadway in Reata Wash, and travel lanes will remain open during this phase. Construction is expected to take about 14 months.

Update on Desert Camp locker room renewal project

The Women's Locker Room at Desert Camp Community Center is closed for repairs. The Family Locker Room, Fitness Studio and North Patio restrooms are available for use during the closure. Construction is anticipated to be complete by early January.

The Community Council is investing in the renewal of these locker rooms to address aging plumbing and infrastructure, improve long-term reliability, and extend the life of this resident amenity.

This project is funded through Community Council reserves—dollars set aside over time for the repair and replacement of community assets.

Planning an exterior modification to your home?

Beginning Jan. 1, 2027 all inquiries and submittals for modifications should be submitted to the Covenant Commission. Sub-association approval still applies prior to submittal. Design Review procedures, guidelines, and forms will be accessible on DCRanch.com. Prepare required documents for your project and email the Covenant Commission for review. Submittals will be placed into the review queue upon receipt of all required documents and review fee.

The current submittal process to the Ranch Association applies through Dec. 31, 2026.

Please slow down

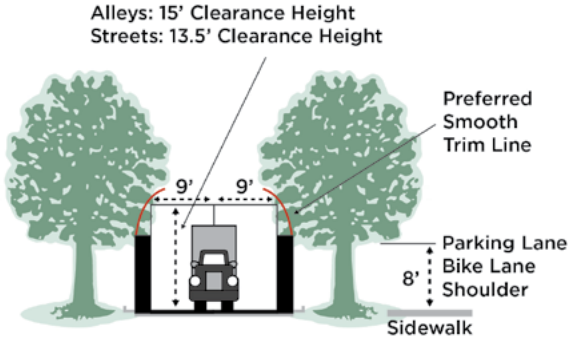
To help keep our community safe, please observe the 15 MPH speed limit on DC Ranch private roads, unless otherwise posted. Vehicles traveling 10 MPH or more over the posted speed limit may receive a speeding violation notice. For additional information, please refer to Community Standards for Conduct DCR-24.

Travel plans? DC Ranch can help keep watch

Please fill out a Vacation Notification Form for Community Patrol to keep an extra eye on your home while you're away. They will conduct weekly perimeter checks and look for anything suspicious.

Trim trees for trash service

Please inspect your alleyway trees for any low-hanging limbs or overgrowth and trim as illustrated. There is a 13.5 feet minimum clearance requirement above the street and 15 feet in an alleyway. The Ranch Association does maintain the streetscape trees along the sidewalks for clearance and safety up to 8 feet from the sidewalk. If the tree requires trimming or structural pruning above 8 feet, it is the homeowners' responsibility to meet the necessary clearance standards. When city code enforcement reports a violation, the homeowner will be contacted and provided ten days to meet compliance. The city may also suspend collection service if appropriate clearance is not provided and any damage to the city's trucks caused by a low-hanging limb will be the homeowner's responsibility. For questions or additional assistance, please call the Ranch Office at 480.513.1500.



Holiday hours

The Ranch Office will be closed for Thanksgiving weekend starting at Noon on Wednesday, Nov. 25 and reopen Monday, Nov. 30.

The Homestead Community Center will be closed Thursday, Nov. 26 and Friday, Nov. 27.

The lobby at Desert Camp Community Center will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 26. Access to the fitness center, pools and courts remain open.

Life in *Harmony*.



Centered on the theme "Prepare, Respond, Recover," the Community Safety Forum in October brought together representatives from Scottsdale Police, GardaWorld Security and the Ranch Association to discuss crime prevention, community security and storm recovery. Commander Peter Michael and Officer Rob Katzaroff of the Scottsdale Police Department addressed recent security concerns and shared practical guidance to help residents reduce risk and report suspicious activity. View presentation.

In case you missed it!

Over 400 residents joined Batman for a night of fun at Spooky Carnival: Gotham Ranch! Residents showed off their wildest costumes while enjoying carnival games, creating custom masks, taking home personalized caricatures, and indulging in a delicious buffet dinner. With DJ beats filling the air and favorite superheroes making special appearances, it was a super-powered Halloween celebration.



Hot Cocoa Stroll on Market Street

Kick off the holiday season with this popular annual event on Thursday, Dec. 3 from 5:30 to 8 p.m.

Winter Program Guide

View the Winter Program Guide and register now for December, January and February events! Physical copies are available for pickup in the lobby at Desert Camp Community Center, The Homestead Community Center, or the Ranch Office.

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Modification Committee

Tuesday, Dec. 8 | 2 p.m. | Ranch Office or Zoom

EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

DEC. 1-31

Merry & Bright Trail of Lights

6 to 10 p.m. | Desert Camp
All ages | Free

Residents are invited to delight in some holiday magic with a leisurely evening stroll through the beautifully illuminated path around Desert Camp every night in December!



WEDNESDAY, DEC. 2

Yappy Hour

5:30 to 6:30 p.m. | Desert Camp
All ages | RSVP

Get in the holiday spirit with your furry neighborhood friends! Enjoy festive treats and photos with Santa.



MONDAY, DEC. 7

Gingerbread with Mrs. Claus

4 to 5 p.m. **or** 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. | **The Homestead**
Ages 0-12 | $12

Mrs. Claus is visiting the Ranch to spread holiday cheer. Bring your little one for a fun holiday celebration that includes gingerbread houses, holiday crafts, songs and games with Mrs. Claus, as well as photo opportunities. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

TUESDAY, DEC. 8

Women's Club: Gift Exchange

5 to 6:30 p.m. | Desert Camp
Ages 21+ | RSVP

Celebrate the spirit of giving with a merry-making gift exchange. All ladies are asked to bring a wrapped gift (limit $40 value). A delicious assortment of light bites and beverages provided.

SATURDAY, DEC. 12

Cocoa & Caroling

6 to 8 p.m. | Desert Camp
All ages | RSVP

Join neighbors for a festive celebration while strolling the Desert Camp 1/4-mile loop decorated with twinkling lights. Indulge in hot chocolate and desserts, meet Santa, and embrace the season with classic holiday tunes sung by a variety of musical acts.

SATURDAY, DEC. 12

Gives: Group Service Project

8 a.m. to Noon
Departs from The Homestead
Ages 14+ | $10



Spend the morning giving back at the Franciscan Renewal Center. Residents will help restore the center's desert walkways with river rock and plants, creating more welcoming paths for the people who attend their retreats, programs, counseling, worship and other services. Transportation and Gives shirt provided.

Details are subject to change. Visit DCRanch.com/calendar for the meeting calendar. | Log into Club Automation for event and program registration.