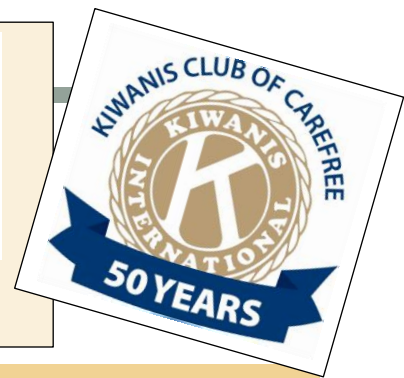




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KIWANIS CLUB OF CAREFREE NEWSLETTER

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March 2023

All You Can Eat



Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast
Saturday March 11, 2023
7:00 am - 11:00 am

Sanderson Lincoln Pavilion
101 Easy Street, Carefree AZ 85377

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Member Happy Hour
Mt. View Pub
Thursday, April 6th
5:30pm On the Deck!

Michelle from Mt. View Pub will be putting together an Appetizer Bar with lots of tasty Mt. View favorites! All Members and their guest will receive one FREE drink ticket! Bring a guest and promote our Kiwanis Club.

It's Scholarship Season!



March MEETINGS:

Wed 1st: Leigh Zydonik, Foothills FoodBank

Wed 8th: No Meeting

Wed 15th: Vanessa Kohnen of Rancho Milagro.

Celebrating St. Patrick's Day with corn beef and cabbage!

Wed 22nd: Surprise! Come and See ☺

Wed 29th: Election for Kiwanis Club Board of

Directors and Kiwanis Foundation Board of

Directors Bloody Mary Bar, Prime Rib, baked spud

Valentines Celebrated With the Upscale Singers

Harold's was adorned with heart-shaped balloons as Kiwanians celebrated Valentine's Day at the Wednesday February 15th meeting. The Upscale Singers shared musical entertainment. Upscale Singers has a dual mission in serving the Desert Foothills communities: to perform great music and promote young singers' abilities with opportunities for musical development and financial support.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

March Celebrations

1st – Lynn Oates

12th – Colleen Walski

14th – Bob Preston

15th – Hans Thiele

28th – David Bell



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

*Thanks for helping us grow
and reach more kids*

Keith McKenzie

Apologies for missing you
last month!



Membership Happy Hour at the Marketplace - Monday, February 20th

Friends, Socializing, Laughter, Shopping and Fun!





MARCH 6-10 is AKTION CLUB WEEK

12,000 Members in 14 Countries!

Aktion Club is the only service club for adults with disabilities drawing members from various organizations that support individuals with disabilities, as well as other community programs. It is supported at the district level and by the Kiwanis International Office in Indianapolis, Indiana, which provides programs, literature and opportunities to relate to individuals with disabilities from countries worldwide.

Aktion Club provides an opportunity to build leadership and decision-making skills, as well as hold leadership roles in the club. Members experience meaningful community-service activities. They learn by doing. They learn organization, teamwork and leadership. But the most important lesson they learn is that individuals working together can and do make a difference to the world around them.

MARCH 20-24 IS BUILDERSCLUB WEEK – Motto: Building Leaders

Since 1975, Builders Club was uniquely built on an important principle: amazing things happen when the students take the lead. It's age-appropriate. The program and its resources are designed specifically to help middle school students get the most of the club experience. Builders Club is the largest service organization for middle school and junior high students, with more than 45,000 members and 1,600 clubs in 19 countries.

Objects - To foster caring, empathy and good character in students. To develop students' service and leadership skills. To provide opportunities for students to learn, engage, serve and lead to benefit school, community and world.

Vision - To develop competent, capable, caring leaders through the vehicle of service.

Mission - Builders Club is a global student-led organization that provides members with learning and experiences to build character, contribute through service and develop leadership.

Core Values –

LEARNING: Acquiring skills and knowledge to develop self-awareness and service leadership over time.

INCLUSION: Accepting and welcoming the differences and perspectives of others.

COMMON GOOD: Committing to making the school and community better for all.

SERVICE: Turning empathy into action that betters the community or the lives of others.

LEADERSHIP: Listening, communicating, serving and guiding.

OUR KIWANIS K-KIDS IN ACTION

“In January of 2021, we started our K-Kids Club. The first year we had 6 members, the second year we had 10 and this year we have almost 20 members. We meet on Thursday at 8:00 and each week we do a different project. We had a toiletry drive in September and a game and blanket drive in December to benefit the Food Bank. Once a month, we collect recycling around the school. We've made posters to celebrate Bus Driver Week and to welcome our upcoming kindergarteners.”

“Dear Mr Hart,

At Horseshoe Trails Elementary School, we love K-Kids! We have increased our member participation steadily this year supporting our school and our community, through support for PuppyLuv Rescue. Under teachers, Leighanne Harrison and Stephanie Holder, students have participated in a number of community events including a towel/blanket drive, Dress like a Dalmatian Day, donations were raised for PuppyLuv rescue through Dalmatian Day and a Saturday morning volunteer event with 15 students! Students have had a blast representing our school in a way that also supports our community and also supports animals. We appreciate the opportunity to be involved in such an amazing organization!”

Leighanne Harrison and Stephanie Holder





Kiwanis
K-Kids
 Young Leaders Helping Others

"LOTS on the LOT" Sale
 February 26, 2023 at Marketplace
 was held indoors due to the rain.
 Here's what it was like.

It really looked nice before opening the doors. Then the shoppers seeking bargains appeared from everywhere and, well, it was a mad house! Why? Because everything was \$2.00! Luckily, Alex had layout and cash wrap all figured out and the flow kept going! About the day, Bob Moore remarked, "It reminded me of "Klien's on the Square in NY or Filine's Basement sale in Boston."

What you have to appreciate is that Alex gathered enough employees and volunteers together at 7am on Sunday morning to move all the furniture out of the big room and move in the racks of goods and boxes of bargains, out of the rain.

Great Job Alex and MP Staff!



The Funds Request Committee approved the grant of \$4,700 to the Cave Creek Museum to be used for Kiwanis Family Fun Days! The funds will be used for project supplies, promoting youth engagement, marketing, and talented speakers.



So Long Friends... Gone but not forgotten.

Paul Schoonover was member of the Carefree Kiwanis Club in the 1950's – 60's. He joined the Army Air Corp. during WW II, and later served in the Arizona Air Guard. Paul and Grace were married in 1946, made their home in Arizona, and established two successful Air Conditioning companies. He lived his life to the fullest and enjoyed many great adventures, we'll miss him, but he gave us all a model to build upon. He was 97. His daughter, Paula Scully, is a current member of our club.

Frank Abbruscato passed away at the age of 91. He is survived by his wife of nearly 67 years, Peg, and sons Mark, John and Matthew. The son of Italian immigrants, Frank grew up in Brooklyn, New York and served two years in the U.S. Army as a medical photographer in Germany during the Korean War. Frank enjoyed owning classic cars and fine bottles of red wine. Frank was a leader for the Foothills Community Foundation and Arizona Musicfest, and an avid fan and supporter of KJZZ Public Radio.

*Here's to good Irish friends.
Never above you. Never below you.
Always beside you!
- Irish Toast*

