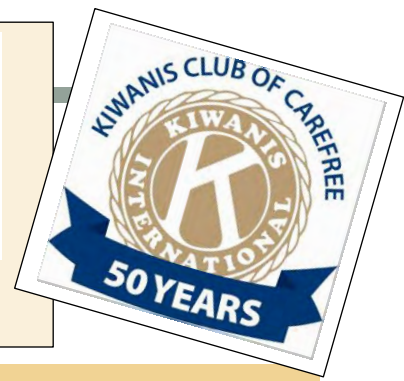




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KIWANIS CLUB OF CAREFREE NEWSLETTER

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April 2023

## CELEBRATING 50 YEARS – And boy did we!



On March 6<sup>th</sup>, Kiwanis of Carefree celebrated our 50th anniversary as a chartered club. The event was held at Harolds, filling it wall-to-wall with people. It was kicked off by opening words from our President Joyce Jordan and Vice President Linda Wright. A complimentary dinner of prime rib was served.

Past Governor Tony Gatowski and Past President of Carefree Kiwanis, Kathy Haugner. Kathy was the First woman to be voted president in our club in 2005.







Past Presidents and members with 25 years and above were recognized. Howard Dickie, John Dione, Sheryl Bell, and Joyce Jordon won the wine tower raffles.



Music by the Legends of Cave Creek afforded members an opportunity to "shake a leg" on the dance floor. It was a great evening of fellowship and remembering our Club over the past 50 years.

Linda Wright says, "We will do it again when we hit 75 years!"







## April Celebrations

3 <sup>rd</sup>	Frank Tyrol
15 <sup>th</sup>	Barbara Pearse
18 <sup>th</sup>	Pete Carpenter
21 <sup>st</sup>	George Hofer
21 <sup>st</sup>	Kevin Wilson
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Leigh Zydonik
24 <sup>th</sup>	Sherie Eschels
25 <sup>th</sup>	Darlene Carter
26 <sup>th</sup>	Renae Watkins
27 <sup>th</sup>	John Skarda
27 <sup>th</sup>	Brian Kunkel

## The Votes Have Been Cast and Here's Our Slate of New Officers

The Club appreciates those who counted ballots - Sheryl Bell, Kathy Haugner, Les Hardie and Pete Carpenter plus those who supervised and certified the March 29th election - Howard Dicke and John Skarda. The coming fiscal year, October 1, 2023, to September 30, 2024, Linda Wright will be Club President with Cam Kuniej President Elect. Newly elected Club officers filling retiring or new positions are Directors Steve Morse, Ed Edling, Geno Orrico, Paula Scully and Bob Moore. The Foundation Board will consist of Linda Wright, Cam Kuniej, Steve Morse, Ed Edling, Geno Orrico, Diane Dunseath, Barbara Pearse and Bob Moore. Thank you one and all for your dedication and service. That goes for those outgoing officers too. Every action is based on helping kids!

## P A R A D E



**Cave Creek Rodeo Days Parade** on March 18<sup>th</sup> kicked off a day long western atmosphere. Kiwanis Club of Carefree sponsored the Annunciation Catholic School to build our float. Later that day at the Cave Creek Arena Kiwanis sponsored Mutton Bustin'. Kiwanis of Carefree was on site handing out water bottles and popcorn.



## Pancake Breakfast Serves Up Food and Friends!





## A Letter of Thanks

I would like to thank Kiwanis and John Dionne for allowing our 2015 Girls soccer team to volunteer today at the Pancake Breakfast.

With your support this season, the girls have developed into a fine team and had amazing experiences using the technology your donation provided. Today was another great learning experience and a real confidence boost for the girls. We were very proud with the self-assurance they exhibited in volunteering to help - handing out plates and cutlery, clearing the tables and serving the patrons. The girls also collected over \$100 in gratuities they donated to the jar at the front of the event. This experience will last longer in their memories than any one of the 30 plus games they have played this season – we thank you.

I have attached a few photos the parents had taken today – and we made a post to the club's social media pages. We hope we have many more opportunities in the future to support Kiwanis of Carefree.

Regards,

Dave

David Newbery, Development Director & Coach 2012 Boys // 2015 Girls // 2016-17 Rising Stars, PRFC Youth Desert Foothills



Winter  
Found  
**It's Way**  
To Us!  
Here is  
Tonto Hills





## More Scenes from the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration







## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**Thursday April 6<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30 PM**  
**Mt. View Pub Outside on the Deck**  
**Appetizer Bar**  
**1 FREE Drink Ticket**  
**Bring a Guest, Promote Kiwanis**  
**Make New Friends!**



## April MEETINGS:

Be There!

**Wednesday, April 5th** - In honor of Easter, the Upscale Singers will perform.

**Wednesday, April 12** - Ralph Spurgin, a Kiwanian, will help us understand a Credit Bureau score and its importance

**Wednesday, April 19** - Sharon Pristash, Principal of Catholic Annunciation School

**Wednesday, April 26** – Kiwi Business Meeting, news from committees, Ted Talks and Birthday Gam

## Kiwanis Scholarship Awards Night Program

**May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023 starting at 6pm**  
**Cactus Shadows Fine Arts Center**

**We will award more than \$450,000 in college and trade school scholarships to 35+ deserving local high school seniors. Plan to attend to see, support and celebrate these students and their accomplishments!**

**June 21-24, 2023**  
**Kiwanis International**  
**Convention**

*Minneapolis, Minnesota*  
*Attend virtually or in person*

