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KIWANIS CLUB OF CAREFREE NEWSLETTER

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Welcome!

TAMMY MADDIX

Tammy has joined the Kiwanis Club of Carefree as our Part-time Administrative Assistant. She will work alongside Darlene in the office. Tammy is a volunteer at the Kiwanis Marketplace. She has been volunteering for over 2 years. She and her husband live in Scottsdale.

When you see Tammy, make sure to introduce yourself to her.



August MEETINGS

Be There!

August 7 - No Luncheon Meeting - Harold's is Closed

August 14 - Younglife Capernaum

August 21 - NAMI Valley of the Sun

August 28 - No Luncheon Meeting - Safe Travels for Labor Day



ENJOY THE SUMMER



Thank you, Tom P for this great picture!
We hope all of you that have traveled to cooler weather are enjoying your summer. We look forward to seeing you soon!



**SEND YOUR PICTURES TO
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WE WOULD LOVE TO SHARE THEM!**

A Big Announcement

MAJOR PROJECT COMMITTEE

We are proud to announce we are awarding two grants totalling \$200,000 this year! Our recipients are the Desert Hills Community School of Music and The Holland Center.

Partnering with Cactus Shadows High School and their certified teachers, **Desert Hills Community School of Music's** request was for new instruments, typically beyond the budget of most families, and for a portable recording studio for students to learn the technical skills required in creating unique music, music mixing, and recording of school music programs.

The Committee recognizes the need for greater support of local music education with the reduction in State funding for the arts and music, and was particularly focused on the importance of music in the holistic education of our students. Mathematics and music seem to be partners in life and the committee is hopeful that this music grant will add depth to the education of our children.

The grant to **The Holland Center**, a 15 year-old facility and recognized local institution in the community, supporting children, seniors, and a broad range of educational and arts activities, will provide for new carpeting, furniture, and fixtures, to make the center more inviting and accessible for seniors. In addition, The Holland Center will now be the venue for the neighbors of the Foothills Caring Corps, and The Committee supports the request of the Foothills Caring Corps to provide a social venue for home-bound senior activities.



These are exciting times with elections coming up! Please be mindful Kiwanis is a Social Club. According to our Club Mandatory (KI) By Laws: 3.6. This club may host activities to inform club and community members about matters of public interest. However, this club will not express any opinion or take any action regarding any candidate, legislation, or other matters of a political nature

Many Thanks

INSTITUTE FOR HEALING MEMORIES - MIKE WOLD

*I want to send you a personal thank you for generous donation for partial funding of the **Healing of Memories Workshop for Women Veterans** on November 15-17, 2024.*

We have been conducting this workshop at Spirit in the Desert Retreat Center since October 2013. Both the qualitative and quantitative evaluation results continue to be consistently positive with over 90% saying that the workshop was a good or excellent step in their healing journey. As you know many veterans have come back home suffering from the psychological and spiritual wounds of their military experiences. This is especially true of women veterans, many of whom suffer from the effects of military sexual trauma (MST). This workshop is one of the few in the country that deals with the purging of buried memories of pain that have been controlling many women veterans' lives. We know from the research that unless these wounds are healed, the person's family, especially the children, are affected negatively. In fact, the mental health and suicide rate for children of veterans with PTSD is much higher than the national average.

Because of your donation and that of other generous organizations and people, we are able to continue to offer this workshop free of charge to our women veterans.

SAGUARO CAMP CEDARBROOK - DAVID SCHOMAKER

We had an awesome 2024 camp! I wanted to thank you on behalf of all the campers, counselors, and leadership at Saguario Camp Cedarbrook (SCC) for your support! I've attached a video that expresses our appreciation of all you have done to enable our kids to attend camp. I hope you and your team enjoy it!

I thought you'd appreciate the message below from a parent whose child received a scholarship...

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We just wanted to send our deepest appreciation for giving our boys the opportunity to attend camp this past week. Please pass along our gratitude to those who so generously gave to your scholarship fund. It was the absolute best, first-time experience for our boys. They loved every minute of it! Paintball and archery were favorite activities and they said the food was "gourmet".

Thank you -- to ALL of you -- who served this week and made it such an amazing time for the kids. We are so thankful for all you have done for your campers and for our family.

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K-KIDS HIGHLIGHTS HORSESHOE TRAILS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

HoeDown Puppy Luv Adoption Event and Sponsor a Puppy Drive

4 dogs were adopted and we sold 48 of the 50 stuffed puppies. In all of our efforts this year, we donated \$670 to Puppy Luv.



101st Day of School Dollars For Dogs

Students can dress like a dog and bring in a \$1 donation for Puppy Luv Animal Rescue to celebrate the 101st Day of School.

They Collected \$300!



End of Year Breakfast Party

Last meeting honoring our President and Vice President. Every Member received a bookmark and pin.

In case you missed



Susan Stanton
Solutions 2 Soar
July 10



Tammy Buscher
Generations Home Care
July 17



Steve Greenberg
Harmony Hollow
July 24



Larry Key & Owen Pope
Kiwanis Marketplace Roadies
July 31

**YOU MUST BE
PRESENT TO WIN**

**50/50
WINNER**

MARK WOODS
July 17
\$126



Ed & Steve picking up a second batch of Kiwanis Wine



Kiwanis Glendale paid us a visit at the July 17 Luncheon



**MAJOR PROJECTS
GRANT RECIPIENT**

DESERT HILLS SCHOOL OF MUSIC

Tom P and Major Project Committee presented a check to the Desert Hills School of Music on July 31st.



MemberDay

We want to encourage our membership to utilize MemberDay, where our club and foundation bylaws, our board meeting minutes, and committee reports are now available for viewing

KNOWLEDGE AT YOUR FINGERTIPS!!

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NEED HELP?

Contact the Admin office. Darlene and Tammy can walk you through it! administration@kiwaniscarefree.org

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OFFICE HOURS: 9 AM - 3 PM MON-WED



Happy Birthday

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

2nd Julie Sallee

5th Glenn Fahringer

8th Craig Mathiesen

15th Ralph Spurgin

16th Chuck Maranto

22nd Bob Hesselgesser

23rd Greg Gardner

23rd Alicia Roberts

27th John Dionne

27th Lara Lewis

28th Biff Miller

31st Karen Mackiewich

GUEST SPEAKERS

★ **WANTED** ★

If you know of someone who would be a great speaker at a luncheon email Darlene Carter!

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