



DESERT SHORES SHORE TALK

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday December 31
New Years Eve

Tuesday, January 1
DSCA Office Closed

Wednesday, January 2
Lakes Committee Meeting

Thursday, January 3
Restate Committee Meeting

Wednesday, January 23
Board of Directors Meeting

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 DSCA Office (702-254-1020)
 Monday through Friday
 8am-4:30pm (closed 12-1)

**1st Annual
Desert Shores**

VALENTINE'S

Lantern Festival

**LOCATED AT LAKE LINDSAY ALONG
BREAKWATER & MARINER**

FROM 5:45 TO 7:00 PM

FEBRUARY 9TH

Lanterns will be on sale in the DSCA office prior to the event for \$10 each (check or credit card) AND the day of the event for \$10 (cash only)

this is an all ages event
with light refreshments
and music

LAGOON & PARK WINTER HOURS

THE LAGOON IS CLOSED UNTIL APRIL PARK, AND BOAT RENTALS ARE CLOSED UNTIL FEBRUARY 1ST

Desert Shores Community Association
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(Serves a two year term)

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BOARD MEETING CALENDAR

Board of Directors Meetings

Jan 23 & Feb 27 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

A unit owner has the right to:

- Have a copy of the audio recording, the minutes or a Summary of the minutes of the meeting distributed upon request and upon payment to the Association for the cost of making the distribution.
- Speak to the Board at the beginning and the end of each meeting.

**Sub-Association
Management Information**

Desert Shores Racquet Club

FCCMI 702-365-6720

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First Service Residential 702-791-5888

Diamond Bay

Terra West Property Mgt 702-362-6262

Harbor Cove

Level Property Mgt 702-433-0149

Pelican Point

Prime Community Mgt 702-869-0937

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Community Mgmt. Group 702-942-2500

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Message from the General Manager

**May the dawn of this New Year, bring new joys for you...
May your new year be blessed with peace, prosperity and happiness too!**

I certainly hope that 2018 was a great year for you and that 2019 tops that. For the Desert Shores community 2018 brought many exciting events and improvements, and 2019 will be no different. The staff and I look forward to serving you and continuing with 30 more years of Desert Shores being the premier place to call home in Las Vegas! Here are a few things to look forward to in 2019.

Projects Update

The lagoon playground is in the process of getting some much needed upgrades: a large shade awning and new rubber cushion surface, which will be completed by the time the park opens the first weekend in February. Lagoon Restrooms are another renovation project that has been approved and will begin in Late January or early February. This project will take approx. 30 days to complete and we'll post the actual start date on the website. It's important to mention that for those members that rent the clubhouse or use the park/boat rentals during the renovation, the regular restrooms will be completely closed off for use and there will be portable toilets available close by. The long-term landscape renovation plan, is proceeding with the next areas under consideration by the Board is Regatta Dr. and Soaring Gulls. Planning and design is underway and I'll keep you posted on any updates. Refresh cracked and faded logo signs throughout the community. The next lake wall/fence project coming in 2019 is around North Lake Jacqueline.

Upcoming Events

Coffee with the Manager is held monthly on the first Tuesday from 7:00-9:00 AM. January unfortunately fell on New Year's Day, so it will not be held in January and hope to see you on February 5th. During that time you can ask questions, bring up concerns or complaints or provide a compliment. Please stop by and say hi and have a cup of Joe.

I'm excited to announce Desert Shores' first ever Paper Lantern Festival in 2019. To celebrate Valentine's Day the DSCA Lantern Festival will be held Saturday, February 9, 2019 from 5:00-7:00 PM at the south end of Lake Lindsey on the Corner of Breakwater and Mariner.

Lindsey on the Corner of Breakwater and Mariner. 200 lanterns will be available for purchase for \$10 each and launched simultaneously at 5:45 PM. Bring your camera as you won't want to miss this event and 100% of all money collected will be used for DSCA fish stocking. Music & refreshments will be available for this memorable event and please see event ad in this issue of Shore Talk for more details. I hope to see you there.

Annual Meeting and Board Election

The annual member meeting and board election was held in November and first, I would like to congratulate Gail Qualey and Bill Smith for being elected to the Board of Directors, now serving a 2 year term. Second, I would like to thank all the candidates for stepping up and volunteering to serve on the board and a special thank you to all those that gave of their time to count the ballots, we could not have done it without you! Finally, on a personal note **A Very Big Thank You** to Caesar Casciola who has served on the board for 3 years and has served with distinction. It has been an honor working with you and I appreciate your professionalism and dedication to all things Desert Shores!

Online Newsletter

To provide more current information about what's happening in your community we are providing an online newsletter on alternating months that the printed newsletter goes out. If we have your email address you will be given a notice when the non-printed Shore Talk is posted on the website. Please help spread the word and provide us with your email address to get important updates and event notices.

See **GENERAL MANAGER**, continued on page 5

The Real (Estate) Facts

By Shirley Kelly-Harold

Thinking about buying a home or listing your current one? Whether you are considering a jump into the housing market or are just curious about what shape it's in, the following is a year-end review broken down by subdivision, for our Desert Shores homes based on 2018 closed escrows.

These sales are through The Greater Las Vegas Association of Realtors, Multiple Listing Service.

(Note: * indicates number of properties lakefront)

<u>Subdivision</u>	<u>Number of Homes</u>	<u>Average Sales Price</u>
Beachport	6	\$296,400
Biscayne Bay	6	\$353,750* 1
Crosspointe	6	\$282,500
Diamond Bay	2	\$525,000
Discovery Bay	11	\$438,055
Gulls Landing	5	\$366,380
Harbor Cove	8	\$482,969*1
Harbor Point	10	\$382,400
La Jolla Classic	16	\$409,250*3
Lakeshore	5	\$595,998*4
Moonlight Bay	8	\$320,556
Newcastle Est.	10	\$356,200
Pelican Point	3	\$578,300
Racquet Club	16	\$315,543*3
Reflections	4	\$321,700
Ritz Cove	6	\$752,000*4
Sage Pointe	8	\$304,413
Shoreline Est.	4	\$319,250
Spinnaker Cove	6	\$498,000*1
Tradewinds	6	\$287,643
Villa Collanade/VillaFinestra/ Coral Bay/	0	
La Jolla II	6	\$362,917
Desert Shores Villas	31	\$121,959
Mar-a-Lago	45	\$121,720

*We wish you and yours
a healthy, happy and
prosperous 2019
~ Jack & Shirley Harold*

LOCAL HOUSING MARKET UPDATE

The Greater Las Vegas Association of REALTORS® (GLVAR) recently reported that Southern Nevada home prices are leveling off, with more homes on the market and fewer properties changing hands.

GLVAR reported the median price of existing single-family homes sold during November 2018 through its Multiple Listing Service (MLS) was \$295,000, just short of October's median price of \$295,025, but still up 13% from \$261,150 in November 2017. Meanwhile, the median price of local condominiums and townhomes sold in November 2018 was \$164,000. That's down 5.2% from October 2018, but up 16.5% from the same time last year.

Local home prices have generally been rising since 2012, although they have not reached their all-time peak of \$315,000 in June of 2006. Local home prices hit a post-recession bottom of \$118,00 in January of 2012.

As always, we are happy to answer any real estate questions or provide information regarding Desert Shores or other Clark County properties. Phone: 702 498-2028 or Email: shirleyandjackharold@gmail.com

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Keeping up with communication?

Don't forget we have a whole lot of information posted to the Desert Shores website, such as upcoming events, notices, all of our documents, event calendar, account information in real time, and a lot of general information about Desert Shores. If you haven't already registered on the new website, what are you waiting for? All we need to get you set up is your email address and you'll receive a welcome letter allowing you to get registered. If you do receive a Robocall, Desert Shores is not trying to sell you something, but letting you know about an upcoming event or possible emergency. Remember, you can change your preferences on the website and choose either email or text (available in multiple languages) and not receive a Robocall.

Please register on the website or call the office to provide your email address so that we can notify you of important information and events.

www.desertshores.org

Do you have something to say? Want to recognize an accomplishment? Share a book review or a special recipe? Please send us your thoughts and ideas for the next Shore Talk to

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Assessment Payment Options

1. Mail payments to:
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Phoenix, AZ 85082-3485

Please remember to include your coupon and include your account number on the check

2. Automatic Payment Plan: Please complete the Automated Payment Plan form and either mail, deliver to the office or email with a voided check to:

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Las Vegas, NV 89128
finance@desertshores.org
3. Make a payment by e-check or credit card directly to the bank at: <https://cabpayments.mutualofomahabank.com/>

**Please note that the Office does not accept payments,
Thank You!**

Community Updates

CC&R and Bylaw Restatement Update and Next Steps

Progress continues to be made in the updating of Desert Shores CC&Rs and Bylaws. Desert Shores CC&Rs and Bylaws have not been updated since the inception of the community in 1988. The goal is to revise the documents to a contemporary state eliminating language pertaining to the development of Desert Shores, bureaucracy and enhancing the residential experience.

In the last year the Restate Committee, made up of Desert Shores residents, a board member, the association manager, and a legal representative when needed, have completed a working draft of the CC&Rs. The committee is now working to complete a working draft of the Bylaws. The goal of the committee is to complete the respective working drafts in early 2019. The drafts will be sent to the board for review, discussion, edits, and changes.

A key step to achieve restated CC&Rs and Bylaws will be obtaining more than 50% of Desert Shores' homeowners approving the changes in a ballot with a target date of the summer of 2019.

Changes to the CC&Rs and Bylaws are:

- To remove all language, actions, and procedures relating to property developers.
- To update the documents to be compliant to existing statutes.
- Request from residents changes to the capital approval hurdle and the authority of the board to execute unanimous consent without a meeting.

The committee and the board are targeting completion by the fall of 2019. If you have any questions please come to a scheduled board meeting and discuss the issues with the board.

Clubhouse Rentals - FAQ

2100 Square Feet, seats 100 (tables and chairs available for use)

Available from 10:00 AM to 11 :00 PM Sunday – Thursday 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM Friday & Saturday.

Members, guests, all personal property, and equipment must be out of the facility by the end time listed above.

Remember to begin your clean up of the clubhouse in time to meet the closing times

- A separate check must be given for the deposit payment. Rental fee can be paid by check/money order or credit card (fees apply)
- Reservations must be made in person at the DSCA office during regular office hours.
- Reservations are limited to DSCA residents only (must have DSCA ID Card)

RATES AND AVAILABILITY:

4 Hour Block between 8:30 AM-2:30 PM	\$175.00
6 Hour Block between 8:30 AM-2:30 PM OR 4:30 pm-11:00 PM	\$210.00
Full Day: 10:00 AM to close	\$250.00
Damage/Compliance Deposit:	\$500.00

Community Relations Meeting

The Community Relations Committee "CRC" meets the 1st Monday of each month to review ARC Applications submitted by a homeowner along with conducting CC&R violation hearings. Please submit a *complete* ARC application along with the \$10 fee by noon the Wednesday prior to the CRC meetings.

Submittal deadline - January 29th at 3:00 pm
CRC Meeting – February 4th at 5:30 pm

Landscape Talk

Why We Don't Plant Certain Trees in Las Vegas


Have you ever wondered what makes a plant or a tree thrive in Las Vegas and why sometimes it dies. Here are some reasons we shouldn't plant certain trees or plants in Southern Nevada:

The Century Plant is the only type of Agave that seems to do well in the Las Vegas Valley. The Agave plants attract a beetle that will kill them within a year or two of planting.

The Purple Plum Tree is seen all over the valley, but what some don't know is that they do fine when there is grass around them, but if you remove the grass or put in rocks they will get bores.

The same thing will happen to the Mimosa Tree and the Japanese Blueberry Tree. Another "favorite" is the Italian Cypress Tree: they get spider mites and will die one by one.

You can try to prevent this by applying herbicides every 6 months, but some like to simply enjoy the backyard landscaping without spraying a bunch of herbicides. Some of the Las Vegas and Henderson landscapers don't really follow the diseases, therefore it is recommended that you call your local Arborist to be sure before planting.



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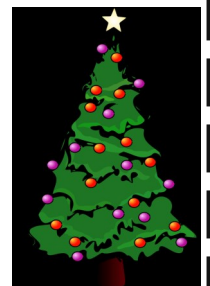
The hectic holiday season is here, and between all the shopping, baking, holiday parties and gift giving, there's a good chance many of us may overlook an important post-season task: What do we do with our live Christmas trees?

The Southern Nevada Christmas Tree Recycling Committee, comprised of government agencies, local businesses, non-profit organizations including the Southern Nevada Water Authority, Springs Preserve, UNLV, Star Nursery, Lowe's, Republic Services, Clark County, and the cities of Las Vegas, North Las Vegas, Henderson and Boulder City, is once again asking the community to recycle their Christmas trees.

To participate in this free program, simply take your Christmas trees to one of more than 30 drop-off locations (a full list is available at springspreserve.org) between December 26 and January 15.

Before dropping off your tree, please remove all nonorganic objects such as lights, wire, tinsel, ornaments and nails. Foreign objects contaminate the mulch and damage the chipper. Flocked trees cannot be recycled.

If you are unable to get your tree to a drop site, do not despair. 1-800-GOT-JUNK will pick up trees for \$30, and will clean up fallen needles. Call 1-800-GOTJUNK or visit 1800gotjunk.com



1st Annual Water Lantern Festival

The Lantern Festival is an evening filled with fun, happiness, hope, and great memories that you'll cherish for a lifetime. This family friendly event can be shared by everyone. Friends, families, neighbors, and people you haven't met can come together to create a peaceful, memorable experience.

The 1st Annual Desert Shores Lantern Festival is more than just an event, it's an experience. Everyone has different life circumstances and many are going through the same struggles and victories, heartfelt losses, and personal gains. These life-events and the emotions that go along with them make us human. Use the lanterns to write messages of hope, love and happiness and then cast them into the water and watch as your lanterns float along Lake Lindsay in the dark.



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Social Clubs

Wine Tasting Club

Will Meet January 24th (Thursday) at 6 PM

At the Desert Shores Clubhouse

This is a Happy Hour type event for Desert Shores residents and friends. Invite your neighbors and drop by to meet some new neighbors! There is no admission fee.

Everyone is asked to bring either an appetizer, wine, or ANY drink to share. We will provide plates, napkins, and wine glasses. More information? Contact George or Angie at:

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Desert Shores Gourmet Club

New Name, New email, New schedule

Starting in 2019 the Desert Shores Gourmet Club is changing its name to the Desert Shores Dining Club. The new email address is DSDiningClub@gmail.com

We will be meeting quarterly (March, June, September, December). Watch for updates on the Desert Shores website under announcements and in Shore Talk.



Marketplace

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Friendly Reminder!



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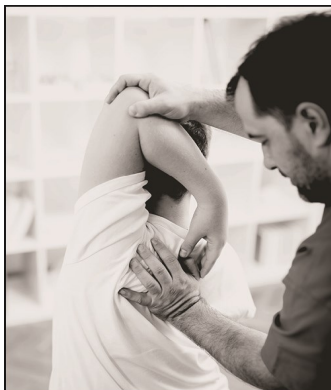
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Running your landscape irrigation system outside your
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fee or citation from the Las Vegas Valley Water District.

It's always a good idea to water less often than permitted
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		1 New Year's Day Office Closed	2 Line Dancing 12:00 pm Lakes Committee 5:30 pm	3 Restate 5:30pm Knitting Club 5:30 pm	4	5
6	7	8	9 Line Dancing 12:00 pm Diamond Bay 6:00 pm	10	11	12
13	14	15 Line Dancing 12:00 pm	16	17 La Jolla Classic 5:30 pm	18	19
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