

September

2023

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Monday-Friday

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

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www.fgmha.com

Deadline for submitting Newsletter items <u>September 23,</u> 2023

Anything turned in after that will be included in the next month's newsletter.

Please submit articles directly to the Office by flash drive or email to info@fgmha.org

Garden Whisper

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Board Meeting

September 13th

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September 27th 10am in the Clubhouse

President's Letter

Good Morning Florence Gardens – well, summer is still with us. I was up in Henderson, Nevada, last week and they did get some much needed rain and cooler temperatures. I had hoped it would follow me back – but, ??

As things were pretty quiet here last month, I did some traveling. I got to celebrate by grandson's 5th birthday up at Ft. Irwin in California; and last week, my granddaughter's 16th. We had fun cooking together and making some changes to her bedroom – great girl time.

September will start seeing the return of some of our summer travelers and with it a few more meetings and activities. One reminder and an invitation to the member workshop that will be held on Wednesday, September 13 where discussion will be held about some of the differences in our CC&Rs and Bylaws regarding some of our funding for Florence Gardens. Hope to see you there and WELCOME BACK to your homes here.

A Message From Your Manager

Fall is almost here! Here are several reminders. Storage space rental invoices went out in August. If you don't receive your bill within the first couple of weeks in September, please come in and see us or give us a call!

The new security system transition has begun, we are now giving out new key cards. When picking up key card(s) please bring your photo ID and each person on deed must come in to pick up their card. Per Rule 24 in the Rules and Regulations "one white proximity access card may be issued to each FGMHA member (person or representative of entity on the deed)". If you are away for the summer, you can stop by the office during business hours when you return to Florence Gardens and get your new key card(s). An email blast will be sent out to inform you all when the security system is completed. Please remember to carry your key card with you when accessing common areas as some doors that weren't previously locked may now be locked since security system is upgraded and working correctly.

Friendly reminder to update your mailing address to your most current mailing address as HOA statements and ballots for annual meeting will be sent out some time in January.

Casita Hermosa Lawsuit Update & Background Information

The Casita Hermosa lawsuit has been settled. Florence Gardens and Casita Hermosa have entered into a Settlement Agreement and an Amenities Access Agreement. At this time, both agreements are awaiting a judge's review and signature. In short, Florence Gardens has granted Casita Hermosa members access to its amenities in exchange for Casita Hermosa's payment of annual assessments to Florence Gardens. Judge William J. O'Neil of the Pinal County Superior Court determined that the agreements between Florence Gardens and Casita Hermosa are fair. Once the agreements are signed by the judge, copies of the agreements will be made available for inspection by any member upon request.

Casita Hermosa is a neighboring community with Florence Gardens. While the communities are in close proximity, there was no legal relationship between Casita Hermosa and Florence Gardens that established a "master and sub association" relationship. Periodically throughout its history, Florence Gardens permitted certain members of Casita Hermosa to access its amenities in exchange for payment. Beginning in 1985, Florence Gardens permitted "Associate Memberships" or "Social Memberships" for use of its amenities. By 2018, very few of the "Associate" or "Social" memberships remained or were utilized. In 2018, the Boards of Directors of Florence Gardens and Casita Hermosa met to discuss the relationship between the associations. However, the associations were unable to reach terms for a mutually agreeable relationship. As a result, in October of 2018, Florence Gardens sent a termination letter to Casita Hermosa, stating that anyone with access to the Amenities shall lose that access on December 31, 2018. Casita Hermosa filed its lawsuit against Florence Gardens in 2021. Ultimately, after the lawsuit was filed, the associations met for a Settlement Conference where Florence Gardens and Casita Hermosa agreed to resolve the case. Among other provisions, Casita Hermosa agreed to collect assessments from its own members and pay annual assessments to Florence Gardens in exchange for certain access to Florence Gardens' amenities.

Message from The Town of Florence Chief of Police

Hello everyone, I understand there are a lot of questions surrounding golf carts. First, I want to assure you our main objective is to keep our communities safe. By law, any vehicle operated on a public roadway must be registered and the operator must have a driver's license. Hopefully, you all have seen the flyer being circulated in the community discussing this requirement.

I want to assure everyone; management of this requirement is coming from me. I have been discussing law requirements with my staff regarding the use of golf carts in Florence Gardens since late last year. Frankly, the police department cannot hold people accountable for not following the laws that our citizens put in place, and I don't believe you all want us to do that.

I am asking you all to understand this is coming from a good place and we want to ensure all our citizens are safe whether in their homes or operating vehicles our roadways. We are implementing a 90-day education phase immediately, which will allow you all ample time to properly register your golf carts if they are being used on public roadways.

My apologies for any confusion, we simply want to keep those smiles on your faces and ultimately the community safe. We have been invited out to speak at an upcoming community meeting by your community manager about golf carts and I look forward to the conversation. Should you have questions please contact me or Commander Caldwell, at 520-868-7661.

Bruce Walls Chief of Police Florence Police Department (520) 868-7658 (Desk) (520) 251-1674 (Cell)



FLORENCE POLICE DEPARTMENT PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT



ATTENTION GOLF CART OWNERS

All golf carts operating on public roadways are required by State Law to be equipped with the following:

- Brakes (ARS 28-952)
- Two Headlights (ARS 28-924)
- Horn (ARS 28-954)
- License Plate Light (ARS 28-925.a)
- Taillights (ARS 28-925.c)
- Rear View Mirror as required (ARS 28-956)
- Reflectors (ARS 28-926)
- Brake/Stop Lights (ARS 28-927.b)



All golf carts operated on public roadways must be registered, insured, and operated by a licensed driver.

Golf Cart: A motor vehicle with an unladen weight less than 1800 pounds that is designed to drive less than 25 mph and hold less than 4 people

Golf carts are prohibited from being operated on the sidewalk

Golf carts cannot exceed 25 miles per hour and cannot be operated on roadways with a speed limit more than 35 miles per hour

> For questions, comments or concerns, please contact the Florence Police Department at 520-868-7681

BE SAFE, BE RESPONSIBLE

Annual Meeting Committee

A reminder to the September Garden Whisper readers, the FGMHA Annual Meeting is February 13, 2024.

A long time from now but not so for the committee members. We have to think ahead and some plans were started after the 2023 Annual Meeting.

However, we still need additional committee members and IDEAS on how you, as members, would like to see the Annual Meeting move forward; i.e. discussion, programs, etc.

Thank you for your consideration of both of these requests. If you have comments and/or questions, you may contact me via email, text or phone.

Judy Parsons, Annual Meeting Committee Chair judydennisp@gmail.com — phone 520-975-4120



Neighbors Helping Neighbors

The old men of Neighbors Helping Neighbors are still in business. Some new volunteers have arrived, and we hope to be providing service to the park for the foreseeable future. What we do is show up and perform unskilled assistance to neighbors who need to move a piece of furniture. We are not bonded, insured, certified, or compensated – but are happy to help, within the scope of our abilities. This said, we're not the crew you want if you're showing up with a moving van, or want to deal with something exceedingly heavy like a piano or large sleeper couch. If you have a big job that requires professional help, we recommend you take a look at Craig's List. Anyone looking for help is invited to call Mike Shevock at (603) 531-3320. Hopefully, your job doesn't have to be done immediately, as we need to schedule it when enough of us are not at the doctor's office or physical therapy. Also, in spite of numerous inquiries and requests, we have no plans of coming out with a Chippendale's style calendar with beefcake pictures of our star lifters. Should this change, there will be an announcement in the Garden Talk.



Activities Committee

September 12th
9:30am in the Conference
Room



Architectural Committee

@ 8:45 am in the Conference Room



Building Operations

Committee

September 25, 2023
@ 10am in the
Conference Room





Florence Gardens COMMITTEES

All members are invited to attend

Decorating Committee

September 12, 2023 10:30am in the Clubhouse



Documents Committee

No current scheduled meetings for September. Please Check the Weekly Reminders sent via HOAMCO Community Updates from the office for any Documents Committee meetings. There will also be postings on the Clubhouse Bulletin Boards if a meeting is scheduled.

Thank you. Judy Parsons, Documents Committee Chair

Finance Committee

Reserve Study Workshop

September 26th & 28th

10am in the Conference Room



Gardening & Landscaping Committee

No Meeting in September

Gardening & Landscaping Committee's tip: Many of you will be thinking about what flowers grow well in a Southwestern climate. Most of these are drought resistant, requiring little rain. The Top Ten are: Zinnas, globe amaranth, vinca, sunflowers, lisianthus, blue salvia, red salvia, black-eyed Susans, angelonia, and four o'clocks. For more information goggle: Growinginthegarden.com. This site will give you many tips on their planting and care! Have fun and enjoy gardening!





Welcoming Committee

No meetings scheduled for September, however, IF YOU are a new resident and have requested a visit and it has not yet happened, please contact me. We generally have 3 to 4 committee members here during the summer months, but not usually all at the same time.

Thank you.

Judy Parsons, Welcoming Committee
Chair

520-975-4120; judydennisp@gmail.com

Harvey Zilm Obituary

Harvey Bernard Zilm Jr was born April 10, 1927, in San Diego California to Harvey Bernard Zilm Sr and Edith Margaret Haller. Harvey had several occupations during his life including ranch hand, mechanic, fleet manager, and program manager for senior citizens. On his birthday in 1964, he was baptized a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. Harvey passed peacefully on August 17, 2023. He was preceded in death by his loving wife of fifty years, Betty Jensen Zilm, his son, Robert Zilm, his second wife Catherine Zilm, and his third wife Juanita Zilm. He leaves behind his daughter, Edith Nilsson (Nathan) and son, Richard Zilm (Sydna), seventeen grandchildren, fifty-three great-grandchildren, eight great, great-grandchildren, and numerous others who loved him

Harvey will be greatly missed. He was very active in the Florence Gardens Community including the Finance Committee. Thank you for all you did Harvey.



Volunteers of the Month

I would like to give a shout out this month to Darwin & Rita McKibbin. I am told that Darwin is the "go to" guy, helping David Donohew on several maintenance projects such as assembling bookcases for the Annex to whenever David needs a hand.

Rita is a member of the documents, decorating, and has also applied to be on the finance committee. She's always one of the first to volunteer where ever an extra hand is needed. She was instrumental in cleaning prepping and painting in the kitchen. Plus she bakes amazing bread and rolls that she donates each year for our Christmas Bazaar.

Thank you both so much for your service.

Submitted by Linda Rimmer

Committee Members Needed!!

Calling all Florence Gardens Members:

We are needing members for the following committees.

Finance

Maintenance

You can come by the office for the Application for Committee Membership.

Help make a difference in your community.



Annex Display Case

We are currently letting our members display their artwork in our display case in the Annex. You will have two months to have your items up.

If you are interested in showing off your work just come by the office and we will help you show off your items.

There are two shelves of space available.



FLORENCE GARDENS CRAFTS AND MORE SHOW

We are having our first show on October 21st. Sign up for tables begin July 3rd at the Florence Garden office.

Table will be \$10.00 each. Hurry and get your table, only 25 tables available.

Questions contact:

Diana Kohlerman 541-660-2807

Susan Weaver 503-710-8371

Sunday Worship Service

Start your day with
Say the Ward, Ruidoso"
with John & Shirley Compton

Every Sunday 9am to 10am

Beginning May 7 thru October 29

Florence Gardens Clubhouse



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THE FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH FROM 1-3 PM REGISTER AT THE FLORENCE GARDENS OFFICE FOR A 30 MIN. APPOINTMENT.

Fee: FREE

September Tech Time Canceled, next Tech Time is on October 6, 2023



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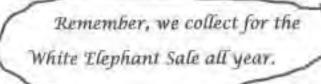
(Bring your own place setting & non-alcoholic beverage)

1st & 3rd Tuesdays of every month in FG Annex

Munching Starts at 4:15 - Program starts at 4:45

Hosts - Steve and Jeri Mertes - 480-200-2128 ***

*** WEATHER WATCH: Event may be cancelled due to extreme summer heat or monsoon warnings. Call for recorded message.





Please label the box "Fragile" if it applies. Label boxes that have Christmas and Thanksgiving items in them.

Sorry, but we cannot take mattresses, box springs, hide-a-beds, clothes, shoes, large appliances, TV's or their components. Everything electrical must be in working condition. Furniture must be in decent condition. It is a HUGE help and appreciated if the Sizes are marked on the bedding, table clothes and curtains.

Reminder We can store more items if they are packed in boxes with folding top or in totes, though we know this is not always possible.

If your furniture is not in decent condition, you can schedule Bulk Trash Pickup for the 2nd Monday of each month. www.florenceaz.gov/bulktrash

We are very appreciative for all your donations and help.

To have your donations put in storage call:

Sue Oslowski 520-307-0539 or Lew Dawley 425-328-8090

Bill Kohlerman 541-761-0256

WANTED and NEEDED

Volunteers to help occasionally pick up and put the donations in Storage.

We need some younger helpers.

(Helps if you have access to a truck or trailer or just work with someone that does.)



Join us for Share A Dish
Wednesdays in the
Clubhouse
All Summer
4pm to 6pm





WANTED: BINGO PLAYERS

WHEN: FRIDAY NIGHTS

WHERE: FLORENCE GARDENS
CLUBHOUSE

CARD SALES START AT 6:00 PM AND END AT 6:55 PM. GAMES BEGIN AT 7:00 PM.

MUST BE 18 OR OVER TO PLAY AND NO ALCOHOL IS ALLOWED.

PLEASE NO BILLS OVER \$10.00.





MONDAYS In the CLUBHOUSE from 4PM to 6PM

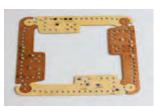
Please bring a snack to Share

BYOB Rules: 40oz of beer, 750ml of wine or 4oz distilled spirits



Thursdays at 12:45pm PM in the Annex

Have Questions? Please call Sandy Burrow: 480-688-6732 Nancy Stanton: 206-979-7175 Or Dana Jefferson: 520-631-0208



Pegs & Jokers
Tues. @ 1pm at the Annex
Questions call Diane Clein
206-427-1262



Buck and a Half

Saturdays @ 6:30pm to 9:00pm

In the FG Annex

For more info contact Vera Schell (520)483-3172 or Donna Pete (253) 867-5658

Florence Gardens BUNCO

Join us for BUNCO!

1st Monday of Every Month
Be there at 6:15pm,
play time starts at 6:30pm
Cost is \$6.00
Cash prizes!
Location is FG Clubhouse

If you would like to join us, ca



If you would like to join us, call Gaye Lewis 480-993-8757



Game "65" Wednesdays 1pm to 3:30pm In the Annex

Have Questions?
Please call

Nancy Stanton: 206-979-7175 Or Dana Jefferson: 520-631-0208



Come and join us, Thursday Nights at 6:30 PM in the Annex to play Wizard. This is a card game that is easy to learn.

Cost is \$.50

Everyone Is Welcome!

Contact Carol Byars @ 701-367-0572 for more info.





Shanghai

Florence Gardens
Annex

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Year Round Event
Bring your quarters
For more information contact
Donna Pete @ (253) 861-5658



Everyone Welcome!

WHEN: Monday - Friday

TIME: 7:30-8:00 AM

WHERE: Annex

For more information, contact Carol Byars @ 701-367-0572

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Where: Florence Gardens Lap Pool

For more information contact:

Marybeth Uran @ (715)222-9713

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WHEN: Mon - Fri

TIME: 8:30 AM (Summer)

9:00 AM (Winter)

WHERE: Big Pool

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For more info, contact Bobbie Schmisek

520-709-2527

Swimmercise

Florence Gardens Main Pool

8:00am - 9:00am

Year Round Event

For more information

Contact

Donna Pete @ (253)861-5658



Churches In The Area

Central Community Church of God

596 W Vah Ki Inn Rd. Coolidge

Pastor Larry Rice

Sunday Service 10:00 am

Wednesday Service 7:00 pm

Florence First Assembly of God

South of the "Y", Florence 868-4221

Rev. Steve Williams

Sunday School 9:30 am / Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 am

Sunday Evening Worship 6:30 pm

Wednesday Bible Study 6:30 pm

Calvary Chapel Coolidge

1920 W. Vah Ki Inn Rd., Coolidge, AZ 85132

Pastor Brad Jensen

Sunday Service 9:30 am

Prayer—Sundays @ 9:00 am

www.calvarycoolidgechurch.com

Union Baptist Church

640 E. 1st St. (at Phoenix St.),

Florence (also PO Box 2865) 868-4772

Pastor Donald Woolridge, 520-560-9159

Sunday School 10:30 am

Sunday Service 11:00 am

Florence Baptist Church

30 N. Willow, Florence 868-1728

Pastor Matthew & Edie Echols

Sunday School 9:00 am

Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 am

Sunday Evening Worship and Praise 6:00 pm

Wednesday Prayer and Bible Study 6:00 pm

www.florencebaptistchurch.com

Desert Hope Presbyterian Church

225 E Butte Ave., Florence 868-5834

Rev. John Johnson

Worship Services 10:00 am

Fellowship time to follow

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

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(1st building just south of the Florence High School

Bishop: Preston Dees

First Counselor: Ben Cook 480-202-2180
Second Counselor: Cody Carpenter 520-251-1551
Sunday Sacrament Meeting 9:00 am
Sunday School and Primary Meeting 11:30 am



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Tuesdays 5pm

Holy Day Mass - check with church for times

St. Michael's Episcopal Church

800 W. Vah Ki Inn Rd., Coolidge

723-3845 The Fr. Philip Stowell

Sunday School 9:00 am/ Church Services 10:00 am

Christ Lutheran Church

615 Vah Ki Inn Rd., Coolidge 723-7428

Pastor Mark Hoffman

Service at 9:00 am Sunday

Gila River Chapel Church

Services in Caliente Clubhouse

3543 N Caliente Blvd.

Begins: First Sunday in November 9:00 am

Spirit of Joy United Methodist Church

392 W. Roosevelt Ave., Coolidge 602-619-0233

Pastor Tracy Perry Sunday Services 9:30 am

First Southern Baptist Church of Florence

355 S Main Street, Florence 858-663-4439

Pastor Justin Warren

Tuesday Ladies Bible Study 9:30 am

Thursday Morning Hospitality @ 9am / Bible Study @ 930 am

Worship Service 10-11 am

Sunday Bible Study 9:45 am

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Pastor Mark Chase Phone (520)723-4220

Website www.christthevictor.net

Fairhaven Baptist Church

7886 E. Highway 287, Coolidge

Pastor Jeff Gatten 723-1837

Sunday School @10:00 am

Sunday Morning Service @ 11:00 am

Sunday Evening Service @ 5:30 pm

Wednesday Evening Service @ 7:00 pm

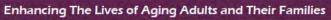
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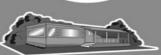
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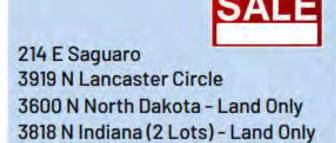
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\$55,000	\$5,500	\$27,500	\$11,000	\$100,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	5303
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	SOLD	323 WASHINGTON	\$205,000	2 bedrooms, 2 bath condo, furnished, views!
	ACTIVE	3707 N. IOWA AVE	\$269,000	Beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bath home on 2 lots! Gorgeous landscaping, split floorplan, furnished, large shop!
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	NEW LISTING	3916 N. COLORADO AVE.	\$63,900	1.5 lots with views, beautiful lot.
	NEW LISTING	3718 N FLORENCE BLVD	\$49,000	Great lot with views! All utilities to the property!
	NEW LISTING	3611 N ILLINOIS	\$279,000	2 Lots, beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 1905 sf partially furnished large shop
	NEW LISTING	3802 N KANSAS AVE	\$229,900	Very Sweet 2 bedroom, 2bath furnished property with Arizona room. Fenced yard, large shed
	NEW LISTING	3808 N COLORADO AVE	\$220,000	This home is on 1.5 lots on the golf course. Partially furnished, being sold in A5 I5 condition. 2 bedrooms plus den, 2 baths. Fireplace in family room, 1648 sf, screened in porch.
-	NEW LISTING	3713 N MONTANA AVE	\$245,900	Furnished 2 bedrooms, 2 bath home, 1344 sf, plus Arizona room, New flooring, wood laminate.
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PREP TIME COOK TIME TOTAL TIME 10 minutes 20 minutes 30 minutes



INGREDIENTS

- 2 acorn squash (small to medium sized)
- ¼ cup extra-virgin olive oil.
- 1 cup finely grated parmesan cheese
- · 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- ½ teaspoon kosher salt
- ½ teaspoon dried basil
- ½ teaspoon dried thyme
- ½ teaspoon dried oregano

INSTRUCTIONS

- Preheat the oven to 425°F (220°C). Slice the top and bottom of the squash, then place it on a flat end and slice it in half. Scoop out the seeds with a spoon, then slice each half into slices about 1-inch thick.
- Add the squash to a large mixing bowl along with the oil, parmesan, garlic, salt, basil, thyme, and oregano.
 Use your hand to toss the ingredients together, until well mixed.
- Place the squash slices on a parchment-lined baking tray. If there's extra parmesan herb mixture in the bowl, just press that onto the top side of the slices. Bake for 20 to 25 minutes, until soft and lightly golden on top.
- 4. Transfer the roasted acorn squash to a serving platter and enjoy!



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17	18 Happy Hour 4pm CH	19	20 Share-A-Dish 4pm CH	21	22 Bingo 7pm	23 Saturday Morning Coffee & Donuts 7am CH
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September 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12 Activities Committee Meeting 9:30am CR Decorating Comm Meeting 10:30am CR	13 Board Meeting 10am CH	14	15	16
17	18 ARC 9am in CR	BOC Comm Meeting 10am CR	20	21	22	23
24	25	26 Reserve Study Workshop 10am CR	27 Board Meeting 10am in CH	28 Reserve Study Workshop 10am CR	29	30