HAPPY NEW YEAR!

**WELCOME NEWCOMERS PARTY** will be Saturday, January 26 at 1 pm in the Mesa East Clubhouse. All residents, including new owners and renters, interested in information about the different clubs we have to offer are invited to attend. Each club will be represented. The party is hosted by the Ladies Club and the Mens Club. There will be refreshments and door prizes to give away. It is requested that you RSVP by Wednesday, January 23rd to Shirley Brewer at 480-747-8472.

**ARCHITECTURAL CORNER:**
I hope everyone had a great holiday and hope you received what was on your Christmas list. I am happy to report the world didn’t end so the weeds are still going to grow. Please attend to them as soon as they poke their little heads up.
We have had a lot of sales this year and that means lots of new people moving in to our community. Please make them welcome.
The Christmas lights are/were beautiful. I enjoy them as I drive around, which I do every few nights. If any of you walkers notice anything unusual, please call the police. We had quite a few break-ins this year. Thank you for keeping your yards neat and clean.

Joann Van Kirk, Chairperson
480-292-9121 or 480-580-3202

**PENCILS & PIGMENTS CLUB:**
Club meetings are Thursday mornings from 9 am to noon. We paint, draw and etch. Come join us and create while enjoying time together. Come to a meeting or call Carolyn Schmidt at 480-836-0632 if you have questions or want to find out more about us. Anyone interested in transparent watercolor classes, call Joni Anderson at 480-832-1953.

**SKIPPERS & DIPPERS & ZUMBA:**
The third water aerobics class will begin the second week of January, Mon – Wed – Fri, 4 pm to 4:45 pm. Ella Dykas is the leader. All men and women welcome.

Margaret Williby

**SHUFFLEBOARD:**
New officers: Dennis Smith, President
Bob Duncan, Vice President
Shirley Brewer, Secretary/Treasurer
Our next monthly meeting is Wednesday, January 2nd at 9 am. Every one is welcome. We meet every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9 am. Don’t be afraid to lose; 50% of us lose every time we play and it is all fun, win or lose. If you would like to learn the game in private, call Dennis at 480-699-4578.
The golf cart parade, as always, was great fun for those who participated. This year was the largest group ever and we all shared in the Christmas spirit with the community. We hope the residents enjoyed parade. Thanks to all who joined in and prepared food that was enjoyed after the parade.
Reminder: league starts Friday, January 4th, at 9 am.
Thanks to Ron Brewer for the years he has given to the shuffleboard as president.
Dennis Smith, President
LADIES CLUB:
We have installed new officers for the year:
   President, Joann VanKirk,
   Vice President, Bev Ripley
   Secretary, Shirley Brewer
   Treasurer, Carnella Towne

Congratulations to the new officers. Thank you to Pat Spencer and the outgoing team for a well done year.

Date Change: We will be taking down the Christmas decorations January 3rd, Thursday, at 9 a.m.
Bunco will be January 10th and January 24th at 1 pm. A donation of $3.00 to play with money paid back in prizes.

Our card party is Friday, January 11, at 12 noon. A lunch will be served by Sheran McCain and her crew, followed by any game you wish to play: cards, dominos, bunco, board games, etc. The charge will be $5.00 and must be paid before Wednesday, January 9th, so we know how much food to prepare. Sign up and get tickets at the office or from Shirley Brewer.

A potluck will be on Friday, January 18, at 5:30 pm. Please bring a large dish to pass along with your place setting. The entertainment will be the San Tan Swing Trio, with big band sounds of Glen Miller, Count Basie, Frank Sinatra, Duke Ellington and more. The Ladies Club and entertainment committee work very hard to bring fun and entertainment to our community. Unfortunately, our budget never meets the financial needs of our entertainers. When the basket is passed for donations to off set the Ladies Club costs, most couples are giving $1.00! Please consider a lovely dinner and a show is surely worth more than one dollar. The last potluck cost $250.00 and we only collected $129.00. If we can’t meet our costs, we can’t continue to have entertainment. Your generosity is appreciated and needed.

Ladies Club meetings are always held on the third Monday of the month. The next meeting is January 21 at 1:30 pm. All ladies of Mesa East are welcome. We have no dues.

The Welcome Newcomers Party will be January 26th at 1 pm. Invitations will be sent to all the new homeowners within the last year. Everyone is invited but we must have an RSVP by January 23rd to know a count. Please RSVP to Shirley Brewer.

Shirley Brewer 480-747-8472

MEN’S CLUB:
A pancake breakfast will be January 5th, 7:30 am to 9:00 am. A $4.00 donation will give you a great breakfast.
New officers are:
   President, Glen Bowen
   Vice President/Secretary, Ron Brewer
   Treasurer, Ken Yanchik

Thanks to Paul Coking as outgoing president.
The men will be helping the Ladies Club take down the Christmas decorations Thursday, January 3rd at 9 am. We will be putting up the fruit baskets near the middle of January and will start picking shortly after that. Please do not bring fruit until the baskets are put up. Donate them to a church or food bank.
The Mens Club will be helping the Ladies Club with the Welcome Newcomers Party Saturday, January 26th at 1 pm. Invitations will be sent to all new homeowners. All residents in Mesa East are welcome to attend. We need to have your RSVP by January 23rd. Please RSVP to Shirley Brewer or the office.
Our next meeting is Tuesday, January 15, at 9 am. All men of Mesa East are invited to come. No dues.

Don’t forget to support your MEPOA officers. Nominations will be January 19th at the Annual Meeting.
Election of the officers is Tuesday, January 29th. Please volunteer for a director or other office.
LINE DANCING
Line dancing classes, with Gramma Jones, started in November and are held in the main hall Wednesdays from 9:30 am to 10:30 am.
Beginner, intermediate and advanced are welcome. The cost is $3.00 per person each class. Classes run November through March. Kathy Soltis 480-588-7854

QUILTING/SEWING:
We meet Tuesdays of each month. The first Tuesday of the month we meet a 9 am until 2 pm. We assemble quilts for “The New Leaf”. These are for group homes in Mesa for different areas of our population that need help. Many of our quilts go to the Abused Women area with their children. We have a potluck dinner. The second Tuesday of the month, we cut kits to take home and sew the tops of the quilts. The other Tuesdays we meet with ‘show & tell’, demos, etc., for ideas for gifts and quilt ideas.

We met Dec. 4th for our quilting bee. We assembled about 30 quilts that are ready to tie. We drew for the winner of the raffle and the lucky winner was John and Carolyn Baune. We thank Florence Quaintance for the beautiful door hanger and all those who purchased raffle tickets. We were in dire need of backing fabrics so we were able to purchase more fabric. This fall we turned in 59 quilts, 26 pillow cases, 1 knit throw, 11 handmade animals, 6 caps & scarves and 1 knit cap.

We had our annual Christmas party on Dec. 11 at Crackers. We enjoyed a tasty luncheon and Shirley Brewer had several gifts to give to our members. We met again on the 18th when we made fabric Christmas balls, led by Shirley Brewer.

We are always coming up with new projects, so it is a fun time to come and see the many ideas our quilting group has. We welcome new people. We have a great group of ladies that are willing to give of their time.

COMPUTER CLUB:
The next meeting is Monday, January 7th at 10 am in the main hall. The main topic for this meeting will be Windows 8 and will be presented by Serving Online Seniors (S.O.S.). This is a great opportunity to see the difference between the old and new systems. There will be a question and answer period for issues you are having.

Reminder: the fee for the 2013 WiFi is $40.00. The fee for the Computer Club is $10.00 for a single and $15.00 for a family. Fees are due during the months of January and February. Payment can be made at the office with checks payable to Mesa East Computer Club.

Joe Soltis 202-844-2076

WI-FI NEWS
Because of overwhelming inquires, the new tower that was installed was filled up in two weeks. As of now we have five towers running with about forty people on each tower. This appears to be our limit and we have decided to stop any new sign up’s. Anyone presently on the list will remain on the list. Until further notice, we will not be adding anyone.

Joe Soltis 202-844-2076
FROM THE OFFICE:

WELCOME TO OUR NEW RESIDENTS:

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SYMPATHY TO FAMILIES OF:

Annella Welsh, former resident

NAME TAGS READY FOR PICK UP IN THE OFFICE:

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SKAMPERS

Happy New Year to all. We Skampers love to camp out with present and new friends at least once a month and even more if there is a good campground and a good time to be had. Our bulletin board at the clubhouse lists our campouts for this season and sometimes there are pictures of the festivities. Brady and Julia Morgan are our hosts for the January outing in Quartzsite. Dates are January 22, 23 and 24. All Skampers should receive an itinerary from the Morgans. If not, contact them at 480-807-3868. We will have a delicious continental breakfast and a potluck. Two happy hours that are scheduled will start our evenings right. Please RSVP to the Morgans if you wish to attend. Mark your calendars for Feb. 8 at 12 noon for our potluck for nomination and election of officers for the 2013-14 season. Please come with a dish to pass. Gwen Osborne, Secretary

SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITIES:

When you see something happening out of the ordinary in the community, please call the police IMMEDIATELY (480-644-2211 or 911). Do not call the office first. The police need to be notified immediately, and they need to talk to the person who is observing what is going on.

2013 DUES PAYMENTS: Remember that you will be required to present a photo ID picture starting this year for all the residents of your home when you pay your 2013 dues. This was voted in last year for security purposes.

CHARTER GROUPS:

Reminder that all charter groups must turn in a financial report to the office for the 2012 calendar year. If you did not take in or spend any money, you still must turn in a financial sheet stating “none”. Financial forms are available in the office. Also, please turn in a list of new officers for the 2013 year.

CARD GAMES:

Three people are playing the game “Sheepshead” on Wednesday, 7 pm. All are welcome.

From the Red Mountain Senior Center and The New Leaf:

A huge thank you was sent to us for the large amount of food and other items donated.
Dance Club
Wow, what a great month it was! We had karaoke and had a super turn out and the dance on the 12th was also super. Both events was enjoyed by all that attended.

Why don’t you give it a try and show up….you just might enjoy the events.

The New Years Eve dance will start about 8:30 pm and end at midnight. We will have a buffet around 11 pm.

On January 25 we will have a ‘fifties’ dance. We will have a prize for the best dressed couple, so come dressed for the ‘50’s’ and dance into memories.

Thank you to all who helped before, during and after the dance. You reinforced in me the meaning of team work.

Joe Schmalz, President