

Desert Cove Homeowners Association

President's Report Annual General Meeting September 29th, 2026

It has been my pleasure to serve as your president over the past 5 years. As always, time seems to go quickly, and as we look back, we have been busy over the last year.

I am honored to work with such a great team of fellow board members. I am always impressed by their hard work and dedication in doing what they can to make Desert Cove a great place for all of us. Although it may not be always visible, there is an enormous amount of work that goes on behind the scenes on an on-going basis.

We currently have:

- **808 Residents**
- **648 Active DCHA Members**
- **34 Non-Active Members**
- **85% of Residents are DCHA Members**

Board accomplishments of note:

- At the last AGM, we presented our "big cheque" to the Vernon Jubilee Hospital and this is always a proud moment for Desert Cove.
- In October 2025, the Annual Flu Clinic was held. Approximately **200** residents received their shots, down slightly from the previous year. The process was very smooth, with very little wait times. Our clinic this year is scheduled for **Wednesday October 14th**, and the Pharmacists will be offering COVID shots as well. We have extended the clinic time until 2:00^{pm} to accommodate the extra shots. The date is always dependent on if the shipment has arrived.
- November was Remembrance Day. Over **125** residents attended the personalized ceremony and the feedback was very positive. We are looking forward to another lovely ceremony this year.
- December brought our annual Christmas Dinner, with approximately **175** attending over 2 nights. A great time of fellowship, entertainment and the most fun was the snowball fight at the end of the night! We are bringing in a **new caterer** as well as doing something a bit different this year; more to come on that later.
- April was a busy month with the DCHA's bi-annual inventory. This is a huge job which includes counting our assets and cleaning all our storage areas. What in the past has taken about two days to complete, I'm proud to say, was done in one day. Our team knew exactly what they needed to do and worked like a well oiled machine.
- April 25th the board hosted a "thank you" pancake breakfast for our volunteers. Approximately **43** volunteers attended and thoroughly enjoyed their meal. *Desert Cove would not be the active community that we are so well known for if it wasn't for the time and dedication of our volunteers. It was a pleasure to recognize and serve them.*
- As usual, the Garage Sale in May was a beautiful day and huge success! Approximately **115** registered garage sales, **750** maps handed out, which were gone by 12:30 and the bake sale sold out by 11:00
- A reminder that we have the Holiday Market coming soon so mark your calendar. This is another great fundraiser for the DCHA.
- And August 1st, a day we won't likely forget soon, our evacuation! We are working on compiling the results of the survey which will be coming out very soon.

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- As with any organization, recruitment of new board members is an ongoing endeavour for the board, along with ensuring new board members are provided the training and support they require.
- Also on-going is our regular meetings with Management, Administration and Maintenance, introducing and following up on matters important to Covians.

The Director reports will provide more specific details on the board's achievements over the last year.

Our intention is to keep you (our members) in the loop with items of importance to you. Please feel free to reach out to us if you have any concerns or questions.

We are looking forward to another full and active year ahead!

Respectfully,

Marilyn Richardson

DCHA President