

Desert Cove Homeowners Association

President's Report Annual General Meeting September 17, 2024

It has been my pleasure to serve the membership as president over the past three years. As always, time seems to go quickly, and we have accomplished quite a bit in the last year.

I continue to be impressed with my fellow board members; at their hard work, dedication and focus on doing what they can to make Desert Cove a great place for all of us.

Although it may not be visible to everyone, there is an enormous amount of work that goes on behind the scenes. Along with the many events that the board either hosts or is involved in, the board is in contact with each other often, typically meets once a month for a couple of hours as well as in touch with Administration and Management on an on-going basis.

We currently have:

- **805 Residents**
- **724 DCHA Members**
- **90% of Residents are DCHA Members**

Board accomplishments of note:

- Flu Clinic October 2023. **179** people received their shots. We are planning to hold another this fall and will schedule the visits a bit closer together to allow for more folks to attend.
- Remembrance Day. A very personalized ceremony with approximately **105** in attendance. We are looking forward to another lovely ceremony this year. We have purchased a new wreath from the legion.
- Our presentation to the Vernon Jubilee Hospital in November was a proud moment for Desert Cove and our donation amount keeps growing thanks to all those who contribute, so keep those bottles coming. Covians donated **\$9500** in recyclables this year!
- In December was our annual Christmas Dinner. **180** folks attended; we anticipate another successful dinner this year.
- In March, the board conducted the DCHAs biannual inventory. This is a huge job. It involves cleaning out our storage areas, counting all our assets, disposing or repairing of damaged items, purchasing of new items if required, and updating our asset values.
- April 13th, we ran our first FireSmart presentation, thanks to Maurice from OKIB and Dan from FireSmart BC. **60** people attended and I believe we all learned something new about how we can protect our homes and community.
- April 20th the board hosted a thank you breakfast for our volunteers. 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.
- In May a Popcorn Machine was generously donated to the DCHA. It has been used a few times and the feedback has been great. We are hoping to use it more regularly in the future as a fundraiser.
- The old piano has found a new home. It was gifted to a young lady who couldn't afford to buy one. Once again, Covians came together and delivered to her home.

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

Our intention is to keep you in the loop with items of importance to you as DCHA members and Homeowners, please feel free to reach out to us if you have any concerns or questions.

If you have a specific topic you wish to discuss with the full board outside of these General Meetings, we invite you to reach out to us as well.

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

Respectfully,

Marilyn Richardson

DCHA President