

Desert Cove Homeowners Association

President's Report Annual General Meeting September 30th, 2025

It has been my pleasure to serve as your president over the past 4 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:

- **809 Residents**
- **616 DCHA Members**
- **67 Non-Active Members**
- **84% of Residents are DCHA Members**

Board accomplishments of note:

- Our presentation to the Vernon Jubilee Hospital is always a proud moment for Desert Cove and our donation amount keeps growing thanks to all those who contribute, so keep those bottles coming.
- Flu Clinic October 2024. **220** people received their shots, the most we have accommodated to date. We experienced some wait time challenges and will tweak the process a bit for this fall. We have received word from the Pharmacists and our clinic will be scheduled for **Thursday October 16th** providing they have received their shipment.
- Remembrance Day. Over **100** residents attended the personalized ceremony and the feedback was very positive. We are looking forward to another lovely ceremony this year.
- December was our annual Christmas Dinner, with great attendance, **180** folks attended over two days. We are looking at a different caterer as well as doing something a bit different this year; more to come on that later.
- April 12th the board hosted the annual thank you luncheon 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. I would also like to recognize:
 - Doug MacGregor and our fellow Covians who dedicated so much time and effort at the Okeefe Ranch this summer.
 - Brian Richardson for all his time getting our new sound system installed as well as the support he provides to event coordinators ensuring the system works for them.
- Rhonda and I led the Garage Sale Team this year, and as usual, it was a big success!
 - Approx. 120 registered garage sales.
 - 600 maps printed and were gone by 10:30.
 - Baking items sold very quickly
 - Shoppers enjoyed approx. 630 hotdogs along with fresh popcorn, chips and drinks.
 - **\$3400.00 profit**
- A reminder that we have the Holiday Market coming soon so mark your calendar. This is another great fundraiser for the DCHA.

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- As with any organization, recruitment of new volunteers is an ongoing endeavour for the board, along with ensuring new board members are provided the training and support they require. This year was busier than usual, with the transition of a number of board members.
- The Board's on-going meetings with Management, Administration and Maintenance was also more intense this year based on some of the issues we were facing (i.e. Fire Protection)

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