

Goldfield Ranch Homeowners' Association

Newsletter

February 16, 2011

Annual Membership Meeting: **Mark your calendars and plan to attend our GRHA Annual Meeting on Monday, February 28th at 7 p.m.** It will be at David Smith's Gunsight Pass Church! A flyer has recently gone out per e-mail and one is also posted on our message board by the mailboxes. The flyer shows the agenda topics. All 2010 GRHA members will be able to vote on dues for this year and also confirm new Board Members for this year. Contact Chris at 480-235-5450 or Janet at 623-261-5164 if you need a proxy form.

This year there will be 3 vacant seats on the Board. And we have 3 Goldfield Ranch residents who have volunteered to fill those positions. Since you may not know them each personally, they have shared the following information about themselves.

David L. Dudgeon: *Dottie and I have lived in Goldfield for 7+ years. I am a retired Pediatric Surgeon (May, 2011) after 35 years of Academic and Private practice. We have previously lived in several areas of the country and moved here from Cleveland, Ohio. I have not previously served on a homeowners' board but have had significant administrative experience both in medical and nonmedical organizations. I feel that Goldfield Ranch residents enjoy a great home and social environment but it could be improved. I would consider it an honor to serve on this board.*

Jodi Storms: *In August 2009, we moved to Goldfield Ranch from Suffern, NY, a nice town about 45 minutes Northwest of NYC. My mother has lived in Fountain Hills for the past 20 years. We always thought it was a nice place to visit. So in 2001 we purchased land in Goldfield Ranch. We knew this is where we wanted to raise our son Kyle (now 12). We put the wheels in motion and planned our exit strategy from NY.*

I am an accountant by trade. I spent the last 24 years working for a property management firm in NY. I was the controller/CFO of Arco Management. We managed over 10,000 housing units from HUD subsidies units to homeowner association to commercial shopping centers. I was responsible for the accounting department and books and records of over 125 corporations and 10 management companies.

For the 1 1/2 years I have been telecommuting to my half of my old job in NY. My boss and I sat down and split the work up. He hired a new controller and I kept 35 companies and the 10 management companies. I maintain the general ledgers and monthly financial reporting requirements all from my desk in my house. It is so cool that the technology today has allowed me to do what I love and live where I want. I just love the view from my desk!

I enjoy golf and playing BUNCO! It has been nice making new friends here in Goldfield Ranch. But most of all it is nice to be close to my mother again. To see her and my son Kyle develop a new relationship has been priceless.

With my newfound freedom and flexible hours, I find I have more time to get involved. I would like to make a difference in our Goldfield Ranch community. Thank You.

Wendy Zollars: *My family (Tom and Isabella) and I have owned property in Goldfield Ranch for about 14 years and we were finally able to move to Goldfield Ranch in November 2009. I am an Arizona native and have*

always enjoyed Arizona's beauty so living out in Goldfield Ranch is truly marvelous as well as a dream come true. Everyone is so nice and we felt very welcome right from the beginning!

I have an education degree from ASU and worked as a collections department trainer for Bank One for a number of years. I worked for Bank One for over 10 years. In 1998, I left the bank and started working with my husband Tom. We own and operate Superior Process Services, Inc. which is an attorney and collection support service business. I manage one office employee and five process servers.

I would enjoy serving our community in any way possible in order to continue the wonderful comradery we share.

So come on out on the 28th and meet these three generous people who are offering their time and talents to serve on our GRHA Board of Directors.

Thank You: A great big "thank you" to the 17 neighbors who helped out in our annual clean-up day. Our morning started out at the East entrance with coffee and doughnuts served by the refreshment lady Phyllis Kern. We had a chance to visit, get our assignments and off we went to our chores. It was amazing to hear all the reports of how many bags of trash were collected and even some of the unusual things found. Did anyone lose a pair of jeans? And Mike Sierks informed us all that Bud Light is the most popular beer can to be found here. The roadsides of Goldfield Ranch look great! Thanks volunteers! And thanks to all of our walker/joggers who frequently pick up trash when they are out and about.

Dogs: On another note, dogs. Dogs are an important part of our lives here in Goldfield Ranch. They are companions and pets, and also provide a measure of security out here in the boonies. The ideal watchdog is suspicious without being aggressive. We've had a few cases now of dogs coming off-property and menacing walkers, joggers, ATVer's and horse riders. That's going to cause some problems if it continues. A dog bite can hurt neighborhood relationships as well as your leg. Keep an eye on your dogs.

Good news: On February 10th, at a County Planning and Zoning meeting, an amendment was approved to its zoning ordinance. The ordinance previously required that before a road can be improved, every adjacent lot must be in full compliance with the zoning ordinance, the hillside ordinance and the building codes. This seemed like an impossible and expensive requirement to meet. The approved amendment says that the department shall only require a zoning clearance for the **area located within the boundaries of the easement**. This may reduce some of the expense and delays that our GPOA is experiencing in trying to get our dirt roads improved!

Pizza: Don't forget that Geno Mei is selling his world-famous pizza here at GR! Give him a call at 480-710-7206 or e-mail him at genomei@agilebroadband.com to ask any questions and to order your pies!

Benefit Golf Tournament/Silent Auction: Al Glenister recently sent out a notice to everyone about the Goldfield Ranch Volunteer Fire Department's fund raiser, and he asked that we remind you about this event. Funds raised will be used primarily to send GRVFD volunteers to training later in March. This is not only a golf tournament but also a silent auction so you don't have to be a golfer to participate. This event is planned for Saturday, March 5th at Mountain Brook Golf Club in Gold Canyon. The address is 5783 S. Mountainbrook Drive. The tournament starts at 8 a.m. The silent auction will be set up and operational before the golf begins, and bidding will close around 1 p.m. Food and drinks will also be available. Al says that there are some great items up for auction and that he is looking for more including some from GR residents. He is planning on getting some music and sports memorabilia too. See the attached list of items that have been donated for auction so far.

Get in touch with Al, glenister_alan@yahoo.com or 602-803-9241, if you have any questions, if you have an auction item to donate, or if you need a tournament entry form. The deadline to sign up for golf is Feb. 25th so hurry if you want to enter.

Hope to see you all at the GRHA meeting on February 28!

Items to be auctioned:

***1. Feeling Fit and Fabulous** donated by Dean and Eden Millsap (large oblong light blue bucket being provided to use in lieu of basket)

Contents: iPod Nano, Step and Distance Pedometer, Yoga Mat, Pilates Fitness Band, Wrist/Ankle Weights, Simply Pilates Book and DVD, Walk at Home/Walk Slim DVD, Pocket Size Diet/Food Journal, Hot/Cold Buckwheat Heart-Shaped Therapy Pillow, Eye Soothing Gel Mask, Meditate Lotus Flower Hand Wash with Water Lily and Shea Butter, Cucumber Melon Bubble Bath and Bath Salts

Estimated Value: \$160 Starting Bid: \$50 Increase Bidding in \$10 Increments

***2. Calling All Cat Lovers** donated by Dean and Eden Millsap (may be tricky to fit all items in provided cat bed; will likely need larger basket)

Contents: 2 Books (Cats for Dummies and Cleveland Amory's Compleat Cat which includes 3 Volumes in One...The Cat Who Came For Christmas, The

Cat and the Curmudgeon, and The Best Cat Ever), Cat Computer Stationary, Cat Note Cards with Envelopes, Girls Night Out Cat Coasters, Cat Coffee Cup, Cat Travel Mug, Cat Photo Frame, Cat Sign (What Part of MEOW Don't You Understand), Cats Sitting on Couch Salt and Pepper Shakers, Decorative White Ceramic Bowl featuring 2 cats, Cat with Fish Food Dish, and Cat Bed For Your Furry Friend

Estimated Value: \$150 Starting Bid: \$50 Increase Bidding in \$10 Increments

***3. Movie Night** donated by Mary Weaver (already complete in basket)

Contents: 2 Harkins VIP Movie Passes, 4 Popcorn Tubs, Orville Redenbacher Movie Theatre Butter Popcorn, Package of Espresso Caramels, Package of Marcona Almonds

Estimated Value: \$45 Starting Bid: \$10 Increase Bidding in \$2 Increments

4. Fat Tuesday Mardi Gras Party donated by Dean & Eden Millsap and Wanda Bardwell (long narrow metal gold & brown toned bucket with handles provided for items)

Contents: 4 Feather Masks, Mardi Gras Beads, Cajun Habanero Hot Sauce, Tony Cashere's Cajun Country Cookbook, Hurricane Fixin's, Themed Dinnerware, Flatware, and Metal Tub to cool the Beer

Estimated Value: Starting Bid:

5. The Stu-bie Special donated by Dean and Eden Millsap

Contents: 2 Beer Mugs, 2 Beer Glasses, 6 pack of Pacifico Beer, M & Ms, 3 Barbeque Books (Patio Daddy-O At The Grill, Great Food, Great Beer...the Anheuser-Busch Cookbook and The Sunset Grill), Elight 2.0 Electronic Dart Board), Sheep Dip Scotch, Backgammon Game, Gift Certificate for Croshaw's Gourmet Pies in Mesa and Round of Golf for ? at Sunland Village East in Mesa

Estimated Value: Starting Bid:

***6. Totin' Some Imperial Tools** donated by Bill and Lori Northrop (might be able to display in tool bag provided)

Contents: Tool Bag, Cap, 5 Piece Oil Filter Wrench Kit, Ratchet Wrench, Ratcheting Tube Cutter, Tube Bender, MagnaMat Pro Magnetic Tool and Hardware Storage System, and ?cutters/clamps?

Estimated Value: Starting Bid:

7. Grillin' and Chillin' Corona Style donated by Anita Glenister (likely can use provided Corona bucket with exception of beer?)

Contents: Metal Corona Bucket, 6 Pack of Corona Beer, Corona Grill Mitt, Starter Barbeque Utensils, Best of Goldfield Ranch Cookbook and \$50 Chili's Gift Card

Estimated Value: \$95 Starting Bid: \$35 Raise in Increments of \$5

8. Doggone The Doggone Luck donated by Eden Millsap, Wanda Bardwell, Anita Glenister, Jody Knapp, and Jacque G.

Contents: 3 Zach and Zoey Coats (1 Teacup Hounds Tooth Cape, 1 Large Arctic Parka, and 1 Extra Large Base Camp Parka), 1 Medium Kong Classic Toy for Treats, 1 AKC Squeaker Heron Toy, 1 FURemover Pet Hair Removal Glove, 1 "Take Me Home" Dog Figurine

Estimated Value: Starting Bid: