



"You don't stop playing because you grow old; you grow old because you stop playing!"

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WHO'S ON DECK?

~ SUN CITIES NATIONAL LEAGUE WELCOMES JOY HARRISON ~

~ Dennis Farrar ~



JOY HARRISON
 ~ Photo by Dennis Farrar

Joy was born in Akron Ohio where she went to school and played basketball, volleyball and ran track lettering in all three sports. Joy started playing softball during summer breaks where she fell in love with the sport.

Her cousins were working for a hospital and they need a girl to play softball so she said yes and the rest is history. Joy is coming up on 41 years of playing the sport. She plays outfield and catcher mostly outfield for women and coed. Her awards run from winning Nationals, States, worlds and leagues play. She was named MVP 5 time, 4 times on the All Star team and was inducted into the Hall of Fame. Volleyball league won indoor and outdoor championships thru the years. She played on the senior men team in Akron for 4 years. Joy was married for 32 years before the divorce. Out of that came 3 daughters. Two of the girls are married and have family of their own. The young one is still trying to find

herself. Joy has five grandchildren; four girls and one boy. And Joy says she has spoiled them rotten. Beside sports Joy loves to travel and that's what brings her to Arizona. She says she has Tom Dorraugh to thank for it. She says that Tom and she have played together for 25 years which includes softball and volleyball. Tom is her right hand and she hopes that she is for him as well. Joy plays for the women's team, Hot Flashes, Co-ed, Larry Ott Realty and the National League team, Vital Care.

Editor's Note: Please join me and welcome Joy to our community, and softball family, and thank you again, Joy for sharing a part of your life with all of us. ~ Dennis Farrar

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FINAL REMINDER –

2013 DUES ARE DUE BY JANUARY'S END

~ Dennis Farrar ~



Just a last reminder — If you haven't paid your Annual Softball dues of \$25.00, they will be delinquent after January 31. Any dues received after January 31 may be



subject to a \$10.00 assessment fee.

Sun City Club should make checks payable to Sun City Senior Softball Club and give your check to one of the Board Members.

Sun City West Club should make check payable to Sun City West Softball Club and give your check to one of the Board Members. ★

☞ CALENDAR OF EVENTS ☞

(PLEASE NOTE - SOME OF THE DATES MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

January 18, 2014 (Saturday)

– “Sun City 12” Ball Wood Bat Tournament Sun Bowl Field • Sun City

You may sign up for this tournament online at www.azsrsoftball.com/events/events.html. Contact Joe Emmons at (623) 243-7576 or Email Joe at emmonsjoe@gmail.com for more information.

February 1-2, 2014 (Saturday)

– Bill Bromley Memorial Cardiac Kids Tournament Liberty Field • Sun City West

Contact Ken Skinner at (623) 546-8983 or email Ken at ken@azsrsoftball.com for more information. Only players who have had a cardiac event are eligible to play. This event is open to both the National and American National League Players. So sign up early.

February 27-28, 2014 (Thu.- Fri. - Sat.)

– Spring Fling Tournament Liberty Field • Sun City West

~ NATIONAL LEAGUE (Thu & Fri)
~ AMERICAN LEAGUE (Sat.)

More information will follow when available

March 2, 2014 (Sunday)

– Battle of the States Tournament Liberty Field • Sun City West

NATIONAL LEAGUE (Sunday)

Sign up will begin soon and you may sign up for this tournament online. More information will be posted at the fields and in the newsletter when it's available.

March 8-9, 2014 (Saturday & Sunday)

– Battle of the States Tournament Liberty Field • Sun City West

AMERICAN LEAGUE (Saturday & Sunday)

Sign up will begin soon and you may sign up for this tournament online. More information will be posted at the fields and in the newsletter when it's available.



March 19, 2014 (Wednesday)

– Annual SCSSL Hall of Fame Softball Banquet Palm Ridge Recreation Center • Sun City West

This year the Sun City West Softball Club will host our Annual Sun Cities Senior Softball League Hall of Fame Banquet. For more information contact Nancy Dobbins (623) 792-8993 or email Nancy at: nldobbs@msn.com.

March 22, 2014 (Saturday)

– “Sun City 16” Ball Wood Bat Tournament Sun Bowl Field • Sun City

You may sign up for this tournament online at www.azsrsoftball.com/events/events.html. Contact Oriem McDonald at 602-576-1795 or email Oriem at oriemcdonald@q.com for more information.

April 6, 2014 (Sunday)

– Tin Cup Golf Tournament [Locations TBA] • Sun City West

This is our Annual Golf Tournament Looking for volunteers to help. For more information contact Nancy Dobbins (623) 792-8993 or email Nancy at: nldobbs@msn.com.

Editor's Note:

Every effort has been made to include upcoming events on this calendar. Please check the web calendar as it may be updated more frequently. Thank you. ☺

SUN CITY WEST BOARD

~ Bob Dobbins, President ~

The election of board members was held and the officers for the 2014 year are:

- President – Bob Dobbins**
- Vice President – Les Olerich**
- Secretary – Barb Waddell**
- Treasurer – John McFarland**



I would like to thank outgoing board members, Chuck Davelis, Dave McCart, Art Roque, and Frank Welch for their two year service on the board. I would also like to welcome new board members Les Olerich, Barb Waddell, Gordon Kinkead, and Jim McGuire. We are so grateful to always have a group of people to volunteer to be members of the board in addition to all the other activities they may be involved in. Thank You, ★

ANGELS SOAR TO NEW HEIGHTS! ~ 2013 FINAL TOY DRIVE RESULTS

~ Kay Williams, Chairperson ~



WOW!! I am happy to report the final results for the 2013 toy drive. In the last newsletter we had preliminary results, due to the drive for Sun City being rained out. It was rescheduled and was very successful, resulting in two more bikes, bags of toys and \$341. Our grand total this year was:

- Nine bikes (last year we had 3)
- 25 bags of toys
- \$1,914 in cash (almost \$600 more than last year)

The cash was used for additional toys, clothing and super market gift cards.

From 2007 to 2013 Sun Cities Senior Softball players have contributed 243 trash bags full of toys, 18 new bicycles and \$5,188 in cash.

This year's donations were distributed to children and families served by Dysart Community Center, Maricopa Integrated Health Systems, Nadaburg School, Wittmann Community Center, and a veteran's group that provides assistance to the families of deployed service men and women and the VFW.

Thanks to our players, spouses and fans for opening your wallets and your hearts, once again demonstrating your generous spirit. You are the best!

NOTE: If you still want a SCW red and black hat, call me and I will bring it to the field. Only 8 hats left!

I want to share with you the message in a thank you card we received from Marlene Sullivan, President of the Women's Club:

The kindest hearts expect no reward and deserve it all the more. You give so much of yourself in the kindness you show and the lives you touch. That's why you deserve a heartfelt "thank you" and a wish that all the goodness you share comes back to you.

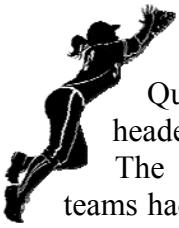


Head & Neck hidden word is: EYELASHES

WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Hot Flashes

~ Carol Bowden, Reporter ~



Dec. 7 ~

The HOT FLASHES hosted the Queen Bees from Mesa for a double header.

The 1st game was a batting duel. Both teams had multiple players on the bases, lots of scoring and very few errors. The final score was 12-12.

The 2nd game started out well for the Queen Bees. They held the lead for most of the game, but the HOT FLASHES came through in the end to tie the game 11-11.

We will travel to Mesa in 2014 for a rematch.

Dec. 14 -

The HOT FLASHES hosted the Sun City Grand Diamonds. The teams opted to play 9 innings to ensure more playing for all team players.

To our dismay, the HOT FLASHES were crushed by the Diamonds. The final score being 25-10. The Diamonds had 11 runs in the 1st 3 innings, while the HOT FLASHES only mustered 7 hits through 6 innings.

We welcomed new players, Joy Harrison, Marie Youngs and Edie Barringer to our ranks. It is a pleasure to have them play with us! We have about 15 women on the active roster and are always looking for additional players.

On our injured reserve list were Patty Settje (cast on her L. hand), Karen Teichman (broken elbow), Judy Christ (partial knee replacement) and Carol Bowden (total knee replacement). Although still battered and bruised, Carolyn Lavis was able to play a few innings before Donna Reed stepped in. ★

Our next game is Jan. 11 @ Sun City Grand, 2pm

AS I SEE IT!

~ Dennis Farrar ~



Well, we can scratch another year off of the calendar. Boy does time go by faster when you get older. I hope that you are ready for another one great year of softball and, tax day is just around the corner.

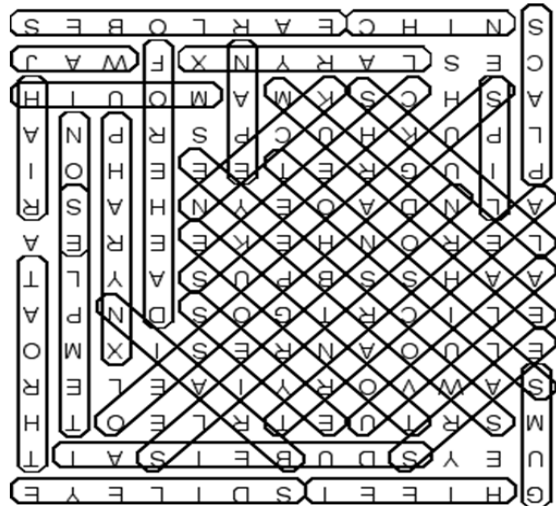
Sorry for the lateness of this month's newsletter, but my wife Terese and I flew home to Wisconsin and Minnesota for the Christmas & New Year's Holidays. We enjoyed surprising the family at the family Christmas party on December 28 at one of Terese's brothers' house. No one knew we were planning this trip but our son and his girlfriend who picked us up at the airport. Of course we had to cope with sub freezing temps and lots of snow. But all in all the snow was pretty to see and it was great spending time with the family during this special time of year. We hadn't been home for Christmas for 6 years.

Although I don't really have a New Year's resolution, I have downloaded a new app for my Smartphone so I have started walking to, hopefully take off some unwanted pounds. I'm hoping this will work for me. What will be your New Year's resolution this coming year?

That's how I see it. Have a good game and get home safe.

~ Editor

WORD SEARCH PUZZLE SOLUTION



REMEMBER, NO CHEATING!

Scan QR Code on left with mobile device for the hidden word answer. You can also find the answer hidden somewhere in this newsletter. Good luck.

☞ Head & Neck ☞

Find and circle all of the words that are hidden in the grid.
The remaining letters spell an additional word.

BRAIN	NAPE	G	H	T	E	E	T	S	D	I	L	E	Y	E
CHEEKS	NECK	U	E	Y	S	D	U	B	E	T	S	A	T	T
CHIN	NOSE	M	S	R	T	U	E	T	R	L	E	O	T	H
EAR LOBES	NOSTRILS	S	A	W	V	O	R	Y	I	A	E	L	E	R
EARDRUM	OESOPHAGUS	E	L	U	O	A	N	R	E	S	I	X	M	O
EARS	PHARYNX	E	L	I	C	R	T	G	O	S	D	N	P	A
EYEBROWS	SCALP	A	A	H	S	S	B	P	U	S	A	Y	L	T
EYELIDS	SKULL	L	E	R	O	N	H	E	K	E	E	R	E	A
EYES	TASTE BUDS	A	L	N	D	A	O	E	Y	N	H	A	S	R
FOREHEAD	TEETH	P	I	U	G	R	E	T	E	E	H	O	I	
GUMS	TEMPLES	L	P	U	K	H	U	C	P	S	R	P	N	A
HAIR	THROAT	A	S	H	C	S	K	M	A	M	O	U	T	H
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LIPS	TRACHEA													
MOUTH	UVULA													

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~ WE LOVE ALL OUR FANS DON'T WE? ~



~ Photo by Dennis Farrar



~ Photo by Dennis Farrar

This picture and the one to the right were taken at Liberty Field in Sun City West of some fans relaxing while watching a good game. Of course all the games are good games. But nobody says it's just a game if you're winning.

Many of our fans are players. But our number one fans are our family. They come out to watch all of us play whether you're playing at the time or not. You just never know what you'll see at the ball park? Talking on the phone, or _____?

THANK YOU SPONSORS — WE SUPPORT YOU!

A HUGE

Thank You to all of our wonderful sponsors who have continued to sponsor our recreation! Your ongoing support to our league allows us to exist as we know it. You are truly a blessing that has helped us more than you will ever know, and allows all of us another chance to be that "little kid" again.

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CONTACT PERSON: MATT KINDER – CELL 480-316-2225

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*FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: JIM KEINATH HOME PHONE: 623-399-8055

*ALL DEALERS WILL MAKE A SOFTBALL CLUB DONATION FOR EACH NEW VEHICLE SOLD.

Hall of Fame Selection

Do you know of a softball player who is or has worked to make our softball program in Sun City and Sun City West better?

If you do, please submit a nomination form available from your team manager or in the club house of Sun City or Sun City West.

The process has been simplified for your convenience.

1. Get a nominating form from your team manager or at the club house. You can also use the form in the Newsletter.
2. Name the person you would like to nominate.
3. Sign and date the form. (No co-sign required)
4. Put the form in an envelope, drop in the box at Liberty Field (by the west bleachers).
5. A review panel will do the rest

When we receive your nomination, you will be notified that your selection has been recorded.

NOMINATIONS CLOSE JANUARY 15, 2014

HALL OF FAME

Nomination Form

I would like to nominate:

Comments:

Submitted by:

Date _____