



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

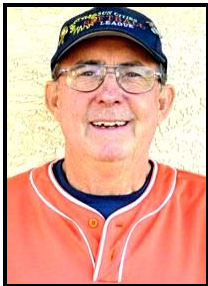
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## AS I SEE IT!

~ Dennis Farrar, Editor ~



**DENNIS FARRAR**

It is with mixed feelings and after careful consideration that I have to let all my readers know that this will be my last issue of the "Batter Up" newsletter. I have had a great and wonderful ride as your newsletter editor for the last twelve years. During my watch there has been 77 issues. Your newsletter would not be the same without the countless number of contributors who have faithfully sent their articles to me each month. I would like to thank John Doherty for believing in me and giving me the opportunity to take over for him back in 2004. Last, but certainly not least, I would like to thank my wife, Terese who has proof read each one of these newsletter for me. She has been the extra set of eyes I needed to make sure that each issue was as good as it gets. I hope and trust that someday soon,

someone will step up to the plate and continue the legacy. Now the question is... Is the newsletter that important? Is it necessary? If the answer to these question is "yes" then someone needs to get involved and get busy. I would be willing to help, but I just don't want to be the "editor". I'm sure many of you know that is takes time. However, anything we do that is worthwhile "takes time". We can still play our games, etc without a newsletter no doubt, and we sure will go on playing. But remember, it's not too late. You can step up and volunteer. Just let me know and I'll try to help you. So, how about it?

My wife Terese and I would like to remind all of you the "reason for the season". Hoping that your family has a very Merry Christmas. Also, a Happy and prosperous New Year in years to come. If you will be traveling during this time please have fun and travel safe. We want to see you back behind the plate after the holidays.

Finally... and for the last time, you will hear me say..... **That's how I see it. Have a good game and get home safe. ★**

~ Dennis Farrar, Editor ~

## ANNUAL CLUB DUES ARE DUE IN JANUARY

~ Dennis Farrar ~



This is only a reminder that your Annual Softball dues of \$25.00 must be paid during the month of January.

Any dues received after

January 31<sup>st</sup> 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 a Board Member.

**Sun City West Club** should make check payable to Sun City West Softball Club and give your check to a Board Member. ★

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

Nov. 30 & Dec 1, 3 (Mon. Tue., Thu.)

### - Annual Angels "Toys for Kids" Drive Liberty Field • Sun City West

Please bring an unwrapped new toy (or 2) with you to the game. Angels will be waiting at the tables on the sidewalk near the parking lot at Liberty Field to take your gifts or cash donation (in case you want us to shop for you). Gifts are needed for toddlers to teens. For more information contact Kay Williams at: (623) 566-2895 or email Kay at: [kwill30680@cox.net](mailto:kwill30680@cox.net).

December 28-29, 2015 (Monday & Tuesday)

### - "One Pitch" Fun Day Tournament Liberty Field • Sun City West

This will be a one pitch games just like last year. There will be lots of fun, food, and fellowship. Contact Rich McAndrews or Art Nelson for more information.

February 6, 2016 (Saturday)

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

This is the 10th Annual. Contact Ken Skinner at (623) 546-8983 or email Ken at [ken@azsrsoftball.com](mailto:ken@azsrsoftball.com) for more information. Only players who have had a cardiac event are eligible to play. This event is open to all league players. So sign up early.

March 24, 2016 (Thursday)

### - SCSL Hall of Fame Banquet Palm Ridge Recreation Center • Sun City West

Contact Gordon Kinkead at (623) 584-1264 or email Gordon at [karri245@mchsi.com](mailto:karri245@mchsi.com) for more information or to volunteer.

April 3, 2016 (Sunday)

### - Tin Cup Golf Tournament (2 golf courses) Deer Valley & Grandview • Sun City West

Contact Dick LeMoine at (623) 760-5456 or email Dick at [lemoineaz@aol.com](mailto:lemoineaz@aol.com) for more information or to volunteer.

#### 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.

"PEACE ON EARTH WILL COME TO STAY, WHEN WE LIVE CHRISTMAS EVERY DAY."

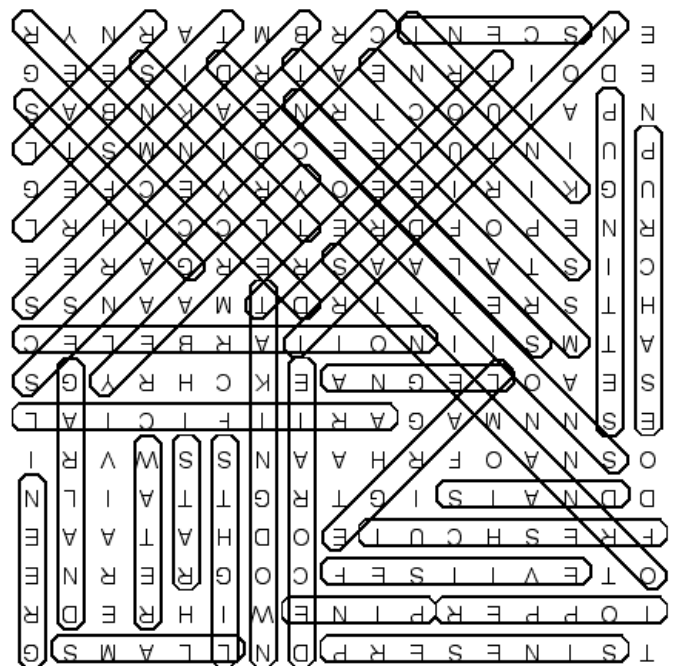
— Helen Steiner Rice

## CENTRAL LEAGUE

~ George Asan, Central League Committee ~

There are always rules for this and that and our Central League is no exception. We have a great league and great participation and membership. The number one priority of our league is **safety**. Our Sun Cities Senior Softball League - Central League Rules state that when a play is being made on the batter at first base the runner must touch the orange base and if he/she doesn't then they are to be called out by the umpire. Another reminder is about shirttails...yes we have a rule for that too. Shirt tails are to be tucked in at all times. If it doesn't fit then an extension may be added. LOOK GOOD and PLAY SAFE. ★

### Christmas Tree Solution



The remaining 53 letters spell a secret message.

You'll find the answer in this newsletter.

Remember, No Cheating



**ANGELS IN THE OUTFIELDS CONTACTS**

Kay Williams	Angels Chairman	623-566-2894
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**American League**

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Sharon McAndrews		623-544-2837
Judy Raczak		623-556-4698
Pam Willie		623-975-9693

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Sally Wicketts		623-933-3310
Zeny Stolp		623-271-8244

**Other**

Barbara McCart		623-556-1248
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**FROM THE PRESIDENT**

~ Gordon Kinkead, Club President ~

The SCW softball club elected four new board members at their general membership meeting in November.

Congratulations to Cal Goings, Dick LeMoine, John McFarland, and Larry Reed who were selected to help lead the SCW softball club for 2016.

Also, don't forget to mark your calendars for Thursday, March 24, 2016 for the Softball Hall of Fame dinner which SCW will host at Palm Ridge. ★



**2016 CLUB BOARD ELECTION RESULTS**



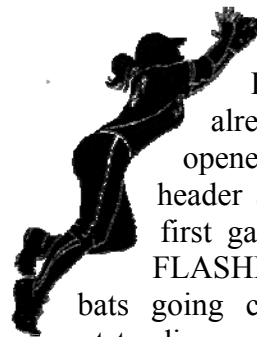
**Cal Goings  
Dick Lemoine  
John McFarland  
Larry Reed**

*These board members will serve a two year term starting January 1st.*

THE HIDDEN MESSAGE IS: THE TRADITION OF HAVING A CHRISTMAS TREE ORIGINATED IN GERMANY

**HOT FLASHES**

~ Carol Bowden ~



The season has begun!!!!!! With practice on Friday afternoons, the team was already in mid-season form. We opened on Nov. 7 with a double header against our rival 'TwitZed'. The first game was a victory for the HOT FLASHES, but the second game had our bats going cold. Defense, as always, was outstanding.

On Nov. 14, 'TwitZed' came back for a single, 9-inning game. They hit everything and immediately had the HOT FLASHES down 9-3. We just couldn't seem to find the gaps and scoring (even in the last inning) was sparse.

The teams each have players who will be playing the the Phoenix World Games the week of Nov. 16. Great competition and outstanding play for sure!

Our next home game @ Liberty Field will be Dec. 5, 9:30am. Join us! ★



# CO-ED LEAGUE

~ John McFarland, Commissioner ~

The Co-Ed league has expanded once more to eight teams and we are looking for more women to join us in our endeavor to become one of the best fun league in Sun City West.

When you go to your other club meetings please let them know that we have a women's league along with the Co-Ed league and that we are looking for women of all skill levels and are willing to work with anyone that is interested in having fun. We have several skilled coaches and these women can make you a star.

So come on out and see if you enjoy this league as much as the other 28 women we have playing now. ★



"THE REASON FOR THE SEASON"

# YOU MAKE THE CALL

~ Dan Burke, Umpire ~



Two base runners occupy the same base simultaneously.

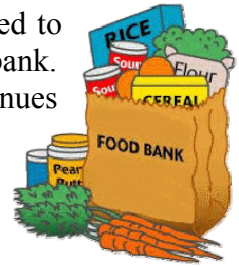
**YOU MAKE THE CALL**

Answer in this newsletter. Can you find it?

# FOOD BANK

~ Carol Bowden & Julie McGlynn ~

Julie McGlynn and I have decided to end our collections for the food bank. There are so many other venues available and our donations have greatly decreased. It has run its course.



We are truly grateful for all that the softball club has been done! We are blessed with wonderful, caring players/families/friends. ★

# LEAGUE JACKETS

~ Ray Keller ~

Once again it is time to think about ordering your League Softball Jackets. You may have seen some of the players wearing them already with the cooler weather upon us. To order your jacket just complete and cut out the order form below and give it to me along with your check. You may also call me for more information and to make the arrangements to pick up your jacket when it comes in. Remember, all jackets must be pre-paid when ordering. Thank you and enjoy. ★

(Cut On Line)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Please print clearly)*

Phone #: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Area Code) Phone Number*

Colors: RED BLUE  
*(Circle One)*

Sizes: S M L XL XXL  
*(Circle One)*

LEAGUE		
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

*(Check appropriate box)*

Name on Jacket *(Please print clearly)*

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*First Name Last Name (Optional)*

**Make checks payable to Ray Keller**  
**Tel: (623) 977-1469 for more information**

**Cost: \$24.50** Add \$2.00 for XXL

(Cut On Line)

# ❧ Christmas Tree ❧

Find and circle all of the Christmas Tree words that are hidden in the grid.  
The remaining 53 letters spell a secret message.

ANGEL	PRESENTS	T S T N E S E R P D N L L A M S G
ARTIFICIAL	PURCHASE	T O P P E R P I N E W I H R E D R
BRANCHES	REAL	O T E V I T S E F C O G R E R N E
CANDY CANES	SCENT	F R E S H C U T E O D H A T A A E
CELEBRATION	SETTING UP	D D N A T S I G T R G T T A I L N
DECEMBER	SKIRT	O S N A O F R H A A N S S W V R I
DECORATE	SMALL	E S N N M A G A R T I F I C I A L
DECORATIONS	SPRUCE	S E A O L E G N A E K C H R Y G S
FESTIVE	STAND	A T M S I I N O I T A R B E L E C
FRESH CUT	STAR	H T S R E T T T R D T M A A N S S
GARLAND	TAKING DOWN	C I S T A L A A S R E R G A R E E
GIFTS	TINSEL	R N E P O F D R E T L C C I H R L
GREEN	TOPPER	U G K I R I E E O Y R Y E C F E G
LARGE	TRADITION	P U I N T U L E E C D I N M S T L
LIGHTS	TREE FARM	N P A I U O C T R N E A K N B A S
NEEDLES	TREE LOT	E D O I T R N E A T R D I S E E G
ORNAMENTS	TRUNK	E N S C E N T C R B M T A R N Y R
PINE	WATER	
	YEARLY	

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## ~ CHRISTMAS QUOTES FROM FOLKS YOU KNOW ~

**“My idea of Christmas, whether old-fashioned or modern, is very simple: loving others. Come to think of it, why do we have to wait for Christmas to do that?”** — *Bob Hope*

**“Christmas is a necessity. There has to be at least one day of the year to remind us that we’re here for something else besides ourselves.”**

— *Eric Sevareid, CBS News journalist*

**“One of the most glorious messes in the world is the mess created in the living room on Christmas day. Don’t clean it up too quickly.”** — *Andy Rooney*

**“Unless we make Christmas an occasion to share our blessings, all the snow in Alaska won’t make it ‘white’.”**

— *Bing Crosby (1904-1977), American singer and film actor.*

# THANK YOU SPONSORS — WE SUPPORT YOU!

# HUGE

Thank You go out 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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SECTION 8 (ON BASE SITUATIONS) D EFFECT: The runner who first legally occupied the base is entitled to it. The other runner CAN BE PUT OUT by being touched with the ball

**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 20, 2015**

**HALL OF FAME  
Nomination Form**

I would like to nominate:

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Comments:

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Submitted by:

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