

**MEADVIEW MONITOR**  
**JAN/FEB 2013**  
**MEADVIEW, ARIZONA**  
**HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

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**OFFICE HOURS  
8:00 AM TO 4:00 PM  
MONDAY—SATURDAY  
CLOSED FOR LUNCH  
12:00 PM TO 12:30 PM**

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**PLEASE LET US KNOW WHEN YOU MOVE!!**

#### MEADVIEW UTILITY DIRECTORY

The Grand Wash Water Co. (Water Delivery)	564-2500
Canyon's End (Water Service Delivery)	564-2497
Joshua Valley Utility (Water Company)	564-2552
High Desert Water (Bulk Water)	928-925-0777
UniSource Electric	877-837-4968
Emergency	800 352-3010
Frontier Telephone	928 753-1122
Ferrell Gas (Propane)	928 757-1101
Northern Energy (Propane)	928 757-7923
Graves Propane	928 565-2821
Westside Disposal (Trash)	928 565-9369

***ANNUAL  
ASSESSMENTS  
ARE  
DUE THE 31st***

#### REMINDER

**BOARD MEETINGS ARE HELD  
THE 2nd SATURDAY OF EACH  
MONTH AT 9:00 AM**

**BOARD MTG. JAN. 12th 9 am**

**BOARD MTG. FEB. 9th 9 am**

**BOARD MTG. MAR. 9th 9 am**

#### MEMBER SERVICES

**JoAnn Sines  
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**MCA MEMBERS****\*\*\* REMINDER \*\*\***

BY NOW YOU SHOULD HAVE RECEIVED YOUR ANNUAL ASSESSMENT STATEMENT. PLEASE REMEMBER TO INCLUDE YOUR LOT NUMBER AND THE NAME AS IT APPEARS ON YOUR DEED WITH YOUR PAYMENT.

PAYMENT BY ON-LINE BAKING, MONEY ORDERS OR PERSONAL CHECK MUST HAVE THIS INFORMATION TO GIVE PROPER CREDIT.

IF YOU ARE MAKING A PAYMENT WITH A PERSONAL CHECK OR MONEY ORDER PLEASE INCLUDE THE BOTTOM HALF OF THE STATEMENT.

ALSO PLEASE, REMEMBER TO SIGN YOUR CHECK.

IF YOU HAVE A CHANGE OF ADDRESS PLEASE LET US KNOW.

**THANK YOU.**

JOANN AND MAGGIE

**MCA POTLUCK DINNERS**

The 4th Saturday of each month has been left open for MCA potluck dinners. This has been the practice for nearly 40 years. January has been chosen by a member for a SOUP potluck. Bring your pot of soup to share with the other members. Some who don't make soup, bring crackers, or bread or dessert. The MCA will provide the bowls for either a cup of the various soups, or bowls for a meal of one certain soup. MCA will also provide coffee, and a cold drink. You don't need to sign up.

The February potluck dinner will be a regular potluck spread. You bring any dish you want to share with others, be it the entree, a veggie, a salad, or dessert. We don't need to sign up, you just take your chances.

March will be a sign up dinner with the MCA providing the main dish of corned beef and cabbage. Members will bring side dishes, salads and desserts. **YOU MUST SIGN UP FOR THE MARCH DINNER** so the MCA knows how many will be eating corned beef. All winter dinners will start at 5 p.m. so be sure to get there on time.



***NEWS OF INTEREST TO MEADVIEW***

by Suzann Newell

The 2012 election has come and gone, and some are joyful and others wringing their hands, but Meadview did it again. We had 632 ballots cast from our precinct and that is a high percentage of the registered voters. In fact, the percentage is the highest in Mohave County, and probably the State. In Meadview and Lake Mead City, we do think our vote counts.

The 2010 census found Mohave County now has over 200,000 residents and therefore we had to have five members on the Board of Supervisors. Our District became #4 and our new board member is Joy Brotherton. She has visited Meadview a number of times before the election and has promised to attend our monthly COM meetings to keep us informed of what is happening in our county and give us an update on future plans for the county.

On that same subject Doris Goodale was re-elected to the Arizona House of Representatives and once again has been named as chair of the House Education Committee. She also is on the Judiciary Committee. Freshman Representative Sonny Borrelli will serve on the Government, Public Safety and Transportation panels.

The item in the last MONITOR concerning the cost of early ballots is ongoing. Arizona Secretary of State Ken Bennett and Mohave County Voter Registration Supervisor Kim Stewart have come up with a plan -- the catch is, 'who will pay for the fix'? Bennett has suggested making changes to the provisional ballot and early ballot counting system. The counting of Mohave provisional ballots ended on November 15, nine days after the election. There were 4,200 provisional ballots, double what is generally received. Arizona allows people who received an early ballot in the mail to drop it off at any polling place on Election Day. Those are shipped to the voter registration division to be sorted and signatures verified then they go to the elections department to be counted. Provisional ballots are given to people who show up to vote without a valid ID or who is listed as having received an early ballot. Money for new software and printers is the catch.

Station #45, located at The Last Stop at mile post 25 on State highway 93 held it's Grand Opening on December 1. The helicopter landing pads have been approved and and fire and medical personnel are in place 24/7 to help with all accidents or emergency medical calls on highway 93 or in the White Hills area.

The Grapevine Mesa area was once again awash with Christmas lights, music and the spirit of Christmas. For many years our little area has been a bright and beautiful shining spot for planes flying the dark winter nights. It must be exciting to be flying at 30,000 feet and in the middle of a dark desert see a huge blue star and then all the little houses glowing in white, red, green, yellow and blue lights.



## COM REPORT

JANUARY 2013

GLADYS BURK, PRESIDENT

Your COM Board is looking forward to a new and exciting 2013. A new board was elected at the December meeting: President Gladys Burk, Vice President Suzann Newell, Treasurer Karen Stacy, Secretary Chris Selinsky, Co-editors of the Community News Adrienne O'Keeffe and Jonathan Kiser, Carol Keller and Arnella Craig. Three new gentlemen have come onto the board: Carl Stacy, Anthony Carter, and Norm Hardy.

We know we will be able to pull together for the good of the community. Lots of wonderful ideas are being mulled over in our brains, even as you are reading this article.

In December, Joy Brotherton spoke to us about her role as a new member on the Board of Supervisors. She is eager to work with and for us. She plans on attending most of our meetings.

The January speakers will be Paige Ayers and Blair Berg. Their topic will be the new Physical Therapy Facility in Kingman. Many of us are faced with rehabilitation and therapy and need information about the latest available sources.

Be sure to attend the January 3 meeting. Refreshments are served at 9:45 with the meeting beginning promptly at 10:00. Everyone in Meadview and Lake Mead City are members. There are no dues. This is truly a community organization. We welcome ideas and topics for our meetings. If something is important to you and you feel it should be addressed, just talk to a Board member or write to us at Box 31 and we will certainly consider it.

Our speaker for February has not been finalized. A poster is always put up a week in advance of the meeting. Check out our bulletin board at the Post Office.

HAPPY NEW YEAR !

## UPDATE ON LMRFD STATION #43

by Suzann Newell

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A Project Manager dealing with the White Hills Wind Farm discussed the Draft and Environmental Statement that BP has submitted to the Board of Supervisors. The new type 3 truck has been painted and is ready for action. Station #45 had it's Grand Opening on December 1 at the Last Stop. The Mohave Board of Supervisors passed the request that will allow 6 helicopters to land at that location to speed up hospital arrival for accident victims from the Hi way 93 accidents or medical calls from the White Hills area. Chief Hruz also announced that beginning in January LMRFD personnel will be taking 8 hour classes on airport and helicopter rescue.

The effort to get more properties signed up with subscriptions for fire protection is ongoing in Lake Mead City and White Hills. If you are not in the LMRFD fire district or if you are not certain if you are, call the main office at 928-767-3300 or check your tax bill. The tax assessment for LMRFD is plainly shown on that bill from the county.

You will be helping yourself if you will bring in a detailed map on how to arrive at your home in case of a 9-1-1 call. A fire is generally visible and can be found, but the heart attack does not have any flashing lights to guide the ambulance to your home.

## addition to LMRFD UPDATE

Kathy Barnes and Claude Thorpe were given the oath of office at the regular December board meeting. Claude will continue as Chairman of the Board, Nancy Hussey will continue as Treasurer and Suzann will continue as Clerk of the Board. At the Grand Opening of Station #45 at Last Stop on hiway 93 fire subscriptions were written for homes in White Hills. White Hills has been in the LMRFD medical CON but a 9-1-1 call took nearly an hour to respond from Station #41 in Dolan. In the first week of having a station on hiway 93, two medical calls came in from White Hills and the response time was 9 minutes. Land on White Hills Road has been offered to LMRFD by private owners to build a station that could house 6 vehicles. Last year's taxes are way past due bringing down to about 25% of what was expected by our fire district. In fact, this year's taxes are very slow to come into the treasurer's office, therefore LMRFD is running on fumes. Fire subscriptions is one way we can continue to man #43 in Meadview. Chief Russ Paronto and Fire Chief Mark Hruz have put together a power point presentation for our February COM meeting and we urge the residents on Grapevine Mesa to attend this meeting, February 7, at 10. Come share coffee and cookies and talk to your emergency fire and medical workers.

A fire call early the morning of December 21 was for the large fire inside the bus barn on Charles. Personnel and two volunteers from #43 responded and were able to contain and put out the fire quickly, Chief Paronto was the Incident Commander at the scene. The structure was apparently not damaged but the walls and stairways were badly charred, no one was hurt.

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**MERRY CHRISTMAS TO MEADVIEW FROM THE TORNGRENS**  
**An interview with the Torngrens by Adrienne O'Keeffe**

Each year Meadview area residents have been treated to a stunning display of Christmas lights and figures and a miniature lighted village at the home of Skip and Donna Torngren. In 2001 the display started simply with icicle style lights around the house and has expanded each year to the mega display it is today. Skip starts working on the display the last week of September and finishes just before Thanksgiving.

We asked Skip how many lights are in the display and he thinks at least 75,000. Each year new items are added and Skip changes the layout to keep it interesting. This year's featured new item is a 7 foot wreath that was found in a second hand warehouse (think American Pickers) in Golden Valley. To prevent power outages, Skip has laid many electrical lines with outlets along the way to evenly distribute the necessary electricity. When asked if he had a master plan, Skip replied, "Yes, I do if when walking Dakota and having an idea come to me counts as a master plan." Not only are there about 20 animated decorations, more than 12 reindeer, a life sized nativity scene, Cinderella style carriage, but most of the plants, bushes and trees are trimmed in lights. Skip has developed a method of fastening the lights to Yucca and Joshua tree spikes so the wind won't pull them off. The gazebo features a Christmas tree complete with a working vintage train set. Even the garage door is decorated with a lighted scene projected on it. There is so much to see, you will want to go back several times.

Donna's contribution to the display is a miniature lighted village that takes up two rooms in the garage. The village is in Skip's tool room, so it is put up every year. The village includes mountains, a countryside with farms, a city complete with stores and homes and a replica of Bethlehem. Donna has been collecting the miniatures for 18 years starting with a purchase of 5 houses. Although this is now Donna's project, the first village was created by Skip when he started making paper mache mountains.

We think of the display as the Torngren's gift to local residents but they have a different point of view. Skip told us the display is really a community happening because a lot of the items used have been given to them from many people through the years. He said he could not do this without the generosity of so many people. This year 18 car loads of people gathered at the home for cookies, cider and hot cocoa at the end the COM'S Decorated Home Tour. If you missed the tour, the lights are on almost every night until January 1.

***THE MCA  
WISHES ALL MEMBERS  
A HEALTHY AND PROSPEROUS  
NEW YEAR***



**EXPLORERS and OVER the HILL HIKERS**

By Suzann Newell

This has been a busy two months. We did go to Canyon de Chelly and the weather was great. Yes, it did get cool at night, but the daytime sun was wonderful for hiking and driving around to tour the White House, Spider Rock and all of the other interesting places and our tour guide was so very knowledgeable and made history come to life for us. We then drove the south rim and hiked down to all of the view points. The next day we drove the north rim and visited three of the very interesting views, to look right down into the cliff dwellings. We then drove to Window Rock and visited the Hubbel Trading Post. Later in October we hiked to the Pearce Ferry Rapids and the next week we drove down to the Portland Wash Mine to picnic beside the lake. In November we drove to Williams and to Sycamore Canyon. That canyon was a surprise to most of us with red and white spires inside this deep canyon. A number of us decided we needed to set up a hike to the bottom, but during more agreeable weather as the breeze was pretty refreshing. The next morning, before we boarded the train, we sat in rain but were entertained by some card sharks and bad cowboys. The train was warm and the scenery was great. We saw antelope and elk. The Grand Canyon had 60 mph winds blowing up and over the rim (I'm sure of that speed because it blew off hats that were pulled tight over freezing ears). The museums, and gift shops were well attended, and a few of the hardy hikers did the rim walk. The food was fantastic. The bus ride stopped at interesting view points and the lunch they served was perfect. The train back to Williams provided three musicians with guitars and mandolins. And a bunch of bandits who gathered our loose change. Our PSA said it was the only train she'd ever known that stopped to let bandits come on board! The rain coming home that night made driving a real adventure.

We picked up our section of Pearce Ferry Road. Many thanks to Chuck Steffen for setting this up. He had 13 little trash pickers and it didn't take an hour. Twelve of our bunch did the hike down the Grapevine Slot Canyon. The canyon has a few exciting spots, the grotto in one area is interesting, but, many who have done it before claimed it was longer and more difficult this time. A couple even said it was the last time they'd be doing it. We hope to take the Joshua Tree tour as a group in January, and we are looking forward to the high country camping, 4 x 4 trip in July. Our meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 6:30--you missed the annual Christmas potluck dinner.

***HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY*****MCA CRAFT SHOW**

by Suzann Newell

We had 20 tables, 5 were community organization tables with raffles, cookies, candy, phonebooks and information. The Red, White and Blue quilt raffle, which brought in \$870, was won by Blair Berg; a porcelain doll made by our late friend Pat Albertson was won by Arnella Craig. The crafters welcomed Curt Harvey with his beautiful wooden carving boards (saw a lot of them walking out); Nancy Stone and her soaps were selling like hotcakes; Suzann actually sold a quilt and a lot of books and a handful of jelly and Unicorn Pickles. Adrienne O'Keeffe was pleased that her cards and darling framed flowers sold well; Carol Keller's pottery was impressive and admired by all. Wally saw 3 or 4 of his cholla lamps being carried out, and his floor lamp made someone very happy. Sue Wood's table was absolutely bare by 1 o'clock, DAR had a large variety of items and they made well over \$200. Loretta and Nancy had only a few items to pack up so I'm pretty sure they were happy, and Kathy Pyle was smiling so guess she did well. Jimmy Welch had a lot of empty shelves by noon when he had to go home to dig out the turkey for dinner. We missed four of our regulars, but 3 of them had unexpected illness in their families and had to be gone. All in all the day went well, but next year we hope we can get someone to provide a lunch for the crafters and our customers. Any suggestions?

**MEADVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH**

The month of December is always special as we celebrate the birth of Christ. This year the blessing of celebrating the Christmas holidays was even more special with the two churches of Meadview sharing in many of the special events. On December 9, Pastor Dale and others in the community joined with the Community Church in the presentation of the Cantata "Ring the Bells". The following Sunday, there was a Christmas Sing-spiration held in our new Worship building with over two hours of Christmas music specials presented by the churches from Dolan Springs and the two Meadview churches. Immediately following the concert, a chili meal with all kinds of Christmas special recipe finger foods, snacks, cookies and other desserts were enjoyed by over 100 people who attended the event.

The Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service was a memorable service in praise of the coming of our Lord.

January is the start of a new year and many activities at the Meadview Baptist Church.

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays – 9:00 a.m. – Women's Bible Study.

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays – 6:00 p.m. – Church Social – Mexican Train & Game night

2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday – 9:00 a.m. – Men's Breakfast

Every Thursday – 4:30 p.m. - Bible Study/Prayer Mtg.

Every Sunday – 9:45 a.m. – Sunday School for Children & Adults

Every Sunday – 11:00 a.m – Worship Service

Our February activities are the same as above except we will be celebrating Valentine's Day on February 10 with a special Valentine Potluck that will bring out the sweetness for us all. Yes, there will be Valentine chocolate.

Pastor Dale  
564-2341

**Meadview Community Church News**

Happy New Year to all of our Meadview friends. Our regular schedule of services is:

Sundays: Sunday School at 9:45 AM, and Morning Worship at 10:45 AM with the observance of holy communion the first Sunday of each month.

Wednesday: Midweek Bible Study & Prayer Service at 6:30 PM

Thursday: Ladies Bible Study at 9:45 AM

Friday: Choir Practice at 7:00 PM

Men's Breakfast will take place on Tuesday, January 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 AM in our fellowship hall.

We will have a church potluck lunch immediately following the morning service on Sunday, January 20<sup>th</sup> in our fellowship hall, and this will be followed by a movie projected on our big screen.

Our church will be having our annual Valentine's day breakfast on Thursday, February, 14<sup>th</sup> in our fellowship hall. It will include a special program including a number of musical selections performed by various musicians from our church. We look forward to this event and invite our friends from the community to come and enjoy this time with us. In lieu of this special program there will be no men's fellowship meeting in February.

We invite all of our Meadview friends to participate with us in all of these services and activities.

Pastor John Mulvihill

## Library News

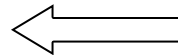
By Chris Selinsky

We wish everyone a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year. Many thanks to all of you who have contributed and donated to the Meadview Library. Your donations help support educational and fun activities for every age which leads to increases in literacy and productivity in our society.

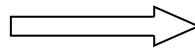
Many thanks to Tuaine Gooding and Pauline Gilpin for their help during the November Craft Show. Congratulations to Judy Herndon who won the gourmet basket. Everyone enjoyed the annual cookies and tea exchange in December and it was nice to see Debbie Rusk from the Kingman Library Branch who supplied us with a crafty project to take home.

Sometime this New year the library will get a new coat of paint and we hope it will be soon. The next Friends of the Library meeting will be on January 18th. at 10:00 A.M. and that is when the membership dues will be collected. If you haven't joined yet, please check us out.

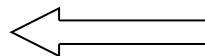
Sharlet Kish will offer a painting class in January for a minimal fee. The times will be posted on bulletin boards and will be listed in the Community News. Debbie Rusk from the Kingman Library said the Adult and Kids programs will continue once a month in Meadview starting with the new year. Don't forget that we have a Job Service Center in the library and you can look for a job using a computer with an all-in-one printer. For a reminder, the library hours are: Tuesdays: 10 - 5 P.M., Thursdays: 11 - 6 P.M., and Saturdays: 10 - 4 P.M.



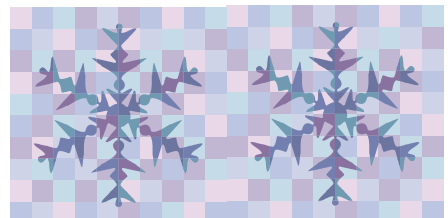
Chris Selinsky,  
Sharon Willis  
Lois Fullmer &  
Carole Duran



Judy Herndon

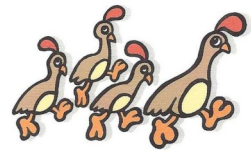


Pauline Gilpin



**MEADVIEW OUAIL**

By Rita Hughs



Hmmm good. Missed the December meeting? What a treat!! Our Quail members are wonderful cooks and bakers. Everything was delicious.

Gladys played Christmas carols on the piano and members sang like angels.

Our meeting started with the pledge of allegiance, minutes read, and treasurer's report given. Sue Kaufman sent a thank you to Quail for baking cookies for the Christmas celebration of lights. Linda Boyden received \$200.00 from the Women's VFW Auxiliary for material used by the Red, White and Blue Quilters.

Thank you to Opal Fry's Daughter for sending \$25.00 to the scholarship fund, Lynne Crosier for her donation to the scholarship fund, the Meadview Community Church for their \$100.00 donation to the scholarship fund, Smith's Market for a 10% discount on chicken used for tacos made during the Meadview Craft Fair after Thanksgiving.

Lucille Sunde said thank you from the DAR to the VFW Women's Auxiliary for delivering the quilts and other items to the VA Hospital in Prescott.

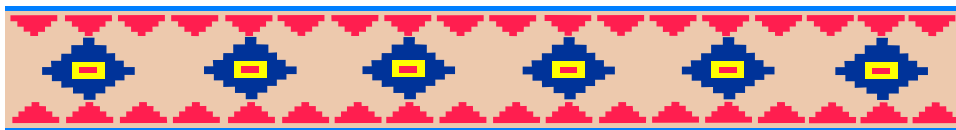
Mo Kronemeyer of the DAR asked members for blankets, coats and socks for the homeless veterans in Kingman.

The hardware store gave 82 children toys for Christmas. Twenty six families received food baskets from the VFW Women's Auxiliary as told by member Helene Williams.

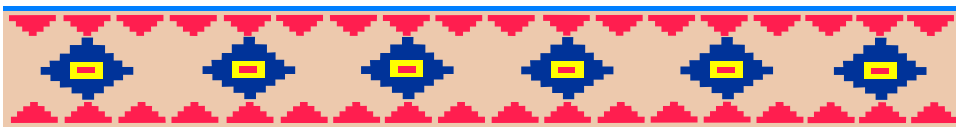
Bring a baby gift at the January meeting for the Nellis Air Force baby shower to be held in January. Members can car pool to attend. This is for families whose husbands are serving over seas.

January meeting is on the 15th at 10:00 AM, at the MCA. Bring a greeting card for Valentines day. No glitter for the military.

WE hope you enjoyed a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



**PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOUR ADDRESS HAS CHANGED**





## *Two long time residents of Meadview*

### ROBERT ARNOLD (1929-2012)

Bob Arnold and his wife, Beryl, moved to Meadview in 1987. Before they arrived here, they sailed the ocean, drove all over California, and into Mexico where they tent camped on the beaches, and once they were here they hiked the cliffs, and canyons, took their dune-buggy (that Bob made) into impossible gullies and in general lived life to the fullest. Bob was born July 12, 1929 in Los Angeles. He grew up at a time when beaches, surfing and the casual life-style were legendary. HE LIVED IT AND HE LOVED IT. His wife urges that he enjoyed his life to the nth degree and no mourning is allowed!! He served his country during the Korean War. His ashes have been interred at the Miramar Veterans National Cemetery with an Honor Guard ceremony. He has been remembered in the Prayers of the people at Good Samaritan Episcopal Church and at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Del Mar. Beryl states, 'Bob was all about love. If you take poetic license and substitute "Bob" for "Love" in Corinthians Chapter 13:4-8, it describes him to a T.' He is remembered and missed by his many Meadview friends.



### TED NORBERG

Ted moved to Meadview in the early '90's. In the many years he lived here he was a gentle and friendly man who seemed able to embrace each person that came into his sphere. His very large family meant so much to him. When ill health put a large crimp in his ability to manage his own daily life, his step-son lovingly asked him to come live with them in Montana and the last year and a half of his life he seemed to regain much of his vitality and exuberance for life. He passed away with family around him. As per his wishes, his remains were cremated and placed on the farm in Minnesota along with his best buddy, Kogie, his black lab.

