CaringCORPS

P.O. BOX 831 CAREFREE, AZ 85377



Upcoming Dates
To Remember

Volunteer Orientation

Second Thursdays January 12 February 9 9-11 a.m.

Note: Meet at Annex 11 Sundial Circle #28

Van Transportation Training Level I

> January 19 February 16 9-10 a.m.





FCC Office Hours Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm **December 23 & 30** 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

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Foothills Caring Corps News

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Hosting a lovely private Afternoon Tea to benefit Foothills Caring Corps' "Neighbors", Jill Ford and Pat Wetter's guests brought in more than 100 beautiful gifts to distribute to older folks celebrating the holidays alone.









To you and yours...

From the Caring Corps'
Staff and
Board of Directors





Foothills Caring Corps (FCC) publicly honored volunteers by holding an appreciation luncheon on December 1st at the Desert Hills Presbyterian Church. It is an ongoing testimony of the heart and spirit of FCC volunteers that this past year we received more than 41,000 hours of volunteer service on behalf of our Neighbors. With now more than 610 Neighbors supported by approximately 545 volunteers, we know FCC and the communities are blessed with a volunteer force of good will that has grown to meet the many demands for service. Foothills Caring Corps' Vice President Emily Kile, Mayor Vincent Francia and Mayor David Schwan recognized the astounding in-kind contributors and highlighted the many benefits received by FCC as well as added benefits to the communities.

A thank you and acknowledgement to Walmart for the grant which gave FCC the opportunity for the catered fine food through Venues Café. A very special thank you to the Desert Hills Presbyterian Church volunteers and staff who served the meal, provided expert audio visual support and made the space a festive welcoming place to hold our event.



FCC Volunteer and Staff at Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon held December 1st

A Blessing to One can Change the World

Sometimes we feel that the needs around us are so great that we wonder how we can make a difference. I can only do so much. You do make a difference! Never underestimate the power of your blessing to one person you touch. The George Washington Carver Museum in Phoenix is hosting a traveling exhibition that brings this point home in a powerful way. It tells the story of one relationship between two young Polish boys that grew into something that is changing the world. Those boys were Pope John Paul and his beloved Jewish friend, Jerzy. This boyhood friendship stood the test of time and encouraged Pope John Paul to be the first Pope to open relationships with the Jewish community and visit Israel. This bridge building relationship has had amazing ripple effects. Their story reminds us that every act of love, compassion, care and understanding that we enact has a lasting effect. Who knows where the service and caring you give your neighbor through the Foothills Caring Corps will go! In this season of special joy may you remember that one blessing of another is a powerful gift.

Jayne Hubbard



Our Favorite Things

Teens cleaning vans and phones ever ringing
Mobile Meal Captains and copiers singing
Volunteers checking in and golf committee spinning
The Board is dreaming and newsletters
ready for reading

These are few of our favorite things!

Donors are gifting and furniture volunteers are lifting

Mailings are sifting and coffee aroma is 'wifting'

Staff smile and run, Debbra's next plan has just begun

These are a few of our Favorite things

If you wonder
If you wander

If you're feeling bored

Just think of the joy at the Foothills Caring Corps and come in and see us more!

Happy Holidays to you all



Foothills Caring Corps needs several SPECIAL volunteers who would drive our Veterans to the VA Hospital/Clinic for medical appointments. The trips may take longer than the normal 2 hour appointments but please see if you might find time to help these special

VETERANS. Many of our wounded Veterans are coming home now and cannot reach medical care in our area themselves. We also have many of our older Vets who would seek medical help from the VA if they could get transportation.

Help us to help our Veterans. If you can take time to help our Veterans, please call Maggie or Nancy at 480-488-1105.





Caring Corps' Wish List

To stock our meeting spaces

- Coffee Pot
- Coffee mugs / hot paper cups
- Coffee, tea, hot chocolate

To help Neighbors communicate with relatives and friends

Laptop computers

Community Outreach

Arizona Musicfest: A Duet

Listen and learn from Maestro Bob Moody, as he and guest musicians take us on a musical journey with commentary and a preview of the 2012 Festival Season.

\$25 per person / limited seating

Saturday, January 7 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

at Desert Foothills Library
38443 N. School House Road, Cave Creek
Information for all events at the Library:
Contact David Court at dcourt@dfla.org or
Dereth DeHaan at ddehaan@dfla.org
480.488.2286 www.desertfoothillslibrary.org



A special thank you to Our Lady of Joy Catholic Church for hosting the Thanksgiving Eve Service and for each of the pastors and members of the congregations that attended and helped support Foothills Caring Corps.



Foothills Caring Corps has a new meeting room (Annex) that will be used for larger meetings. The location is at 11 Sundial Circle #28

(parking at E. Sunshine Place).

Please note this change on some of your meeting notices.

Help Foothills Caring Corps by using your IRA Rollover!

Are you 70 ½ or older? Do you own an IRA? Are you interested in helping the Foothills Caring Corps as well as benefitting yourself?

The IRA Charitable Rollover has been extended through 2011. You may transfer up to \$100,000 directly from your IRA to qualified charities like Foothills Caring Corps. The distribution will count toward fulfilling your required minimum distribution from your IRA and can be excluded from your gross income for both federal and state tax purposes—benefitting both you and the Foothills Caring Corps.

Why Foothills Caring Corps?

The extension of the charitable IRA rollover means that you can help secure the future of the Foothills Caring Corps, benefit from significant tax savings, and be part of the Annual Campaign by making a distributions to FCC now.

For further information, please contact Debbra Determan at Foothills Caring Corps.

<u>DebbraD@FoothillsCaringCorps.com</u> 480.488.1105

Sign-up for these Important Dates



AED/CPR classes will be held on the following dates:

Wednesday, January 11, 2012 Thursday, February 23, 2012

The classes will be held at the Carefree Fire Station from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Donations toward the \$20 fee requested. We need to have 10 people signed up for each class to make it a productive class. It is critical that all volunteers be trained in AED & CPR. With the new guidelines and methods, this class is guite valuable for all of you to feel comfortable to do something when someone needs help. Nancy at 480.488.1105 e-mail, or NancyC@foothillscaringcorps.com to reserve space.

Fingerprinting

Fingerprinting will be handled on an individual basis for the next couple of months. Please contact Nancy Cohrs for further details if you are interested in be-



ing fingerprinted. Call Nancy at 480.488.1105 or e-mail, NancyC@foothillscaringcorps.com. Specific times for finger-printing will resume in February.

2012 Healthy Living Workshops are scheduled

for the following dates:

(Learning to live with chronic conditions)

January 10 January 31
January 17 February 7
January 24 February 14

9:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Light of the Desert Lutheran Church 33175 N. Cave Creek Road in Cave Creek







An Evening of Fun and New Friendships

Pirates, Cats and a Bumblebee were among the "Creatures" spotted at the Caring Corps' annual "Mask" querade Ball held October 29th at el Pedregal. Face painting by Diamond

Duryea and cocktails were followed by an evening of dining and dancing. No wallflowers at this event when it came to dancing thanks to the professional Phoenix USA

Dance hosts and the professional instruction by Maggee Tennessen accompanied by the music of the Sonoran Serenade Big Band. We truly were all "dancing with the stars" as we dined on a wonderful meal prepared by The Boulders.

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It was an evening of fun and new friendships. I kept hearing "can't wait until next year, maybe next year I will wear a costume" and all of this to benefit the Caring Corps! So if you missed it this year plan early and start looking for (not compulsory) a costume.

> Diane Straus Caring Corps' Volunteer

Donna Taylor, Door Prize Winner A gift of a Golf Foursome from the Boulders

A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU TO THE "MASK" QUERADE SPONSORS:

Heritage at Carefree, Tom and Diane Might,

R.O.I. Properties, Lane & Nach, P.C. and Northern Trust.





Foothills Caring Corps Golf Tournament



Fun, food, friends, beautiful greens, prizes and a little competition. Those were all in abundance at the Mirabel golf course November 21st during Foothills Caring Corps' first golf tournament. More than 80 players got up one chilly, gray Monday and started their day with a wonderful breakfast at Mirabel. After a 10:00 a.m. scramble start, the sun



came out and the play became lively. With a few stops at the food stations along the way and a silent prayer before the sixth hole, the course was mastered by some and managed by all. No one walked away with the BMW but many left with wonderful prizes and mementos of their day. A very special thank you to our **Title Sponsor The Wetter Family Foundation** with a big thank you to all sponsors including; John and Jill Ford, William and Marilyn Getz, Charles and Alice Palmer, Dick and Jean Segil, Peter and Carolyn Slocum, Vaughn and Eleanore Beals, Cypress HomeCare Solutions, Charles and Barbara Geer, Roger and Erika Greaves, Gates and Mary Ellen Hawn, Steve and Sandy Ketterer, Paul Schilling, Joyce Shansby, Rod and Roz Skillman, John and Leslie Turner and Jim and Jane Wayne.





The special day netted \$72,127 for the programs of the Foothills

Caring Corps. To all the players and volunteers, a thank you for making the day so much fun and such an unexpected



financial success!! Kudos to the Planning Committee consisting of: John Arant, Pat Dalton, Ruth Evans, Jill Ford, Steve Ketterer Robin Kilbane, June Reilly, Dick and Jean Segil, Joyce Shansby, Rod and Roz Skillman and Clyde Wyant.

A special thank you to the Chairperson Steve Ketterer and along with him we must highlight two people who helped make this

event a success. Jean Segil stepped in to chair the committee for several months for Steve and did an outstanding



job. Dick Segil led the sponsorship committee to its victorious glory with \$69,875 in sponsorship funds.

An outstanding event at the Mirabel golf course is only possible with a well-organized team of staff.

Wonderful accommodations!! Thank you to:

Mirabel and Staff, Mike Ryan, Shawn Chappel,





The Board of Directors of Foothills Caring Corps, the staff, volunteers and the Neighbors who receive our services thank you and appreciate your generosity.

David Engram and Kiersten Cole.



