

FOOTHILLS CARING CORPS NEWS

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MAY 2016

2nd Annual Mae's Tea Party



May is a wonderful time to remember Mothers. **Thank you Moms!** Some of our Neighbors and Volunteers do not get a chance for celebration because of location and logistics. To usher in May and to jump start our honoring of Mothers, Foothills Caring Corps, celebrated at our second Annual Mae Tea Party in the outdoor Sanderson Pavilion in downtown Carefree on April 29th. Anne's (our volunteer and supporter) honoring of her mother, Mae, gave FCC the special funds to contract with the English Rose Tea Room so we could throw a party for those Moms we're involved with. Homemade scones, tea sandwiches, tea and yummy deserts along with entertainment by the Adaptive Force Performing Arts made the mid-morning event spectacular. It was delightful to see how the young dancers mingled and enjoyed the interaction with the audience. It was also good to see joy in the dancers eyes while they danced in admiration and a glow in the eyes of our guests while they watched this magical morning unfold. Happy Mother's Day to all! A special thank you to the Good Shepherd of the Hills Episcopal Church Women's Group for the donated door prizes. What a treat for FCC Neighbors to find purses filled with goodies.



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Students with Adaptive Force Performing Arts

Lives are changed with Precious Moments, Visits, Conversations



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Matt York Photography



Through the Eyes of a Volunteer... *Friendly Visiting*

Bottom line... As a volunteer you receive much more than you give. Giving back in this way for all the blessings I have received in my life has been personally rewarding beyond any expectations.

There is no boiler plate volunteer, no template to follow. But, I found three criteria that are important for a visiting volunteer to have:

- Enjoyment of people
- Interest in communicating and listening
- Patience and flexibility

The first two were easy for me. I always seem to find something to like and/or to find interesting about every Neighbor. Most are elderly and have a wealth of experiences to share. I benefit from their wisdom.

Also, those who know me will attest to the fact I enjoy talking and am an attentive listener as well. Listening

is especially important in order to understand the particular needs of each Neighbor.

But, I have always been a bit shy on patience. And the ability to be flexible to the changing needs of a Neighbor goes along with that. Being a Caring Corps volunteer has taught me not only the necessity but the value of being patient and to adjust to unexpected issues. My family is very grateful for this... so am I.

Finally, we as visiting volunteers appreciate the incredible job Foothills Caring Corps does in matching volunteers with Neighbors. In our opinion, they outdo eharmony.com. I enjoy several long term relationships from the Neighbors I've met and even stay in touch with one who has moved away.

I am so grateful I heard about the volunteer opportunities at Foothills Caring Corps when I moved here from the east coast several years ago.

My association with this valuable organization has enriched my life enormously.

*Anne Dobbs
FCC Volunteer*

Still More from Mae's Tea Party

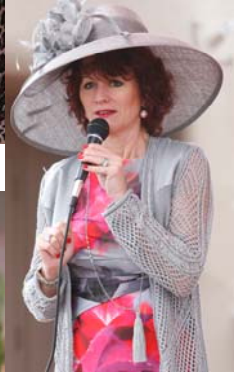


Thank you to our Partner Congregation for the donated door prizes at Mae's Tea Party.



Good Shepherd of the Hills Episcopal Church's Purse Project brought joy to our participants faces. FCC was

honored to be one of the non-profits selected to receive the collected/stuffed purses. Each year the church donates purses filled with a variety of toiletries, jewelry and necessities. The purses were adorned with a beautiful scarf which made for a delightful gift.



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Let's Make 2016 - 2017 Outstanding for Foothills Caring Corps



You may have seen me in prior newsletters. I have gone from the co-Chair of the Planned Giving Committee for Foothills Caring Corps (FCC) to the Chair of the Board of Directors. I am excited about the future of FCC and advancing my passion for

FCC. While on the Planned Giving Committee, I had the opportunity to assist FCC in moving toward a more secure financial future. This is an incredibly important task that remains in the hands of a very capable committee. Now, however, I get to focus not only on the financial future, but also securing the needs of our "Neighbors."

FCC is in place to provide services and transportation for members of our community who, without FCC, may not get at least one hot meal a day, a friendly visitor or transportation to appointments or social events. FCC is here to ensure that our Neighbors are not lonely or alone.

The work of FCC would not be possible without the generosity of hundreds of volunteers who drive vans, visit Neighbors, change lightbulbs, add grab bars to bathrooms, set up equipment for our events, stuff envelopes, serve the loan closet and so many other tasks. FCC is an organization created solely and exclusively to support OUR neighbors and OUR community.

I know you will continue to support the Caring Corps, both financially and as a volunteer. Please stop by the office and say thank you to Debba and her team, drop off a check or even a gift card we can use for office supplies or to a home improvement store to be used for our home repair program. Each of us is a potential neighbor who may need services in the future—pay it forward today by supporting FCC in any way that fits your budget and your lifestyle.

Thank you to Debba for her amazing leadership, to our Neighbors for allowing us to serve you, to our volunteers, to the Board and all of the committee members and to you for your support of FCC!

Emily Kile

FCC Board President

Foothills Caring Corps Special Contributions

January - April 2016

Memorials Given in Memory of:

Terry Bartlett

Anonymous Donor

Lucy Bestrop

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John Diller

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Wayne and Nancy Fulcher

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Neil and Kathy King and Family

Gary and Amy Neiss

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Gail Simmons

John and Darlene Skarda

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Margaret Sorensen

Tributes in Honor of:

Philip and Marian Abramowitz

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Let us know your druthers. Thank you!

Bettyo@foothillscaringcorps.com

"Esteban Under the Stars"

Saturday, May 21, 2016



The popular Concert Series at el Pedregal, concludes with a special finale "Esteban Under the Stars". The renown guitarist Esteban will perform on Saturday, May 21st, from 7-9:30 p.m. at el Pedregal at the Boulders Resort, 34505 N. Scottsdale Road. The concert is made possible by promoter Soho International. A portion of the proceeds benefit Foothills Caring Corps, a non-profit promoting independence and enhancing

the quality of life for older residents throughout the Foothills community.



For online ticket sales, please go to <http://esteban-elpedregal.bpt.me>

**Come Join the 6th Annual
Foothills Caring Corps Golf Tournament
at Mirabel ~ November 14, 2016**



**8:30 am
Continental Breakfast
and Registration**

**10:00 am
Shotgun Start**

**2:30 pm
Hors d'oeuvres Reception
Silent Auction / Raffle Items
Golf Prizes and Awards**

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**FOOTHILLS
CaringCORPS**

**The following Support Groups
meet at**

Desert Mission United
Methodist Church
7373 N. Dixileta Drive, Scottsdale
480.595.1814

**North Scottsdale
Alzheimer's Support Group**
Second & Fourth Wednesdays

May 25
June 8
June 22
July 13
10:30 am - 12 pm

Parkinson's Support Group

First Thursdays
June 2
July 7
August 4
10:30 am - 12 pm

FCC Dates to Remember

Volunteer Orientation

Second Thursdays
June 9
July 14
August 11
9-11 am
Suite B101

**Van Transportation
Training - Level I**

Third Thursdays
June 16
July 21
August 18
9-11 am
Suite B101



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"Challenges are what make life
interesting and overcoming
them is what makes life
meaningful."

Joshua J. Marine



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**Office will be closed in
observance of Memorial Day,
Monday, May 30th.**