

**Sun City PRIDES  
Membership Meeting  
October 7, 2017**

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Ritchie Miller in President Ken Smith's absence.

Pledge of Allegiance was given.

New members: There is one new member in Phase I, one new member in Phase II and two new members in Phase III.

**Minutes:**

Grace Kinsey made a motion to approve the minutes of the May Membership meeting. Mike Will seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Ritchie presented a report covering the past five months since our last meeting.

**Reyes Lara, MCDOT, shared updates:**

Reyes introduced two new employees from the MCDOT office on Bell Road. Carisa Ham is a new office assistant, and Harold Mayes works with Oscar.

A team of two sprayers continue to attack weeds in Sun City. Soil samples taken from the area on Olive Avenue were found to have caliche, which is an accumulation of calcium carbonate that binds with other materials such as gravel, sand and nitrates. It is a non-toxic substance. Battery operated sprinklers for Del Webb Boulevard are still awaiting approval. Overseeding will begin this month.

**Information:**

Ritchie read a letter from Carol Thompson, daughter of Vern and Carol Howland, early members of the PRIDES for whom our building is named. Ms. Thompson thanked us for honoring her mother at this year's Appreciation Luncheon.

Ritchie thanked Jeannie Dircks for her leadership in compiling the monthly volunteers hours and submitting them to MCDOT.

Vunteers are needed for the continental breakfast before each monthly meeting. Francine Jennings and Susan Klawitter are stepping down after years of providing coffee and snacks for us. Thank you, Francine and Susan.

Ritchie and the Phase Coordinators thanked those PRIDES who were here throughout the summer months and continued to work to keep Sun City beautiful.

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MCDOT does not remove dead animals. If you find a dead critter in your area, call Maricopa County Animal Control at 602-506-7387.

Our Phase I Coordinator Rosemary Lynch recently received the 2017 Ruth Byrne Historic Preservation Award from the Glendale City Council. She was selected for her efforts in the preservation of Glendale's historic heritage, no doubt put forth with the same enthusiasm that she devotes to the PRIDES.

Dorothy Vollmer reported that she has purchased refrigerator magnets, orange shopping bags and orange pens to be handed out at promotional events.

The money jar was won by Linda Owen.

The next meeting will be on November 4, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosie Swain  
Secretary