

**Sun City PRIDES
Membership Meeting
April 5, 2025**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by President John Terko.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Tim and Amy Nixon of The Nixon Group presented a check to the PRIDES in the amount of \$1748.00, money donated during their recent shred-a-thon. John accepted the check and thanked them for the gift.

March Minutes:

The minutes of the March Membership meeting were read. John Gerlach moved to accept the minutes, Fay Knowles seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Income for the month of March was \$312.24. Expenses were \$8,347.25. Checking account balance ending March 31, 2025 is \$23,805.76. Morgan Stanley balance as of March 31, 2025 is \$656,997.39. The report will be placed on file for audit.

Phase Updates:

Elizabeth Ledyard read notes from Kevin Herakovitch, who could not be at the meeting. 18 replacement trees were planted along Peoria, 107th and Alabama, and three flowering trees on Peoria near 110th. 10 Arbor Day trees were planted along Peoria at 105th. Kevin thanked all who helped with this project. He expressed concern about the irrigation system in PRIDES' Park and the watering schedule for the new trees. Cheri Marchio (Phase 2) has three new members. She recognized her rock stars – Al Dirx and Mike Wills. Val Bedoe (Phase 3) reported that the County is working on the irrigation system along Del Webb, and the plants have been ordered. She reminded us all to report our monthly hours to our Phase Coordinators.

Ken Smith recognized former PRIDES member Jerry Kavanaugh, who recently turned 84 years old. Jerry joined the PRIDES in 2009 and was a tireless team member. He also served a number of years on the Board of Directors.

SCHOA's Day of Service:

More than 150 volunteers, many of them PRIDES, worked together to clean up 13 properties in Sun City. Several landscaping companies also volunteered to remove large trees and debris.

Roads & Safety:

Cindy distributed forms from the MCSO to be used for reporting traffic issues. There were many compliments on the new Sun City flag at the meeting. The Sheriff had 592 calls in Sun City in February. The Posse has 268 medical calls, 160 other calls and 258 vacation watch checks. The Posse's Color Guard participated in the PRIDES' Arbor Day ceremony. There was no fire report.

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Education Committee:

Molly reported that they will have three presentations this month, but probably no more until the fall.

Beautification Committee/Arbor Day:

Russ reported that Arbor Day went well. Metal ocotillo have been placed on either sides of the new entrance signs on Bell and at 99th/Beardsley. A monument is being developed for PRIDES' Park. The committee will meet on April 16th and will start planning for the summer.

County Update:

The County wants us to discuss Zeroscape.

Leadership Coalition:

The Posse will hold a drug takeback/shred-a-thon on April 26. MCSO's Sgt Brian Stutzman is being transferred. RCSC are currently servicing 120 residents through their foundation. Matthew D'Luzansky is no longer the general manager of RCSC. Fire & Medical will soon begin charging \$350 for ambulance service if the patient is not transported to a medical facility. If the patient is transported, Medicare will cover the charges. The flags at Grand/107th will be taken down for the summer during a celebratory folding ceremony at 1:00 p.m. on Memorial Day. The Posse Color Guard will take part in the event.

There was a glitch with our website, and new membership application forms were going off into cyber space. We are pleased to report that the problem has been corrected.

The money jar was won by Mary Hodgden.

The next meeting will be held on May 3, 2025.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Rosie Swain