



SERENADE NEWSLETTER

July 2025

website: serenadeacc.com



CALENDAR:

July 4 Serenade July 4th Potluck, noon – 4pm.
29350 Lake Forest Dr., see article.

June 28, July 26, Aug. 30, Sept. 27:
Serenade Breakfast, Black Bear, 9am

PLEASE WELCOME NEW NEIGHBORS:

Tricia and Kerri Danielson

Have you moved into Serenade in the last year or so? Let us know so that we can welcome you.

IN MEMORIAM:



Our deepest sympathies to our neighbors who have lost loved ones. If you have lost a loved one or know of a neighbor who has passed, please let us know so we can honor them here.

ARE YOU RECEIVING EMAILS FROM SERENADE?

If you're not, please consider getting on our list, because you're missing a lot of insider neighborhood information. We won't fill your inbox with junk, no ads, no politics, no pressure. We simply keep you up-to-date on our own local Serenade Community, like occasional reminders of the neighborhood garage sales, holiday caroling, potlucks, and monthly breakfasts. Please email SerenadeClubs55@gmail.com or call/text (928) 920-1228 to get on the list.

JULY 4th SERENADE COMMUNITY POTLUCK! This year's Serenade Community party features a pool and spa, so get ready to wade in and cool off! If you live in Serenade, you and your family are invited! It's at 29350 Lake Forest Drive. We'll make you a nametag – come share a potluck meal with new friends! The covered back patio with misters and fans will be in the shade all day, or you can sit in the A/C inside (restrooms available). No need to bring chairs or tables; there's seating for 70. Bring a covered dish, salad, dessert, drinks, or ice, or drop off hotdogs, hamburgers, or buns the day before. RSVP (951) 750-9200 and leave a message with your name and what you're bringing.

HOME SERVICES RECOMMENDATIONS? Are you good at compiling information? Could you help create a list of recommended home services for Serenade? The emails, calls, and texts that we at Serenade receive most often are requests for recommendations for various types of home services, like remodeling, various types of repairs,

drywall, duct cleaning, plumbing, flooring, fencing, yardwork, irrigation systems, electrical, but also caregiving, housecleaning, and the lists go on and on. What Serenade neighbors want is a list of people or companies that other people in our neighborhood have actually used and highly recommend. If you'd consider helping with this project, please email SerenadeClubs55@gmail.com. We'll solicit the data; you'd just sort it, create a template for it, and update it when/as needed.

SEEKING SERENADE WEBMASTER: We built the Serenade 55+ Community website in WordPress in 2022 with the domain name of SerenadeACC.com, and it's up and running. But it needs someone with more skills and more free time than the current administrator has. Please check out our website, and if you wince or groan at it, we'd love to let you tweak it, update it, add or delete stuff, or give it a complete overhaul. Please email Jane at SerenadeClubs55@gmail.com if you're even a little bit interested in improving it.

LET'S TALK ABOUT THE BRADLEY BRIDGE! Yes, construction of a 365-foot bridge across Salt Creek is scheduled to begin in July. According to Carlos Geronimo, Principal Engineer with the City of Menifee, Bradley Road will be closed between Potomac and Rio Vista (just south of the creek) as of August 6, and the City of Menifee website indicates that it will remain closed for at least 12 to 14 months. Once built, the bridge will be two-lane, with sidewalks and shoulders on each side. The shoulders will also serve as bicycle and e-bike lanes. According to the City website, during the construction period "a temporary bypass road is not feasible," nor is "constructing the bridge one lane at a time." We spoke personally with Mr. Geronimo and he provided the following information that directly affects the residents of Serenade Community:

1. At some point, access to Potomac will be closed on both sides of Bradley, since the intersection will be raised 3 feet. It is not possible to move the traffic signal from its current location at the Salt Creek Trail and Bradley to the intersection of Bradley and Potomac, because the law requires a full 15-foot width at all points of the trail, and there could never be sufficient space for that because of private homes on both sides of Bradley. By the way, the trail is under the jurisdiction of the Riverside County Regional Park and Open-Space District, not the City of Menifee.

2. But, Mr. Geronimo says that a traffic signal HAS been approved for the intersection of Bradley and Potomac at some point (not sure when).

Impact fees and funding are being evaluated, but he says that those shouldn't be significant enough to squash the project.

3. Salt Creek Trail will be blocked off at a spot just west of the I-215 underpass and will be closed between that spot and a spot adjacent to Desert Hills Road (west of Bradley on Potomac). Cyclists, runners, and other users of Salt Creek Trail coming from the east will be diverted through a flood control gate onto Potomac and Dorsey. The trail will continue across Dorsey and down Pebble Beach, crossing Bradley, and turning left on Desert Hills. Salt Creek Trail users can reenter the actual trail at Desert Hills Road through another flood control gate.

4. Currently, the policy is that those two gates will be open 24/7 and closed only when/if needed by Riverside County Flood Control & Water Conservation District.

5. A flashing traffic signal will be installed on both sides of Bradley at Pebble Beach. It will be triggered to flash manually by pedestrians, cyclists, and other Salt Creek Trail users, in order to cross Bradley safely. It won't be a full-service signal, with yellow, red, and green lights, but just flashing lights, like the crossing for golf carts on Murrieta Road near Worcester Road.

SERENADE SENIOR FITNESS CLASS ENDED: We're sorry to announce that this class, which met for three months from January to March, had to end when the temperatures started heating up. It was a lot of fun and the participants all seemed to enjoy it.

COME TO SERENADE'S MONTHLY BREAKFAST: Since 2022, Serenade neighbors have been meeting at a local restaurant for breakfast on the last Saturday of each month. New neighbors come nearly every month, and it's fun to get to know each other. Recently they've settled on meeting only at Black Bear Diner, since they can always be seated quickly and at a big table together – and the food is great!

BLOCK CAPTAINS: If you are new to Serenade, you may not know about our Block Captains/ Neighborhood Watch program, which is in place to watch out for vulnerable elderly or disabled neighbors. Block Captains contact the residents in 10 or so homes nearby, ask for emergency contact info, and provide their own phone number. In an emergency, they contact Block Captain Chairman Brian Engelhardt, who takes charge. He's a retired police officer and a Menifee PD volunteer. Linda Davis helps elderly or disabled neighbors apply for the You.Are.Not.Alone program at the Menifee PD. *We need volunteers!* Brian (619) 921-0384; Linda (928) 830-7131 or zladyd@aol.com.

ALL RESIDENTS, NEW OR OTHERWISE: We Serenade residents (owners and renters) are lucky to enjoy the benefits of an HOA without paying a monthly fee, as most 55+ HOA residents do. Because we follow our CC&Rs, which regulate the appearance, maintenance, and use of the homes in our community, our property values remain high. You should have received a copy of the Serenade

CC&Rs from your escrow company or real estate agent. If you need a copy, please go to our website, SerenadeACC.com to download the documents in PDF format, or write us for a printed copy at Serenade ACC, P.O. Box 2324, Menifee CA 92586 or SerenadeACC@gmail.com.

SERENADE WEBSITES: If you have questions about the protocols, CC&Rs, and laws that apply to living in the Serenade Community, please refer to our website, www.SerenadeACC.com. You can find our bulletin board there, with recommendations for services, and so on. You'll see descriptions and photographs of various unofficial clubs that meet, as well as interesting neighborhood events. If you want to meet your neighbors through social media, we also have a Facebook group and two NextDoor groups. For instructions on how to join those groups, see the April 2024 newsletter: Go to serenadeacc.com and click Newsletter tab, or call (928) 920-1228.

DONATIONS AND SUPPORT: We residents pay no dues, but Serenade still must bear the costs of maintaining the benefits of a 55+ community. We always need your donations to keep our 55+ HOA status and in support of our CC&Rs. ANY amount is appreciated to cover expenses such as meeting room rent, P.O. box rental, postage, tax services, newsletter printing, office supplies, and attorney fees. Please make checks payable to: Serenade ACC, PO Box 2324, Menifee 92586.

CLUBS & ACTIVITIES: For updated information, see the Serenade website for descriptions and a calendar, or email SerenadeClubs55@gmail.com.

Tuesdays: Bunco, 1st Tues, 1pm, 29350 Lake Forest

Wednesdays: Coffee & (Classic) Cars, 3rd Wednesday
9-11 am, Joyful Noise Coffee, Sun City

Joyful Feet line-dancing, Weds., 10am, Cenicerros Ctr
Ladies' Bible Study has suspended meeting until
further notice.

Thursdays: Card Games (learners welcome), 1pm,
2nd Thursdays, 29350 Lake Forest

Poker, 1st Thursdays, 1pm, 29350 Lake Forest

Club de Hispanohablantes, 2nd Thursdays, 6pm,
29884 Pebble Beach

Saturdays: Monthly Breakfast, 9am, last Saturdays,
Black Bear Diner

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