



SERENADE NEWSLETTER

July 2026

website: serenadeacc.com

Serenade ACC, PO Box 2324, Menifee 92586
Donations welcome!



CALENDAR:

- July 25, Aug.29, Sept.26: Serenade Breakfast,**
last Sat. of month, Black Bear 9am
- July 4th Serenade July 4 Potluck,**12-4pm
29350 Lake Forest, fans, misters
- Oct. 15-17 Fall Community Garage Sale**
Th-Sat, 8am-2pm each day, no fee.
Call (951) 750-9200 for item pickup
after sales are over; goes to charity.

PLEASE WELCOME NEW NEIGHBORS:

Frances & Juan Baez, Terrytown Road
Carol Baello, Potomac Drive

Have you moved into the Serenade 55+ Community in the last year or so? Let us know!

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.

NEW ENERGY FOR NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH:

Serenade 55+ Community has a long history of active involvement with National Neighborhood Watch, a program that helps local communities reduce crime and improve public safety through neighborhood Block Captains. According to the City of Menifee, Neighborhood Watch is a “collaborative effort between communities and their police department.” Since 1992, scores of Serenade residents have donated their energy and time as Block Captains, while others recruited volunteers and kept the program organized. Soon, the Menifee Police Dept. will be supporting our efforts by assigning one of their Problem-Oriented Policing Team to meet with our Block Captains on a regular basis. At those meetings, the POP officer will provide trainings on how we can “better protect [our]selves and address local issues.” But having the help of MPD isn’t the only new energy in Neighborhood Watch.

The ACC Board is pleased to announce that Sean Kevany, a longtime Serenade resident on Terrytown, is taking over as the Chair of the Serenade 55+ Community’s Neighborhood Watch/Block Captains program. You may have seen him out walking his three beautiful dogs. Sean is highly qualified for this position; he served proudly as a Marine stateside and in Desert Shield/Desert Storm, then as a Marine contractor in Afghanistan, and as a police officer in New Orleans during the Katrina hurricane.

He has now been employed for 11 years as a corrections officer at the Southwest Detention Center in Murrieta. Sean is eager to get started on his duties: to meet with our current volunteer Block Captains, recruit and on-board new Block Captains, and maintain records. He is interested in updating our Neighborhood Watch signs. Sean comments that, “As a neighborhood we need to be more aware and report things, like auto thefts, residential burglaries, and scammers – for example, people who call you or knock on your door. They might pressure you to buy something or worse, pretend to be a law enforcement officer and demand that you Zelle money to the Riverside Sheriff’s Dept. We pay a lot of taxes for police services. When we have a problem, we need to let them know. If you feel uncomfortable making the call, reach out to me and I’ll help.” If you have questions about connecting with your Block Captain, or about volunteering as a Block Captain, email him at lav_dragoon@yahoo.com or leave a message for him at 504-352-8010. Many thanks to our outgoing Chair, Brian Engelhardt, a retired police officer from El Cajon, for his years of service to Serenade. Brian has returned to full-time employment and needs to focus on that.

AGE VERIFICATION: Please watch your (actual) mailbox for age verification forms, coming soon.

SAT., JULY 4TH SERENADE POTLUCK! Serenade is so fortunate to have a cool place for a potluck. It will again take place at Karen and Bruce Morris’s lovely home at the corner of Lake Forest and Terrytown from 12-4pm. There’s seating inside and on their back patio, which is completely covered and has fans and misters. No matter what the temperature, we’ll stay cool. No need to RSVP. Please bring a side dish, salad, or dessert. There are a few steps up to the front door, so call (707) 363-1999 if you’re using a walker or wheelchair and would like to come through the RV gate. Please come!

WELCOME TOM, OUR SERENADE WEBMASTER:

We are so lucky that in April 2025, Tom Knight, his wife Darla, and their granddaughter Jessica, a strong advocate for rights for the disabled, moved into Serenade. Tom has volunteered to help maintain the Serenade website, which is badly in need of attention! He first expressed

interest in updating the *Newsletter* page, which he had tried to access and realized was sorely out of date, and which he has now updated. Currently the *Bulletin Board* page is his area of focus for revision and updating. If you have any suggestions for changes or improvements to the website, contact him through SerenadeClubs55@gmail.com. Tom indicates, by the way, that his background is not as a webmaster/web developer and that he is learning “on-the-fly” and by trial-and-error. Thanks, Tom!

BRADLEY BRIDGE UPDATE: According to the City of Menifee website, as of late June, the Bradley Bridge project is 75% complete and on track for a late September 2026 opening. Crews recently poured 630 cubic yards of concrete on the bridge deck, supported by nearly 200,000 pounds of rebar. Southside storm drain work is wrapping up, and crews are finishing the bridge deck falsework and structural alignments. The bridge will have two vehicle lanes, dedicated bicycle lanes, and continuous sidewalks.

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, 9am at Black Bear Diner.

CC&Rs REMINDER FOR ALL RESIDENTS: We Serenade 55+ residents (owners and renters) are lucky to enjoy the benefits of an HOA without paying a monthly fee. We are legally classified by the State of California as a 55+ HOA. As such, we are required to follow our CC&Rs, which are attached to every home and property in Serenade. The CC&Rs regulate the appearance, maintenance, and use of the homes in our community. Because almost all of residents abide by our CC&Rs, our property values remain extremely high. You should have received a copy of the Serenade 55+ CC&Rs from your escrow company, real estate agent, or landlord. If you need a copy, go to our website, SerenadeACC.com, and click on the SACC tab, and download the documents in PDF format. You can also write us at Serenade ACC, PO Box 2324, Menifee, CA 92586, or email us at SerenadeACC@gmail.com. If you have questions about the protocols, CC&Rs, and laws that apply to living in the Serenade 55+ Community, first explore our website, www.SerenadeACC.com. If you feel like a neighbor is violating our CC&Rs, first go to <https://menifeepolice.org/code-enforcement>. Your specific complaint may be covered by a Menifee city code, so you could file an official complaint with the City. If you’re not clear what to do, explain the situation in an email or letter to our SACC board.

SERENADE 55+ WEBSITES: You can find our own bulletin board at www.SerenadeACC.com, as well as descriptions and photographs of various unofficial groups and clubs that meet, and fun and interesting neighborhood events. Under the SACC tab you’ll find the CC&Rs, plus extensive information about how our community functions as a legal entity,

including downloadable PDFs. If you want to meet your neighbors through social media, we also have a Facebook group and two NextDoor groups, where Serenade 55+ residents who join can see each other’s photos and communicate with one another. For both forums, you’ll type in the search terms “Serenade 55+ Community Sun City CA.” Anyone who wants admission into the Facebook group must type in their street address to prove that they actually live in the Serenade 55+ Community. Also, our NextDoor group posts that the group is “currently restricted to residents of the Serenade 55+ community.” To find either the Facebook or NextDoor group, you must be logged in. In NextDoor, click Discover (at your left). In NextDoor, scroll down until you see the heading “Groups.”

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.

SERENADE CLUBS & ACTIVITIES: For information and descriptions, email SerenadeClubs55@gmail.com, go to www.serenadeacc.com, or text 928-920-1228.

Tuesdays:

Bunco, 3rd Tuesdays, 5pm, 29350 Lake Forest Drive

Wednesdays:

Soul Line Dancing, Basic Beginners, Wed., 9:30am &

10:35am, Kay Cenicerros Senior Center, \$5/class

Coffee & (Classic) Cars, 3rd Wednesdays, 9-11 am,

Joyful Noise Coffee, Sun City

Thursdays:

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

Poker, 1pm, 4th Thursdays, 29350 Lake Forest Drive

Club de Hispanohablantes, 6pm, 2nd Thursdays,

29884 Pebble Beach Drive

Saturdays:

Monthly Breakfast, 9am, last Sat. Black Bear Diner

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