

Sunburst Farms Co-Op Kicks Off 2022!

The newly elected SFCC Board has been busy making preparations for an outstanding 2022! As part of their efforts to promote communication and connections within and around the Farms, planning is already underway for several SFCC-sponsored events. And there are more to come! Take a moment to add the events listed below to your calendar and plan to meet new friends, reminisce with old ones, and make amazing memories with both!

For Sunburst Farms youth ages 12 to high school seniors, these events offer many opportunities to volunteer and be eligible to apply for the SFCC Scholarship Program this spring.

FEBRUARY

We LOVE Our Volunteers Potluck & Party - Saturday, 2/12/2022 from 1pm to 4pm

This party is for anyone who has volunteered in the past, present, or wants to volunteer this year! We look forward to seeing the many volunteers who've helped make our community so special as well as meeting new volunteers who want to share their talents with us!

Location: 4209 W. Banff Ln., Phoenix AZ 85053

MARCH

Sunburst Farm's St. Patrick's Day Party – Thursday, 3/17/2022 from 4pm to 7pm

Join us for some traditional Irish food at our St. Patrick's Day party in March!

Location: 4152 W. Waltann Ln., Phoenix AZ 85053

APRIL

SFCC Easter Egg Hunt & Party – Saturday, 4/9/2022 from 9am to 12pm

Relay races, coloring contest, and of course, the EGG HUNT! Bring your children and grandchildren to the annual Easter Egg Hunt & Party for a morning of good old fashioned family fun!

Location: 5036 W. Banff Ln., Glendale AZ 85306

SUNBURST FARMS CO-OP MONTHLY MEETINGS will be held the first Thursday of each month at the Sunburst Farms Irrigation District offices located at 16040 N. 43rd Avenue, Glendale AZ 85306. **The next meeting is Thursday, February 3, 2022 at 6pm – all residents welcome!**

2022 SUNBURST FARMS Co-OP BOARD

- * Dawn DeFord, *President*
- * Dawn Gallager, *Vice President*
- * Dawn Marie Peabody, *Treasurer*
- * Bianca Brems, *Secretary*
- * Cyndi Black, *Member*
- * Cameron Chandler, *Member*
- * Anthony Chase, *Member*
- * Julie Evens, *Member*
- * Emily Harrison, *Member*
- * Lola Keller, *Member*
- * Roger McCannon, *Member*
- * Loretta Price, *Member*
- * Pam Stevenson, *Member*

SUPPORT TEAM

- ♦ Martyn Price, *SFCC Webmaster*
- ♦ Misty Wickizer-Jernigan, *SFCC Scholarship Chair & Newsletter Editor*

IRRIGATION CHANGES?

Please contact the office via email at manager@sbfidphx.com or sign up at the boards on the lines before 10am on Wednesday's before your irrigation week for any changes. You can also call the office at (602) 938-8760, M-F between 8am and 4pm.

2021 SFCC HOLIDAY HAYRIDES

Thank you to everyone who made the hayrides such a success! Over 100 people participated each night and we would like to thank our hosts once again for opening their homes to us. Dana & Jeremy Mack and Julie & Steve Evens – we appreciate you!



NEW COMMUNITY ACTION OFFICER

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A Message from Sunburst Farms Community Cooperative President

Hello...to those of you I haven't met yet, my name is Dawn DeFord, I live on 42nd Avenue and Banff Lane and have lived in the Farms 22 years this coming June. I worked in the Orthodontic field for 35 years and have been a Real Estate Agent for the last 13 years. My goal as President this year is to promote **Communication and Connections**. I would like to make our organization more fun with more activities and parties so we can get to know our neighbors better and truly become a real "**Community**." We all are so extremely lucky to live in a neighborhood such as ours where we can have our animals and livestock in our "back yards" and enjoy gorgeous sunrises and sunsets looking out over the green acres filled with trees and grass. I feel so grateful! I am looking forward to serving this year and hope lots more of you will become members of the SFCC and join us in the fun!



We held our 1st meeting of this **NEW YEAR** in our **NEW Meeting place**, the Sunburst Farms Irrigation District Office on the southwest corner of 43rd Ave. and Paradise. We have also decided to move our meetings to the **1st Thursday of each month**. Maybe those people who couldn't attend on Wednesday, will be able to attend our meetings now. We had 20 people come to our 1st meeting and while the meeting was in progress, everyone was stuffing envelopes to send to all the Farm's homeowners about membership in our group, which is \$35.00 per year. These envelopes will be going out shortly and I would really like to encourage lots more people in the Farms to join the Sunburst Farms Community Cooperative, SFCC for short.

There are many benefits to joining the SFCC: free admission to all of the parties and activities including the St. Patrick's Day Party on March 17th, 2022, the In-Person Easter Egg Hunt & Party on April 9th 2022, and the Holiday Hayrides in December 2022. Our 1st Annual "WE LOVE OUR VOLUNTEERS" Party / Potluck on Saturday February 12th from 1-4pm for anyone who has volunteered in the past, present or wants to volunteer this year.

Some of the ideas for activities for this year are 1-2 Breakfast Trail Rides to Paseo Park, a dog/mutt show with micro chipping event at Acoma Park, monthly horse/trail ride at Horselover's Park, Brown's Ranch or Apache Wash Trailhead, an overnight horse camping trip to Groom Creek Horse Camp near Prescott, block party on Banff, neighborhood picnic, annual neighborhood yard sale in October and Street Fair on November 12th.

Our next meeting is Thursday February 3, 2022 at the Sunburst Irrigation District Office located 16040 N. 43rd Avenue in Glendale. Everyone is welcome and I hope to see you there!

1-17 Construction

Plan for Extended I-17 Ramp and Northbound Frontage Road Closures Beginning Jan. 16

The Arizona Department of Transportation advises drivers who use Interstate 17 in the area of Thunderbird and Greenway roads to plan for ramp closures beginning 10 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 16 and continuing through fall 2022.

Banana Peel Fertilizer

Chock full of organic potassium, banana peel fertilizer can play an important role in keeping your plants healthy and beautiful! For those growing tomatoes, peppers, cucumbers and radishes – banana peel fertilizer is nitrogen free, making it perfect for plants with low



nitrogen requirements. Added bonus: it's super easy to make at home.

Ingredients:

- Banana peels
- One-quart mason jar
- Mason jar lid
- Distilled water

Instructions:

- Add a banana peel to a clean jar.
- Fill the jar with water and put the lid on it.
- Let the concoction sit for a week to two weeks, then remove and discard the banana peel.
- Dilute the finished fertilizer with water in a 1:4 ratio.
- Enjoy happy plants and bigger yields.

Use:

Water your plants at the base with the diluted banana peel fertilizer once a week (note it can take a few weeks to see results, so be patient). For the best results, begin the growing season with this fertilizer and use it continually.

Source: "[Banana Peel Fertilizer](#)," Rural Sprout

Wrapping Up 2021

2022 is off to a good start! We have a new board and energetic new leadership. As we head into the New Year, I would like to finish up a few articles from 2021. We have many small businesses to support who participated in the SFCC Street Fair or that donated to the raffle items, and we will be featuring a couple each month.

The first business is 11 BRAVO Mobile Auto Glass. JJ and Amanda Maes have supported our community since the very first Street Fair.

They have helped and supported every event SFCC has had over the past four years. Their company will come to you and replace or fix any auto glass (they also offer tint and calibration). Thank you again for all your help at our events over the years as well as for donating the two beautiful baskets for our raffle at the 2021 SFCC Street Fair.



The Western Ranchman Store that delivers feed and supplies to the Sunburst Rescue found out we were looking for donations for our raffle through communications with Debra Lynn Lawrence who was chairing our raffle table. They did not hesitate to donate and responded very quickly to her communications. Located near 32nd Street and Greenway, the Western Ranchman Store delivers to Sunburst Farms - - please consider supporting this amazing feed store next time you need to shop for your animals.

Thank you for supporting these small businesses. And stay on the lookout for a list of these small businesses in future newsletters. ~ Loretta Price

11 BRAVO Mobile Auto Glass

JJ and Amanda Maes, Owners

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The Western Ranchman Store, Inc.

Amy Jonson

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A Very Special Thank You

I would like to introduce Roger McCannon to those who do not know him and explain why we appreciate him enough to write about him.

About six years ago, Roger offered his empty acre for a Co-op election/meeting and at that time it worked so well we asked if the holiday hayride flatbeds could be gathered there and decorated. Roger agreed and we have been decorating trailers for the hayrides at his place ever since. However, the past three years we have taken delivery of the squeeze of hay that is used for the hayride and after the rides, we sale the hay from his property, which works well for us since it is easily accessible.

Roger has spent most of his life in Sunburst Farms and has always been busy raising kids and working. Lately he has been more involved with the Co-Op and supports us at all the events and enjoys hanging out with us and Rachele, his significant other.

We appreciate all you do Roger and hope to see you at all the SFCC events for many, many more years!

Thank you!
Loretta



Staying Safe While Working From Home

With more and more of us working from home these days, below are some safety tips and best practices to keep you (and your home) safe.

Smoke Alarms: with an increase in electronics, consider installing an additional smoke alarm in your office. And remember to check the batteries regularly.

Fire Extinguishers: know where the closest one is and how to use it. Check it regularly to ensure it's charged.

Liquids + Electrical Equipment: avoid storing liquids next to anything electrical as the smallest spill could easily lead to a fire.



Cord Clutter: consider using power cord ties to corral those wild cords and to reduce the risk of fires or falls.

Water: make sure you're drinking enough to stay properly hydrated. Be sure to look after yourself by making time to eat a healthy lunch or snacks. Again, try to keep drinks away from your electronics.

Prevent Theft: practice good computer security by installing virus software, having strong passwords, and regularly backing up your files. For your equipment, consider installing an alarm with motion sensors and/or video surveillance to help safeguard your office space and its contents.



First Aid Kit: keep one handy as accidents can and do happen. Easy to access first aid kit means you can quickly fix up your injury and get back to work.

Source: "[Working From Home Safety Tips](#)," ADT

SUNBURST FARMS 2022 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

[February—April]

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BULK PICK UP SCHEDULE FOR AREA 2

PLACEMENT BEGINS

- FEBRUARY 19, 2022
- MAY 21, 2022
- AUGUST 20, 2022

COLLECTION BEGINS

- FEBRUARY 28, 2022
- MAY 30, 2022
- AUGUST 29, 2022

Sunburst Farms Community Cooperative

- ⇒ Vision: Neighbors working together to retain and enjoy the rural lifestyle of the Sunburst Farms Community.
- ⇒ Mission: Promote community spirit as well as a country lifestyle through communication, social events, education, and community involvement.
- ⇒ Values: To achieve our mission we value honesty, fairness, respect, cooperation, and participation.

For more information, visit www.sunburstfarmscc.com.