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President's Message

Things are definitely slowing down across the Valley as the summer heat engulfs us--121 degrees predicted for one day this week. We haven't seen that high of a temp for a few years.

The Board will not meet in July and this issue of the newsletter is a combined July-August issue. You'll find our events calendar sparser. There are no theater events scheduled for July and August. Culinary lunches are also on hiatus these two months. But you'll find movie, happy hour and Close Encounter events on the calendar and some *Live and Local Fridays* musical events at the Scottsdale Center for the Arts. I hope you'll brave the summer heat to participate in some of these.

Through our membership in Meet-up, we've received an invitation to a singles dance in Fountain Hills on July 22. We've included the information in this newsletter thinking that some of our members will be interested.

Our thanks to those of you who responded to our survey re an SFA summer trip. The San Diego trip elicited the greatest interest, coming close to the ten minimum we set for a trip. However, the Board decided not to go forward with a trip for this summer. It is still a possibility for next year, with more advance planning.

There is much to be done before our activities pick up in the Fall. The Theater Committee will meet to plan theater events for the 2017-18-theater season. In addition, the Board will be evaluating our progress growth-wise and finance-wise at their August 15th meeting. We'd be pleased if some of you would attend.

President's Message—continued

We are also seeking new people to serve on the Board, as we are now operating with only seven Board members. Newest Board Member, Lin Ashley, decided she wanted to step aside and get to know our organization better before joining the Board, and Linda Dorethy, who had served on the Board for four years recently resigned. Both will continue their membership and participation in SFA activities. Our thanks to Linda Dorethy for all that she has done, especially with planning Special Events, in the past few years. We'll miss her contributions as a Board member.

In closing, I want to again say thank you to all of you who continue to plan and participate in our activities. I hope you'll all have a pleasant summer.

Joanne Handlong, President



JULY-AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Howard Shapiro
Ron Webster
Carmen Wootten
Gerry Lewis
Janet Hom
Bob Hurni

Did we omit listing your birthday this month? Please let our newsletter editor know so that we can update our records and recognize you in the future. Just send an email to:

dorisgreen@cox.net.



We'd like to welcome this new members to SFA:

Date Joined

Jean Roberts 6/14

Please seek her out at events and chat with her. She'll appreciate your taking the time to get to know her and making her feel welcome.

**Mail your event payments to:
Society for the Arts
P.O. Box 5566
Scottsdale, AZ 85261**

Make checks payable to "Society for the Arts" and write the name of the event in the memo section.

Or Use Paypal

Go to www.societyforthearts.org and click on the paypal link. You can use your credit card here.



CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

SOCIAL

July 6, Thursday, 4—7 pm

The Lincoln Room at Camelback Inn, 5402 E. Lincoln Drive, Scottsdale

Join us for drinks and appetizers at this iconic landmark. SFA hosts: Andria Mori and Bernie Soricone. Contact Andria amori@cox.net or phone (602)667-8170

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/phxcb-jw-marriott-scottsdale-camelback-inn-resort-and-spa/>

MOVIES WITH CAROLE AND BILL

July 9, Sunday

We will be going to see a film and then discuss it at dinner. It may be a comedy or a foreign film or a documentary or a drama. But we promise it will not be a horror film. If you are on the email list you will receive notification of the title, place and time on July 6. To get on the list just send your information to Carole Sobel cesobel@gmail.com. And remember, it is cool in the theater.



CLOSE ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ARTS

July 12, Wednesday, 6 pm

Phoenix Theatre, 100 E. McDowell Rd., Phoenix

We are going to the Arizona Story Tellers Project Anniversary Show with the theme Stories About Stories. This will be an evening of storytelling from the journalists at *The Republic* and azcentral.com. You'll hear the stories behind the stories that make this community so wild and wonderful. It is open seating and check

-in is at 6 pm with stories from 7-9 pm. The event takes place at the Phoenix Theatre, 100 E. McDowell Road, Phoenix. Tickets are \$10 and should be purchased in advance at <https://az.ticketsauce.com/e/stories-about-stories-2>. Please email Carole Sobel cesobel@gmail.com after purchasing your ticket so that seats together may be held.

CLOSE ENCOUNTERS SPECIAL EVENT

July 18, Tuesday, 10 am

The Terraces. 7550 N. 16th Street, Phoenix

As part of the community outreach program of the Phoenix Art Museum, Sandy Ryan, a long time Society for the Arts member and docent at PAM, will be at The Terraces presenting an illustrated talk entitled *The Japanese Spell on Western Art*. This presentation follows Japanese art from Asia to Europe. It highlights its impact on the some of the world's most famous artists, as well as the changes it brought to all areas of design. All SFA members are invited to have lunch at The Terraces after the program. Please email cesobel@gmail.com for a reservation.

SOCIAL

July 20, Thursday. 4—6 pm

Mountain Shadows Resort, 5445 E Lincoln Drive, Paradise Valley. Join us at the Hearth '61 bar for delicious food and drink deals paired with stunning mountain views. Select wine and draft beers for \$5, 50% off signature cocktails and 40% off select dishes. Featured



dishes: Ahi Tartare, Chilled Jumbo Shrimp, and Spicy Queso and Guacamole are a few to choose from. SFA hosts Barbara Rosen and Karen Grant. Email Barbara babeandkit@aol.com or phone 480-816-0041.

<https://www.mountainshadows.com/resort>

**DINNER WITH FRIENDS/
LIVE AND LOCAL FRIDAYS
July 28, Friday, 5:30 pm/8:00 pm**

RSVP by 7/14

This will be a “double-header” evening. You can choose to do both or just one of these events. *Live and Local Fridays* is a summer time series at the Scottsdale Center for the Arts that spotlights top local Arizona bands and ensembles.

5:30 PM - Dinner With Friends, AZ 88 Restaurant - At 5:30 PM, we'll meet at AZ 88 on the Scottsdale Mall, 7353 E Scottsdale Mall, Scottsdale, for dinner. This trendy contemporary bar & eatery never fails to please. The food and service are always good and the cheerful ambiance inspires good conversation and camaraderie. **Contact** Andria Mori, amori@cox.net, or (602) 667-8170 for dinner reservations **by 7/14/17**. www.az88.com/

After dinner (approximately 7:00 p.m.) we'll stroll to the nearby Scottsdale Center for the Arts, 7380 East Second Street, Scottsdale, for *Live and Local Fridays*, to listen to the music of **Los Morenos**. The show starts at 8:00 PM in the Virginia G. Piper Theater. **Los Morenos** is fronted by Arizona Blues Hall of Famer, Mario Moreno, who will perform Latin blues, cumbia, and original music. You can hear a sample of his music at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4u0TWMofr8>. **Tickets (reserved seating): \$13.00.** Contact Andria Mori, amori@cox.net, or (602) 667-8170 for ticket reservations **by 7/14/17**. <https://scottsdaleperformingarts.org/live-local-fridays-2017/>

LIVE AND LOCAL FRIDAYS

**August 4, Friday
7:00 pm Happy Hour in Lobby/8:00 pm Concert
by “Whiskey Kiss”
RSVP by 7/20/17**

Scottsdale Center for the Arts, Virginia G. Piper Theater, 7380 E. 2nd St., Scottsdale.

Performing as part of SCA's *Live and Local* summer

concert series in the cool comfort of the Virginia G. Piper Theater, **Whiskey Kiss** is a female-fronted Rockabilly band that performs retro, revamped roots rock with a classic vintage backbone and modern edgy kicks. Their music blends swing with traditional rockabilly for a dynamic, danceable sound. Arrive early to relax in the lobby with cocktails and tasty bites pre-show. The Encore Bar opens at 7:00 p.m. You can also shop for eclectic gifts and enjoy 10 percent off purchases at the Store @ The Center. **Tickets (reserved seating): \$13.00** Contact Joanne Handlong, justjo34@gmail.com, (480) 491-3326, for reserved tickets **by 7/20/17**. <https://scottsdaleperformingarts.org/live-local-fridays-2017/>

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August 10, Thursday, 4:30—7 pm

ZuZu Lounge, Hotel Valley Ho, 6850 E. Main Street, Scottsdale
Join us for: Signature Cocktails - \$6, Appetizers - \$6, Beer Specials - \$4, Wine by the glass - \$6.

SFA hosts Barbara Rosen and Karen Grant. Email Barbara babeandkit@aol.com or phone 480-816-0041.

<https://www.hotelvalleyho.com/zuzu>



BOARD MEETING

August 15, Tuesday, 6:30 pm

Denny's, 3315 N Scottsdale Rd., Scottsdale (Just south of Osborn). All members welcome at the SFA Board of Directors' meeting. We meet in a private room. Come to share thoughts, ideas and concerns. We welcome your participation. Come at 5:00 pm to order your own food and drink. The meeting starts at 6:30 pm. Contact Joanne Handlong, president@societyforthearts.org, (480) 491-3326, for information.

CLOSE ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ARTS

August 17, Thursday, 12:20 pm

Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art, 7374 East Second Street, Scottsdale

We will visit the Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art to see two of the exhibits: The first is [dis]functional: Products of Conceptual Design, in which the exhibit walks the line between art and design. This exhibition showcases a selection of objects that playfully question the expected utilitarian roles of "good design" and its relationship to art. The second is Ocean of Light: Submergence - A Squidsoup Project. You will immerse yourself in an ocean of light. This Interactive LED light installation is 17 × 23 × 33 feet. Squidsoup's installation uses light-based data visualization to create an augmented reality environment. We will meet in the lobby at 12:20 and join the docent-led tour at 12:30. Admission to the museum and the tour are free. Please email Carole Sobel cesobel@gmail.com if you plan on joining the group. <https://smoca.org>

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August 20, Sunday

We will be going to see a film and then discuss it at dinner. It may be a comedy or a foreign film or a documentary or a drama. But we promise it will not be a horror film. If you are on the email list you will receive notification of the title, place and time on August 17. To get on the list just send your information to Carole Sobel cesobel@gmail.com. And remember, it is cool in the theater.



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August 24, Thursday, 4:30 –6 pm

Thirsty Lion Gastropub & Grill, Scottsdale Fashion Square, Scottsdale

Join us as we enjoy: \$4.50 Well Drinks, Featured Wine and House Margarita; Appetizers - \$4.95, Bacon Cheddar Potato Cakes, Tuscan Kale Salad and Pepperoni and Four Cheese to name a few; Appetizers - \$5.95, Grilled Salmon Cakes, Grilled Pear & Prosciutto Flatbread, Grilled Burger Sliders to name a few.

SFA hosts Barbara Rosen and Karen Grant. Email Barbara babeandkit@aol.com or phone 480-816-0041. <http://www.thirstyliongastropub.com/scottsdale>

CLOSE ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ARTS SPECIAL EVENT

October 5, Thursday 7:15pm
RSVP by 8/15

Tovrea Castle at Carraro Heights, 5025 E. Van Buren, Phoenix



Have you seen the "wedding cake" castle from a distance? That is Tovrea Castle and we will be taking a Harvest Moon Tour of it. We will start out on a cart which winds along many gravel paths and makes its way up two hills with several overlooks of Phoenix. And, there is a pyramid on one of the high points. The outside style has art deco touches and one can see an aviary, a very large patio (used for dances during WWII), and a horse shoe pitching pit. The first floor has been restored and is in pristine condition. The walls, ceilings, floors, and windows are back to what they looked like when new. The basement is a cavernous room reminiscent of Civil War era structures. There is a happy hour scheduled on the same date at the Stockyards and you can do both, dinner there and then a short drive to the castle. Tickets are \$20 for the tour and must be purchased in early September on the day they become available. (Tours sell out in hours of release time.) If you are interested, please let me know and I will be able to determine how many tickets to purchase. Email Carole Sobel cesobel@gmail.com by August 15.

<https://tovreacastle.com/>



SINGLES DANCE IN FOUNTAIN HILLS

This is a **non-SFA event** which we are listing as a courtesy for the Valley Singles 50+, Don't Do It Alone Meet-up group. Contact their Host, Debbie Dehner, (480) 296-6697 for more information.

Singles Dance

July 22, Saturday, 7 PM to 11 PM

Kiwanis Club Building in Fountain Hills, 16957 Kiwanis Drive, Fountain Hills -

Sponsored by Valley Singles 50 Plus, Don't Do It Alone

Chris Gelb will play a variety of dance music.

Admission:

\$12.00 at the door (CASH ONLY)

\$10.00 in advance. Contact host, Debbie Dehner at (480) 296-6697.

RESERVE NOW. SEATING CAPACITY IS LIMITED TO 200.

BYOB + Bring a light appetizer or dessert to share--finger type food.

Suggestions: Cheese or cheese dip and crackers, small egg rolls, shrimp ring, fruit, veggies, pizza bites, chicken salad roll-ups or finger sandwiches, cookies, brownies, etc.



July 2017

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16	17	18 Close Encounters	19	20 Social	21	22
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August 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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6	7	8	9	10 ^{Social}	11	12
13	14	15 ^{Board Mtg}	16	17 ^{Close Encounters}	18	19
20 ^{Movie}	21	22	23	24 ^{Social}	25	26
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The mission of the Society for the Arts is to raise money through social events and fundraising to benefit the arts in the greater Phoenix area. Founded in 1986, Society for the Arts is a 501c(3) organization.

SFA Guest Policy

We welcome guests to attend up to three SFA events but after the 3rd visit, they must join before attending any more events. This includes theater, culinary lunches, happy hours and all other events except those which are open to the public.

SFA Membership Fee

\$75.00 per year

Contact Membership@societyforthearts.org

The Membership Application can be downloaded and printed from our website www.societyforthearts.org