

# Arizona Cameo Club News

**JULY-AUGUST-SEPTEMBER 2006**



## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Dear Elegant Cameo Ladies,

Summer is upon us and there is change in the gentle wind. At our May Cameo Meeting, Jo Jo, our tireless Artistic Director read her letter of resignation.

It was with regret and very mixed emotions that I accepted it. For five years Jo Jo has called and booked our shows, contacted ladies to perform, recontacted ladies to make sure of their music and their presence at a show, emceed the shows, entertained in the shows and checked after the shows to make sure no one left anything behind. To quote Jo Jo "It has been a labor of love". Thank You Jo Jo from all of us; you are a true "Lady of Elegance". It is my task now to appoint her successor. At this writing my intention is to appoint an interim Artistic Committee to handle those duties in what I hope will become a labor of love for the ladies who accept the positions. In this time of transition it is important for the work load to be shared by many rather than a few. We have several more shows through early July, then we must make contacts to book shows for the remainder of the year. Please speak with me if this sounds like something you would like to help with. If the work is shared by many, no one will be overworked. We are proud of our Queen Peggy, as she continues to meet, greet and perform as often and in as many venues as possible. Peggy exudes the charm and warmth that so well exemplifies the Ms. Sr. Arizona ladies. She along with our other performing ladies gives generously of their time and talent. Please think of how you can contribute more of yourself, we need you!!! Beginning with the June meeting we will honor and celebrate each months birthday ladies. If you are traveling this summer, may you travel safely and return to us ready to give all you can to our "Cameo Club" and Ms. Sr. Arizona Pageant..

Peace and Love,

Jean

## THOUGHT FOR THE DAY!

Love and time—those are the only two things in all the world and all of life that cannot be bought, but only spent. Every new day begins with possibilities. It's up to us to fill it with the things that move us toward progress and peace.

## JULY MEETING & LUNCH

**Friday - July 28, 2006**

12:00 Lunch

THE MADISON

18626 Spanish Garden Dr.  
Sun City West-623-584-1999

## PLEASE RSVP

By Monday July 24, 2006

Bev Hansen

623-214-8018 or E-mail  
[bhansen35@neetzero.com](mailto:bhansen35@neetzero.com)

## Directions to The Madison

From Bell Rd. turn North on R.H. Johnson Blvd. Go Approx 1 1/2 Miles. Turn left on W. Camino Del Sol. Turn left on Spanish Garden Dr. and The Madison will be on your right.

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## 2006 Meeting Schedule

July 28 - The Madison

August 25 - Amethyst Arbor

September 22 - TBA

October 27 - Wooddale Village

November 17 - The Madison

December 15 - Amethyst Arbor

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## QUEEN'S REPORT

"Ms. Senior Arizona 2006"

I would like to tell everyone that I am having a ball. Especially performing in the "Ladies of Elegance" Shows. I want to encourage all the ladies to get involved in the shows. It is very rewarding! We receive so much Praise and "Thank You's" for our efforts. So many of these people never have visitors, so our performing is a real Blessing to them. Please, let's all get involved. I spoke with Wendy Pauker at Phoenix Children's Hospital and she is interested in having us perform for the children. This would be a wonderful experience for us and might open more doors for the Club. I look forward to seeing all of you at the July Meeting.

Love,

Peggy Brown

## "HAPPINESS"

Happiness is the pleasure of knowing my kindness has made someone else's day!

## In The Spotlight Jo Jo Torkelson

Congratulation to Jo Jo Torkelson for a job well done!! Jo Jo turned in her resignation at our May Meeting after 5 years as our dedicated Artistic Director and Chairman of the Ladies of Elegance Performing Group. Jo Jo was a Contestant in the 2001 Pageant and also one of the founding members of the Arizona Cameo Club. She has worn many other hats during the last 5 years, and always there to do what needed to be done wherever she was needed. She has done a wonderful job scheduling our Meeting and Luncheon locations and times. It is going to take several ladies to fill her shoes and it sure isn't going to be easy. So Jo Jo you have certainly earned a time to rest, relax and enjoy! See how it feels to just come to the meeting and have lunch and enjoy the meeting!!! It is going to be a real change of pace for you but we think you can handle it!!

Our Thanks also to Norm for always being ready to help you and Cameo Club whenever he was needed. To both of you, we can't even begin to say thanks enough for all your time and energy to help make the Cameo Ball the success it was. Without your work and support, we would not have been nearly so successful!

Thanks again for 5 years of your ( and Norm's) dedicated time and energy to the Arizona Cameo Club!!

Relax and Enjoy!!

**THE SPOTLIGHT IS ON YOU!**

## PLEASE KEEP ADDRESSES AND PHONE NUMBERS!

### AMETHYST ARBORS

9257 W. Union Hills Drive  
Sun City, AZ. - 623-974-2255

### STRATFORD SQUARE

9410 E. Thunderbird Rd.  
Scottsdale, AZ. 480-614-9100

### WOODDALE VILLAGE

18616 N. 99<sup>TH</sup> Ave.  
Sun City, Az. - 623-933-1313

### THE MADISON

18626 Spanish Garden Dr.  
Sun City West - 623-584-1999

# Gameo Club News

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## EDITORS REPORT

Hi Cameo Ladies,

Well here we are in the middle of the summer heat again. If you are planning to go away this Summer, have a great time and be safe, but if you are here, remember that our meetings go on all Summer as well as performances. If you are here, hopefully we will see you at the monthly meetings and you will be available for the performances. If you have some time to help and take on a new job, we are always in need of ladies to help out. We have been looking for a Historian for a long time now. If one of you would be interested in helping out in this area, just let Jean know.

We will be announcing the time and place for the General Kick-off Meeting for our Third Annual Alzheimer's Cameo Ball in the near future.

Our thanks to all of you ladies who have worked so hard on the Ball for the first two years. We are delighted to be able to show you how the money raised from our first 2 years have contributed to our local Southwest Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association.

**50 Respite Assistance Vouchers for Family caregivers**

**Care Consultations for 50 families for one year.**

**125 scholarship enrollments for new individuals in Safe Return.**

**Educational Seminars for 50 families. Covered the cost of the Helpline for 400 callers.**

**Purchased over 9000 educational pamphlets for individuals and families.**

If you are interested in working on the Ball, we can use all the help we can get.

With Love and Blessings  
Herme

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## SAVE THE DATE!

### THIRD ANNUAL ALZHEIMER'S CAMEO BALL

**Saturday January 27, 2007**

**Merv Griffin's**

**Scottsdale Hilton Resort**

## ARTISTIC DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dear Ladies of Elegance,

This will be my last article to you as Cameo Artistic Director. If you don't already know, I submitted my Resignation to our President, Jean McCurdy, at our last meeting (letter on file) on May 26<sup>th</sup> to be effective on July 4, 2006 after our last scheduled Showcase. I can honestly say, I am ready for some Quiet Time. This comes after service of 5 busy years of scheduling meeting/luncheons and all that goes with planning and putting on our Showcases. We have grown in volume and I - in my knowledge, of what it takes to put on the great shows that the audiences loved. Wonderful, fruitful years of getting close to the performers. All beautiful, talented and hard working ladies.

I love each one of you and my heartfelt thanks for all your help to successfully make us known through out the valley. As I bow our gracefully, making room for someone new to take over this huge task, My Prayers continue for each one of you for good health, happiness and true friendships.

Love & Prayers and  
A Song in my heart!

Jo Jo

## FUTURE SHOWCASE PERFORMANCES

July 3....Heritage Legacy - 3:30

Oct. 28...Palm Lakes Village - 6:45

## GENERAL REHEARSAL

The Monthly rehearsals scheduled for the Saturday after our Monthly meetings are for all performers.

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## PLEASE HELP US!!

JUST ONE PHONE CALL A MONTH!

Bev Hanson really needs your help! Please mark your calendar and call in your reservation for the monthly luncheons! Bev has graciously taken on this job and with a little help from all of you, it would save her lots of phone calls!.

623-214-8018

## PAGEANT REPORT

**Marilyn Joyce  
Robin Golagrande**

We are off to a good start on our search for sponsors for the 2007 Pageant. Peggy Brown has already found one new sponsor.

Thank you Peggy!!! Please contact the Pageant Office if you would like information on sponsorships. Marilyn has been in contact with the Maricopa County Events Center (Sundome) trying to confirm our Pageant date for the first week-end in March. If our date is confirmed, we hope start our "Search for Contestants" and have applications ready to go September 1. We have already received requests for

applications by e-mail. Anyone interested in an application can request via e-mail at [srazpageant@cox.net](mailto:srazpageant@cox.net) or by phone at 480-634-8753.

Remember, we have appended the Pageant rules to allow a contestant to compete a total of 3 times, but no more than 2 consecutive years. If you have any question, please call. Senior Day at the Arizona State Fair is scheduled for Wed. Oct. 25, from 12 noon until 5 p.m. Also Robin has scheduled a trip to Las Vegas for Nationals in November.

Departure will be early Thursday morning, November 9<sup>th</sup> in order to arrive for the 1<sup>st</sup> preliminary, and return on Sunday, Nov. 12. It will include Round Trip Motor coach Transportation, and 3 nights at the Imperial Palace. If you are interested, please contact Robin for more info.

## CAMEO NEWSLETTER IS NOW QUARTERLY!

Cameo Newsletters are posted on the website and is updated regularly with new information on Performance and Meeting Schedules.

[www.arizonacameoclub.com](http://www.arizonacameoclub.com)