Arizona Cameo Club News

"A little love goes a long way; a lot of love lasts forever."



2011 JULY - AUGUST - SEPTEMBER

2011

Installation of our Executive Board Term: 2011 – 2013 June Luncheon – June 24, 2011



Maddy Paschal: Board President Helena Chapin: Board Vice President Sylvia Paterno: Board Treasurer Barbara Imbrie: Board Secretary (Barbara is not pictured) Our new board...taking their oath of office.

2011 Special Awards were given to our..... Outgoing Executive Board and the Cameo Members with Significant Jobs



(*left to right*) Herme Sherry, Sylvia Paterno, Jean McCurdy, Ms. Senior Arizona 2011 Myrna Foster, Wanda Smith, Linda Zvara, Peggy Brown (*seated left to right*) Lois Springer & Marilyn O'Connell

It is approaching four months in wearing my crown & Banner; and with each Cameo performance and guest appearance, I am more committed to our "AGE OF ELEGANCE".

Every time I step out of my "*retirement jeans & T-shirt*" and into a newly purchased satin gown, I'm so delighted! But in June, I shared my "gown shopping" with my granddaughter. She made me remember that in an earlier life, I was a "shopaholic!" The Prescott Rodeo Parade will be another highlight in my crown-reigning year when I will be seated on the back of my '57 T'Bird, (and not driving!) sending that wonderful message... "SENIOR WOMEN ARE ALIVE & FULL OF POSITIVE ENERGY!"

My thanks to every club member for your support and participation in our Cameo Club events!

From your Ms. Senior Arizona 2011, *Myrna Foster*







Lois Springer & Linda Zvara roasting marshmallows or hot dogs around the campfire at McDowell Casino's event...Friday Nite Franks on May 20th.



MORE FRIDAY NITE FRANKS FUN.....

Rosie Wehbe Sherlene Berry



Dawn Pratt

.....WITH OUR CAMEO COWGIRLS!



(*left to right*) Sherlene Berry, Barbara Imbrie, Linda Zvara, Dawn Pratt, Rosie Wehbe & Lois Springer.

Sharon Friendly, Ms. Senior Arizona 2007 and her sweetheart, Jordan Greenland, enjoying the evening at McDowell Casino's Friday Nite Franks event.



On May 20th, our Cameo ladies & guests had so much fun at McDowell Casino's outdoor event! The audience really liked our FREE entertainment during the breaks of the live PAID entertainment; and as a result, we've booked TWO shows, paying us \$125.00 per show! Our first show there will be

us \$125.00 per show! Our first show there will be **Fri., September 23rd: 5:30 p.m. Show Friday Nite Franks at Ft. McDowell** 14803 N Hiawatha Hood Rd., Phoenix 85264 (past the Casino...outside...around the campfire) So, "git" a <u>western</u> song/dance ready to perform and let **Peggy Brown** know.



Monthly Luncheon Meeting Schedule & Locations



Friday, July 22nd: 11:30a.m.: Encore Senior Village, 9045 W. Athens St., Peoria 85382 623-876-8300

> Friday, August 26th: 11:30a.m.: COCO's, 2026 N. 7th St., Phoenix 85006 602-258-3821

Friday, September 23rd: 11:30a.m.: Heritage Palmeras, 10101 W. Palmeras Dr., Sun City 85373 623-977-2777

> Just a Reminder! Arrive early enough to pay your lunch fee to a Board Member and meet'n'greet everyone before being seated at 11:30 a.m.

A SHINING EVENT

Since we didn't include our lovely **Pinning Ceremony Luncheon on March 25th** in the January-February-March newsletter, we're putting a spotlight on it in this edition. The following pageant contestants joined & received a red rose & will be receiving a club pin:

Joyce Bae Dawn Pratt Caren Edelstein S Shirley Mahoney Na Esther Zimmerman

tt Rita Phillips Silvia Petretti Nancy Thompson Terry Pappalardo

Here are some of our newest members at the ceremony.







Nancy Thompson Rita Phillips

Caren Edelstein

Ms. Senior Oregon 2006 Barbara Imbrie played the inspirational song, "Climb Every Mountain", while all sang together. A special rose was presented to **Jasel Joyce** for all the work she does for us in our events. We all joined hands, making our circle of love, and said together.... "A little love goes a long way; a lot of love lasts forever."





PERFORMANCE NEWS and DATES





Hi, ladies!

It's wonderful having so many ladies performing in our Cameo Shows this year! **Dawn Pratt, Rosie Wehbe, Nancy Thompson & Shirley Mahoney** have been in several of our shows. And others are signing up for

future shows. Our reigning **Queen Myrna Foster** has done an outstanding job & even helped me out with some of the emceeing. We truly thank her husband **Duane** for providing & running our sound system! Duane does a fantastic job & he also has been downloading our songs into his

computer to make our shows even easier for us, too. Please don't forget to go online to our webpage at <u>www.arizonacameoclub.com</u>...then... select Performance Schedule from the left column for upcoming performance dates & email me at: <u>singpeggy@yahoo.com</u> or call me: **623-327-3771**. Let me know which shows you would like to perform in. I look forward to hearing from you. My thanks go out to all the ladies who have been booking shows for us...Jean McCurdy, Phyllis Ranzinger, Rosie Wehbe & Sherlene Berry...to name a few. We wouldn't have any shows or income for our club, if it weren't for them. So, GREAT job, ladies! Keep it up!! Peggy Brown

Cameo Performance Artistic Director



CAMEO SHOW DATES Fri., July 8th: 2 p.m. Show **Carillons Retirement Community** 10045 W Royal Oak Rd., Sun City 85351 Mon., July 11th: 10 a.m. Show **Manors of Scottsdale** 9160 E Desert Cove Scottsdale 85260 Sun., July 31st: 2:30 p.m. Silverado of Scottsdale 9410 E. Thunderbird Scottsdale 85260 Sun., September 11th: Noon Show **Contempo of Tempe** 2609 W Southern Ave., Tempe 85282 Fri., September 23rd: 5:30 p.m. Show Friday Nite Franks at Ft. McDowell 14803 N Hiawatha Hood Rd., Phoenix 85264 (past the Casino...outside...around the campfire)

Be watching for more show dates on our website.





The Queens' Show is coming up on September 24th! It will be an outdoor dinner show, catered by Carrabbas' wonderful Italian cuisine. Centralized location to be announced soon. Dinner & Show ticket: \$20pp Arrival time: 5:30 p.m.
Ms. Senior Arizona 2008 Marilyn O'Connell is putting this fantastic event together. Mark your calendar! Don't miss this event!!



'Wellwadoouno!''

By our roving reporter... Ms. Senior Arizona 2008 Marilyn O'Connell

Ms Senior Arizona 2005 Shirley Goss (AKA -"Dumpster Diver Diva") flew to California to help a good friend & relative; namely, to help clean & organize her AZ room. Directly from the airport, her 85-year-old friend (with one arm I might add) drove behind a grocery store & asked Shirley if she would climb in the dumpster to retrieve some bread, cupcakes, Twinkies, oranges, etc. Last time Shirley had to pull her friend, with one arm, out of the dumpster. Shirley, in a skirt & blouse hesitated, but couldn't say no to her friend because her friend is so devoted to helping the poor using the food to prepare for churches & the needy. They also cleaned out the AZ room & made donations to Mexico. Shirley made it quite clear that this was a one-time "dive" & vowed never, never, never to let it happen again!

<u>And</u>a big **THANK YOU** to Shirley & Ed Goss for hosting the party for the 4^{th} of July celebration every year. Fun! Fun! Fun!

Kathleen Provence, contestant in Pageants 2008 & 2010 is an admired, self-made woman; cancer survivor since 1993 and a beautiful dancer. Also, Kathleen is known as the "Paper Eater", chewing on the cardboard around a McDonald's cone, much to the delight of her three grandchildren, ages 15 - 18. She danced before she could walk as she held onto her daddy's legs.

Her Cameo sisters need to know her extraordinary story. At age 9, Kathleen's mother dropped her off at a candy store in another town, left a note for her father on his door. He picked up Kathleen at that candy store & raised her until age 16. At this age, she went to work for Arthur Murray dance studio over her mother's objections; so, Kathleen went to court & had herself emancipated. WOW! What courage! Her life went on to receive the Alexander Graham Bell Award for 8 years for her volunteer work with teen moms.

Presently, Kathleen is a court-appointed advocate for foster children with Yavapai County Supreme Court.

We're proud to know you, girl! You're such a giving, loving free spirit!!

Nancy Thompson, 1st Runner-up in Pageant 2011, welcome to your first year with the Pageant and joining our Cameo Club. Well done, Nancy, we're very proud of you! Now, to get to know you better.....

Nancy was raised on a farm in Laveen, noted for the largest Holstein dairy herd at the time. At age 5 & 6, she put on shows in the driveway, without an audience except for "Grabby" the cat wandering by. At 20, Nancy was crowned Arizona Dairy Princess (well, she was on her way!) She received her degree from ASU in



4th of July Celebration Weekend

Thanks to all the Queens, performers, drivers, guests, our photographers, and most of all to Ed & Shirley Goss who hosted over 50 of us for a GREAT party at their beautiful home in Prescott on Saturday evening! We were grateful to be placed #25 in the Parade of 145 entries! As always, a BIG THANKS to the Arizona Classic Thunderbird Club, the Sun Country Corvette Club & the owners & drivers for all the beautiful convertibles and for the drivers donating their time to show off our eleven lovely queens in the Annual Prescott Frontier Days Parade. When have we laughed so much?! Thank you to each & every one of you who were there to make it the FUN weekend it was! With lots of love & appreciation to all!

Herme & Ken

Our Parade Banner Bearers



 Lois Springer
 Nancy Thompson

 Dawn Pratt(not pictured)
Parade of Queens......

 Ms. Senior AZ 2011
 Myrna Foster, Ms. Senior AZ

 2010
 Maddy Paschal, Ms. Senior AZ 2009

 Jamer, Ms. Senior Mercury 2009
 Sylvia Paterno,

 Ms. Senior AZ 2008
 Marilyn O'Connell, Ms. Senior

 AZ 2007
 Sharon Friendly, Ms. Senior AZ 2006

 Peggy Brown, Ms. Senior AZ 2005
 Shirley Goss, Ms.

 Senior AZ 2004
 Herme Sherry, Ms. Senior AZ 2001

 Diane Shapiro, and Ms. Senior NY 2000
 Marguerite

 Murtagh (in the "happy" convertibles")



(more about Nancy Thompson)

Early Childhood Education, and taught kindergarten children.

Nancy is the mother of a daughter & a son; Nancy lived in Globe for 28 years, nine of which she owned & operated a day care center. Nancy is also an active member of the Copper Cities Community Players, which produces many musicals & plays, notably "Nunsense," "Two By Two," "Wait Until Dark," & "Steel Magnolias." This explains her ease of performing. The stage is certainly not a stranger to her! Linda Haaheim, contestant in Pageant 2008, retired in 2007, and the Pageant was on the top of her list of "first-time" dream experiences that she wanted to try. Back in 1968, fresh from college, Linda taught children

the joy of music for 25 years. The "Mother Bear" that she is....sold her home & left her teaching job in Chandler to go with her only daughter Jackie (age 18) to Nashville, TN. As a result of winning on the Charlie Daniels "Be a Nashville Star" tv show, Jackie wanted to try the Nashville music industry with her God-given pipes. To be sure Jackie wouldn't be mis-managed, Mama had to accompany her there. Results: Jackie performed with Opryland Entertainment, on the Grand Ol' Opry, and the Dolly Parton Productions....and now, Jackie's one of the top entertainers in Branson, MO. While Linda was in Nashville with Jackie, she worked as the concierge trainer at the huge Opryland Hotel (now, known as the Gaylord Resort) and had outstanding experiences & meeting celebrities from 1994 - 1998. Also, in Nov. - Dec., 1997, Linda & her daughter had the most wonderful opportunity to act & sing together as mother & daughter (*imagine that!*) in an annual Opryland Production, "Colorado Country Christmas", at the famous Bro^Admoor Hotel, in Colorado Springs, CO.

The loving person we know was called to move back to AZ to be a caregiver for her mother in Sun City Grand. Mother passed away in 2005, but not before she met the love of Linda's life...Mikal. Sounds like God had His Hand in that! My personal observation is that both Linda & Mikal are so sweet together....a true match!

The Arizona Cameo Club Ensemble

The Arizona Cameo Club Ensemble rehearsals will resume in September (**Sep.** 7^{th} & 21^{st}) on the 1^{st} & 3^{rd} Wednesdays of each month at Bethesda Gardens in Phoenix from 10:30am – noon on the 2nd floor in the Activity Room. You enter the main lobby door & take the elevator down the hall to the 2^{nd} floor. We have extra ensemble books for you. There is no fee to join. We'll be adding new FUN songs to our repertoire. Don't miss the first two rehearsals!

From the desk of the Arizona Cameo Club Ensemble, **Director Linda Haaheim**

April 29th 2pm Show at Chaparral Winds

Some of our Cameo Show Performers with our reigning Queen (*in center*) had time to strike a pose!



(left to right) 1st Runner-up 2011 Pageant Nancy Thompson; 2nd Runner-up 2008 Pageant & 4th Runner-up 2010 Pageant Phyllis Ranzinger; 2011 Pageant Contestant Dawn Pratt; Ms. Senior Arizona 2008 Marilyn O'Connell; Our reigning Queen Ms. Senior Arizona 2011 Myrna Foster; 1st Runner-up 2009 Pageant Gwen Colony; Ms. Senior Oregon 2006 Barbara Imbrie; & Ms. Senior Arizona 2007 Sharon Friendly.

More Performances at the Royal Oaks Show Ms. Senior Arizona 2010

June 23rd Evening Cameo Show at Royal Oaks

Many other ladies from the Ms. Senior Arizona Pageants performed (not pictured).

Ms. Senior Arizona 2009 Ms. Senior Arizona 2008



Jane Gilmer

2011 Pageant Contestant



Marilyn O'Connell



Rita Phillips



Rosie Wehbe



Maddy Paschal performing at Royal Oaks







The City of Scottsdale's 60th Anniversary Our queens were invited to a special breakfast at the Scottsdale Culinary Institute on Saturday, June 25th.



(left to right) Ms. Senior AZ 2007, Sharon Friendly, Ms. Senior Mercury2009 Sylvia Paterno, Ms. Senior AZ 2004 Herme Sherry, Ms. Senior AZ 2009 Jane Gilmer, Scottsdale Culinary Institute Chef & Instructor, REIGNING QUEEN Ms. Senior AZ 2011 Myrna Foster, Ms. Senior NY 1999 Jean McCurdy, Ms. Senior AZ 2010 Maddy Paschal, and Ms. Senior AZ 2008 Marilyn O'Connell.

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8th ANNUAL CAMEO BALL COMMITTEE MEETINGS Freedom Inn at Scottsdale 15436 N 64th Street Scottsdale 85254 480-948-6950

Kick-Off Meeting: Tue., Aug. 23rd, 6pm

Tue., Sep. 13 th , 6pm	Tue., Oct. 4 th , 6pm
Tue., Oct. 18 th , 6pm	Tue., Nov. 1 st , 6pm
Tue., Nov. 15 th , 6pm	Tue., Dec. 6 th , 6pm
Tue., Dec. 20 th , 6pm	Tue., Jan. 3 rd , 6pm
Tue., Jan. 10 th , 6pm	Tue., Jan. 17 th , 6pm

Workday: Sat., Jan. 21st, 9am

Cameo Ball: Sat., Jan. 28th, Scottsdale Hilton

This year, we are working for these charities: New Life Center Butterfly House Crisis Nursery Turnbow Foundation

The Cameo Ball will benefit "families in crisis."

If you would like to serve on the Cameo Ball Committee, we would love to have you or if you have questions or need more information, please call..... **602-788-9556**

Herme Sherry



"The Ladies of Elegance"

