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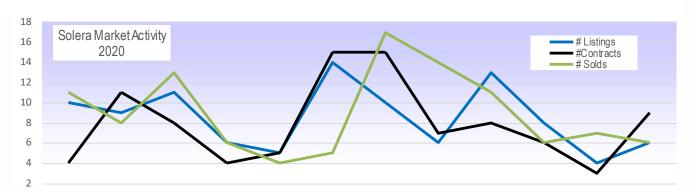


Solera Market Update as of January 8, 2021

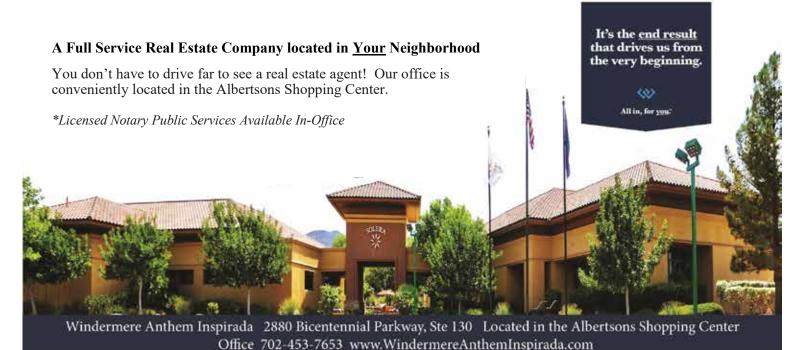
CLOSINGS: There were 6 closings in December. Average days on the market was 46.5.

INVENTORY: At press time, there are only 7 homes listed for sale in Solera and 5 under contract. Only 6 new listings entered the market in December.

<u>PRICE</u>: The average sales price for December was \$333,638, with an average sales price per square foot of \$218. This is a slight decrease from the \$337,429 average in November.



	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
# Listings	10	9	11	6	5	14	10	6	13	8	4	6
#Contracts	4	11	8	4	5	15	15	7	8	6	3	9
# Solds	11	8	13	6	4	5	17	14	11	6	7	6



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Heart of Nevada lights were a Valentine for everyone. Photo credit: Abigail Watkins. See related Story on page 19.

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Monday – Friday	. 8:30 a.m 4:30 p.m.
After hours Emergency Number	(702) 215-8165
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Community Center	(702) 207-1407
Fax	(702) 361-5721
Monday – Saturday	6 a.m. – 7 p.m.
Sunday	6 a.m. – 6 p.m.

For questions about your balance or for general information, call (702) 215-8165.

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REMINDER: Starting in January 2021 if you have your ACH (auto-payments) set up though ClickPay you may need to contact them directly to adjust the auto-payment amount to \$195/qtr. To contact ClickPay, 1-800-533-7901 or visit www.ClickPay.com/GetHelp. If your assessment payments are set up automatically through your bank you will want to contact your bank directly to adjust to the new assessment amount.

Assessments are due quarterly on the 1st January 1 - April 1 - July 1 - October 1 http://Nevada.fsrconnect.com/soleraatanthem.us

SOLERA RESIDENTS:

Solera Website: Homeowners can access the Solera Website by going to www.soleranews.com. You can access the FirstService website by logging onto https://soleraatanthem.connectresident.com

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When emailing the above Board Members, please put "Solera" in the subject line.

Please send all violation reports and/or complaints to the Management Office in writing.

Board Of Directors Schedule Of Future Meetings

Feb 39:30 a.mBOD Executive SessionStardust
Feb 109:30 a.m Board of Directors Meeting Stardust/Virtual
Feb 174:00 p.m Annual Unit Owners Meeting Stardust/Virtual
Mar 39:30 a.m BOD Executive Session Stardust
Mar 106:30 p.m Board of Directors Meeting Stardust/Virtual
Apr 79:30 a.mExecutive BoardStardust
Apr 149:30 a.mBoard of DirectorsStardust/Virtual

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Hello Solera Homeowners!

I think we can all agree that 2020 was a wild ride, and we are all anxious to see what 2021 has in store for us. Hopefully it's off to a good start for you! Our real estate market continues to be more of a "Seller's Market", with a low inventory of available homes. As of the end of December, there were only 16 homes listed for sale in Solera at Anthem (listed below), and 10 of them already had offers on them. 5 homes closed escrow in the month of December, and as of January 1, 2021 there were already 9 homes scheduled to close escrow in the month of January. If you are thinking of selling your home, or would like up-to-the-minute real estate information, please call me today. I will answer your questions and help you navigate the market to obtain your most favorable price and terms! My office is open 7 days a week for your convenience, and I'm looking forward to speaking with you.

Homes listed for sale as of 01/01/2021:

Address	List Price	SqFt	Model
2521 Venus Star	\$300,000	1,768	Franklin
2582 Sargon ST	\$305,000	1,248	Clark
2520 Chasma DR	\$315,000	1,248	Clark
2577 Icy Moon ST	\$317,000	1,248	Clark
2510 Darda ST	\$319,000	1,248	Clark
2614 Anani	\$344,900	1,768	Franklin
2520 Jada DR	\$347,999	1,596	Whitney
2347 Bildad	\$349,999	1,768	Franklin
2408 Sky Watcher ST	\$354,900	1,584	Monroe
2564 Solera Sky DR	\$359,900	1,596	Whitney
2544 Jada DR	\$360,000	1,768	Franklin
2509 Crater Rock ST	\$367,500	1,768	Franklin
2505 Cosmic Dust ST	\$369,900	1,596	Whitney
2295 Bildad DR	\$375,000	1,596	Whitney
2600 Red Planet ST	\$395,000	1,425	Freemont
2363 Ecliptic ST	\$474,900	1,768	Franklin

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PLEASE NOTE

The following Committees need volunteers:

Communications, Community Standards, and Lifestyle

For more information or to apply please contact management at smrdjen@soleraatanthem.us

Residents are welcome to attend any committee meetings that are of interest, except Covenants and ARC. Meeting dates are on the Calendar page.

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Architectural Review Committee "ARC"

Hello from the ARC. Just a reminder of items and structures that are prohibited on lots in Solera at Anthem. Storage buildings or sheds, clothesline, or clothes poles, detached garages, tents (except temporary tents for events that may be approved by the Association), compost piles

or containers, decks or balconies, dog runs or animal pens, basketball goals, roof mounted appliances (such as weathervanes), casitas, exterior window planters, and radio antennas (transmitting/receiving antennas are prohibited on any lot). Thank You.



JACOB KAY

Assistant Community Manager Solera at Anthem

Jacob works tirelessly as our Election Supervisor, ARC application processor, general complaints and compliments officer. He tracks our membership statuses ensuring our community documents and files are safeguarded. In addition, Jacob prepares and attends our board meetings and manages our homeowner correspondence. He shares his 8 years of HOA experience and education with us lucky Solera residents.

Happy February Birthday, Jacob!

COMMUNITYSETVICE

FAS CONTINUES TO OFFER SERVICES TO THE RESIDENTS OF SOLERA

We are always looking for more Volunteers Call 725-244-4200

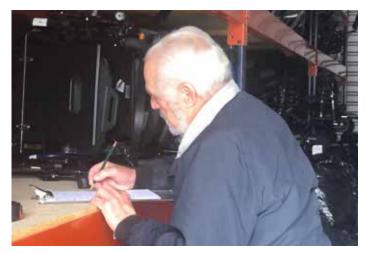
The Foundation Assisting Seniors continues to provide valuable services to the residents of Solera. Solera will always be a big part of what we do for Seniors.

The new year brings a challenge to FAS. Ours is to find more people willing to help us help Seniors in Solera. We need volunteers to become part of the FAS. We have several opportunities in Foundation office work, delivery, and fund raising.

Durable equipment loans are available to help Solera seniors and veterans remain comfortably in their own homes. Delivery and pick-up of equipment is done by our team of volunteers and includes canes, walkers, oxygen concentrators, scooters, hospital beds, and more. A comprehensive description of the program can be found at www.foundationassistingseniors.org.

Equipment is maintained, cleaned, disinfected, and sanitized using MicroShield 360. Other services offered are filter replacement, battery replacement for CO and Smoke detectors, lubricating garage doors, and replacing overhead lights. Call 725-244-4200, 9am – noon weekdays.

Our nationwide HowRUTM wellness check program makes it easy to check in on loved ones, providing piece of mind to families all over the country. A daily call is made at the time you choose. You push the number 5 on your phone to let the system know you are all right. If you do not pick up the phone, a second call is made. If this call also goes unanswered, a call is made to an emergency contact you've designated to have them check personally. To sign up for the program, visit www. foundationassistingseniors.org or call 725-244-4200.





THE VETERANS AND FIRST RESPONDERS CLUB

Together, We Honor Those That Served!

Thanks for Helping. The Club would like to take this opportunity to thank the many people that assisted us this past year. Our gratitude goes out to our Club members and Solera residents that supported our donation drives for replacement flags for our homes and the men's clothing drives for the U.S.VETS at a very difficult time, due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Now that there is a vaccine, the Club looks forward to holding club meetings and putting on club events in the coming months, hopefully sooner than later.

The members are looking forward to getting back to the clubs mission:

"The mission of this club is to promote patriotism in our community; to promote love and respect for our nation, to recognize and honor those who served in the Armed Forces of the United States, and those who served as our nation's First Responders; and to develop and strengthen friendship among club members"

For a new or replacement flag (minimum donation required) call 702-558-8459

Please visit our clubs website: SoleraVeterans.wordpress.com



A MILLION TO ONE

A million to one

That's what our folks think about this love of ours

A million to one

They say that our love will fade like yesterday's flowers . . .

But we'll forgive them because we love them

After all is said and done

Dear one, in a million, a million to one



John and Rebecca Brooks

When Phil Medley wrote the words above, and Jimmy Charles cried the ballad all the way to No. 5 on the 1960 pop chart, the Ritcheous Brothers could have had Solerans John and Rebecca Brooks in mind. At 19, the Brooks tied the knot in Des Moines, Iowa, and 58 years later, it remains firmly tied.

"We loved the song A Million to One and adopted it as ours," Becky said in an email interview. "We were married May 5, 1962 in St Anthony Catholic Church."

The two first met at John's family store B&B Grocery and Meat, where Becky shopped and John worked. "We were just friendly to each other," she said.

Although they went to different schools — Becky attended an all girl's Catholic high achool — John found a way to turn their relationship into more than that of worker/customer.

"One day when I was a junior in high school and was waiting with my friends for our bus, John drove by and

asked if we wanted a ride home," Becky said. "As he dropped me off he asked me for a date."

"We just clicked after that. He used to save all his change in a barrel bank and that's how he bought my engagement ring," she added. They married at 19 years old on May 5, 1962.

Now both are 77 "years young" and approaching their 59th wedding anniversary. "We raised four boys and three girls that have given us thirteen grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren," the two wrote. "We were involved in many of their church, school and sports activities. We bought and worked the family business in 1977, B & B Grocery, Meat & Deli, Est 1922. Our sons now work the business. We retired to Solera in 2007."

When asked the secret of taking two teenagers whose chance was one in a million to a lifetime together, they said, "We would say our secret of staying together is our family, faith, friends, fun and love we share with each other."

LET'S TALK: WHAT'S YOUR LOVE STORY?



Stephen Semmler

speaking of his wife Sung: I would say when I met my wife. That's my love story. I met her in 1976 in Korea. I didn't know

I was going to marry her. I came back to the States and said, "No, I gotta have that woman." So I called her up and said, "Would you marry me?" And she said, "You called all this way to make a joke?" And I said, "Absolutely not. " So, here we are 43 years later.



Fred Golder

speaking of his wife Ardena: I married the girl of my dreams 14 years ago and I'm 88. Besides my wife, she's my best friend. She

came to this country from the Philippines to be a school teacher and it didn't happen for her, so we both ended up in the jewelry industry . I've known her for 45 years.



Carmella Eubanks:

My love story is being a single mother and raising my son. I was never a girly girl, and as a tom boy, I always knew I would have a boy.



Diane Schoenleb

speaking of husband Dennis: I married my high school sweetheart and we've been happily married for 52 years. We have

three daughters and five grandchildren who all live in Ohio. We just moved to Solera in February.

THIS VEGAS GAMBLE PAID OFF



Barb and Larry Miller

Lots of people get married in Las Vegas -- some of their marriages even last. Some may even last 33 years. But it's unlikely those followed only a two-week courtship! Meet Solera residents Barb and Larry Miller, whose Vegas gamble has paid off for more than three decades.

"She's the love of my life, my bright spot," said Larry Miller, whose wife Barb noticed him 33 years ago, sitting at a co-worker's wedding near her Riverside, California home.

"I had been divorced for eight years, and my girlfriend and I saw Larry in the church with a male friend and we tried to decide if they were eligible," Barb said. "They looked like they were on their own."

So she and her friend took a chance and introduced themselves. It turned out Larry was the bride's uncle.

They sat together at the reception, and the next afternoon Larry called Barb. The night after that, they had their first date. Sitting in the front row of the movie Stake Out, they just "clicked."

Said Barb, "He was really attentive." At the time, she was raising 10- and 15-year-olds and working as a mortgage underwriter. Larry also was divorced, but his marriage had only ended eight months prior. He hauled concrete for a living.

"My children were on vacation with their father the first week we dated," Barb said, "so Larry spent that next week pretty much with me, and we got to know a lot about each other. He went with me that next Sunday to meet my ex and pick up my children."

Within two weeks, the two were talking about marriage. When they told their families, the reaction was predictable. "Larry's mom and sister said, 'Are you crazy?' But I'll try anything twice," Barb explained. "I've always been real independent and adventurous. If it doesn't work out, what the heck."

Soon they were in Las Vegas, at the "We've Only Just Begun" wedding chapel.

Flash-forward 33 years! According to Barb, "We never questioned the marriage. We got through whatever came up." It didn't hurt that Larry is "just the kind of guy who's never had a negative thought in his head."

"My dad always said, marry someone who loves you more than you love them," Barb explained. "I did, and I think Larry would say the same thing."

Now in their 70s, Barb and Larry remain committed to their whirlwind courtship, but 33 years together just isn't enough. She said, "Our license plate reads BNL250 – Barb and Larry to 50."





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Instructions for completing the Official Ballot

Homeowners will receive their official ballot in the mail during the last week of January 2021. Homeowners are encouraged to attend the **virtual** "Meet the Candidates" night on Thursday, January 21, 2021, at 6:00 PM prior to casting their vote. Instructions for virtual attendance of the meeting will be sent to residents, via email, a few days prior to the event. Before you mail your ballot or place it in the ballot box, please be sure to follow these instructions, otherwise your vote may not be counted.

The Ballot:

- You must be a member in good standing in order for your vote to be counted.
- Each homeowner can vote for only four (4) candidates.
- Only one vote per candidate.
- Do not make any comments, remarks or any other markings on the ballot other than your vote(s).
- Insert the completed ballot into the small green envelope.

The Small Green Envelope:

- Insert the completed ballot into the small green envelope.
- Do not make any comments, remarks or any other markings on the small green envelope marked "BALLOT"
- Do **not** include your name, address or any other identifying information on the small green envelope.
- Seal the small green envelope.
- Insert the small green envelope into the large, pre-addressed white envelope.

The Large Pre-Addressed White Envelope:

- Insert the small green envelope into the large white envelope.
- Verify that your return address is in the upper left of the white envelope. If we can't verify your address, we can't count your vote!
- If mailing, place a stamp onto the large pre-addressed white envelope. If placing in the ballot box in the clubhouse, no stamp is required.
- Ballots **MUST** be returned to Management no later than 4:00 PM on Wednesday, February 17, 2021. Ballots received later than this will **not** be counted.
- Once your ballot has been placed in the mail or into the ballot box in the clubhouse, it cannot be returned to you.

If you have any questions, please contact the Election Supervisor, Jacob Kay, at

702-207-1402 or jkay@soleraatanthem.us



Please Help RE-ELECT Chef Ken to continue all the positive improvement's to Solera. Current Solera Board Secretary

- Hello, I am Ken (Chef) Moser a 12-year resident of Solera,
- Please support me in my bid for re-election to Solera HOA Board.
- As a Director and As Secretary of the Solera HOA Board, was able to get the Bi-Annual 55 and over survey done on time, for the first-time eve.
- I was instrumental in forming the Table Tennis Club after many years of trying.
- As Secretary of the Board we have worked hard to keep the clubhouse and other faculties open during this difficult time.
- Since N.A.N. has dissolved, was a member 2008 I Have continued to serve Solera. As Vice President of FAS have continued to Help all Solera with the same services with more to come.
- Helped in creating New Business center
- Replacement of courts 1 and 2 Tennis courts
- Was a major person in Bringing Pickleball to Solera
- Installation of all new safety pads and fencing for pickle ball courts
- The new backboards for tennis and pickle ball courts
- Was instrumental in new lower rates for guest and one-person home passes
- Was part of Solera Holliday Lights upgrade
- This year helped in the upgrade of new tile and paint to upgrade our Clubhouse
- Voted the person of the Year for the FOUNDATION ASSISTING SENIORS for 2017
- F.A.S. with my help has now helped over 300.000 people in southern Nevada
- Trustee and Vice President of Foundation Assisting Seniors
- Worked as an Executive Chef for over 38 years. I have won many awards
- Worked as Vice President of Food and Beverage and Responsible for as many as 36,000 Landry employees
- As a Chef, Business Executive, and Owner I have met and worked with many people working on a multitude of business and financial plans.
- You can't be a good leader without good people. Here in Solera I will do the same as throughout my life
- I will continue to work with all to keep Solera a great Place to live.
- I am asking all to please give me your vote as a Member in good standing and No conflicts of interest. To continue to Help all Solera residents

Thanks Ken (Chef) Moser

Gatha L. Stephens (AKA Gaye)

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A little about me: I have been a passionate leader for thirty years in Corporate American and

the medical industry. What I can bring to the table is the willingness to learn, dig deep,

transfer any existing knowledge and education in business to the table with a team of people I can

learn from and grow with.

While I do not have actual HOA experience, since moving into the community 2 and ½ years ago, I

have become passionate about the appearance and concerns of our community although I respect

the character of individuality. That being said, I believe that rules should be followed and filled

with equality. I would commit to making a concerted effort to learn what there is to know

about becoming a centric board member, focusing on progressiveness collaborative partnership.

Although consistency is important and the enforcement thereof, our community will live

within the rules if they know they will consistently be enforced with each individual.

I will be honest and seek to understand how to avoid the appearance of impropriety and remain

law-abiding. I will also broach flexibility when needed with the Board.

Realizing there is much to understand, I will ask for help and wear as many hats as needed to get

us to succeed excellence at the next level. Further, I will lead and follow with a heart of forgiveness.

Warmest Regards & Happy Holidays

Gaye Stephens, MBA, MCHR

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- Updated Reserve Study
- 100% funded reserves
- Settlement of Higher Ground Lawsuit
- Common area fences repaired and painted
- Block wall repairs
- Club House Renovation
- New tennis and pickleball courts
- New homeowner's business center in clubhouse
- Reduction of guest pass to \$2.00
- Creation of a special guest pass for single homeowners
- Parking lot pavement
- All Solera Defect Account projects completed
- New Ping Pong Tables
- Covid-19 Reponses

KENNETH SAWYER

Current Vice President of Solera HOA

I am seeking re-election to our board where I may continue to work for you. It is my strong desire to actively provide positive leadership to our community.

As Vice-President and with the help of fellow board members and management, we have worked to reduce "band aid" approaches in maintaining our community. By correctly repairing, and then professionally maintaining our common area infrastructures, we have moved to the approach of prolonging the life of those items, keeping replacement costs down and quality standards up.

- USMC Veteran
- Solera Patrol Leader
- Solera Neighborhood Watch Facilitator
- Former Post 40 Commander (American legion)
- Sons of the American Legion Member
- Fraternal Order of Eagles Member
- A.S. Degree Pasadena City College
- Past Communications Committee member
- Board Liaison to Covenants and past liaison to Community Standards

I am a member in good standing and have no conflicts of interest with the association.

Name – Frank Nobel

Solera Resident – Nine Years

Originally from State of Michigan

Occupation - Retired

Employment History –

Majority of employment for the State of Michigan.

Last position was as Director of Labor Relations with the Michigan Employment Security Commission. Responsibilities included, but not limited to, member of State of Michigan management team bargaining with the United Auto Workers, lead position for the Agency bargaining team with the UAW, represent the Agency/State in grievances, arbitration and workers compensation issues.

Reason for running for Board of Director -

As a resident of the Solera Community for nine years, my wife and I have enjoyed a number of the provided benefits, such as, attending the community events presented by the Life Style Committee and others, healthy living events like line dancing, exercise programs, the gym, playing billiards and having coffee (when it was available). In short, enjoying the Solera Community. I am running for the Board of Directors, and if elected, to give a little back to the Solera Community that my wife and I have enjoyed since we moved here. Thank You.



Greetings, my name is Bob Waskowitz, and I am proudly running as a candidate for the Board of Directors for our Solera Community.

A little about my background. I am originally from Western Pennsylvania, in particular Pittsburgh. After high school I attended Thiel University and earned my Bachelor's Degree in Accounting. I then joined the U.S. Marine Corps, and spent most of my enlistment in Kansas City, Missouri. I gained a great deal of accounting and budget experience while stationed there, mostly as a disbursement clerk auditing payroll records, a sometimes challenging job! After I was discharged from the Marine Corps I joined the Internal Revenue Service at home in Pittsburgh. I was eventually promoted and spend the next thirty years auditing Fortune 500 companies, recovering millions for the U.S. Government.

In 2002, at the end of my career with the IRS, I moved to Laughlin, Nevada. During my time in Laughlin I served on the HOA Board of Directors for my community. I initially served a term as Finance Secretary, then was selected by my fellow Board Members as President. In 2010 we discovered the uniqueness of Solera at Anthem here in Henderson, and we soon bought a home here.

I am running as a candidate for the Board of Directors here at Solera for many reasons. These include:

- · Deep experience in accounting and budgeting with the U.S. Government.
- Successful management of our HOA accounts in Laughlin. I will be bringing a great deal of that knowledge and experience with finances and applications related to HOA's to Solera.
- I pride myself in teamwork and cooperation. I am confident that I will be a significant asset to the community as a member Solera Board of Directors.
- I am very motivated to work with the Directors and Management Company to solicit input from our fellow homeowners to maintain and improve the social settings here at the clubhouse.
- I am deeply interested in looking at various ways that could improve our energy saving initiatives.
 These include upgrades to pools, HVAC systems, irrigation systems throughout our community, and solar initiatives that will decrease our electric use and have a very short Return on Investment (ROI).

I look forward to your vote. I am always available for a chat and how my election to the Board of Directors at Solera at Anthem can improve our community's future. I am grateful for your support!!!



Bob Waskowitz

FEBRUARY2021 Black History Month

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		ARC 9am Bulk Trash Day FLATTENED BOXES AND BULK TRASH	Executive Board 9:30am	4	Communications 9:30am	6
7	Covenants 10am	9	Board of Directors 9:30am (Virtual)		12	13
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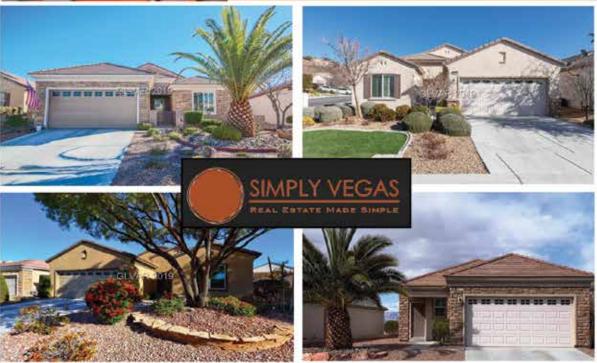
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Carol Runyan 702-558-7623
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Nick Caracci 702-480-3609 Nick89052@yahoo.com, Bob Stahurski 702-994-3919
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Poker Club Monday 12 p.m./Wednesday 6 p.m./Thursday 6 p.m. Donna Tipps 702-430-9039
Romeo's Solera Mens Club1st Saturday Buffet 8:45a.m.
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Scrabble	Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
Juanita 702-897-6257	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
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Tai Chi Clinic Ken Pavese 702-407-8111	Monday & Thursday 11:15 a.m.
ZUMBA	Thursday 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

Some activities and fitness may be temporarily suspended due to Covid-19 restrictions. Please contact the activity leader listed for information.



Back in mid-April 2020, Solera neighbor and Madeira Canyon resident David Koch and his 18-year-old son, Mason, hauled 60 solar-powered lights up onto Black Mountain. They placed the lights so, at night, an image appeared, the outline of the state of Nevada surrounding a large red heart.

The goal was to thank the medical and other personnel responding to and caring for those suffering from the coronavirus pandemic. As it turned out, everyone was impacted in some way by the pandemic. What became known as the "Heart of Nevada" lights provided a beacon of light — and hope — that could be seen from as far away as I-15.

Because the lights were on the mountain, and in the protected Sloan Canyon National Conservation Area, and thus under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management, they couldn't be permanently positioned, Koch was informed. He hoped the bureau would allow them to remain for at least a week. As it turned out, the bureau approved the placement throughout the year.

However, after a cloudy Christmas holiday weekend, the lights were not shining. They were gone, Koch discovered.

Someone had taken them, and it wasn't the Bureau of Land Management. In fact, Koch told the *Las Vegas Review-Journal* that the bureau had offered alternative sights for the lights.

As this edition of the *Solera Star* goes to press, the disappearance remains a mystery. But the message of the Heart of Nevada lights remains a memorable beacon shining in the memory of those who saw them and appreciated their message of hope and love.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH TRIBUTE

THE ROSA PARKS BUS

By Larry Edsall



The Rosa Parks bus, Montgomery City Line No. 2857

It was like entering a sacred place, and I waited until others had left and I would be the only person, the only person on the bus. But this was not just any bus. This was the bus, the very bus, the Cleveland Avenue bus, No. 2857, operated by the Montgomery (Alabama) City Line, in which Rosa Parks had refused to move to the back on December 1, 1955.

We're told she was a soft-spoken African-American seamstress, but her refusal to move to the back so a white man might take her seat, and her ensuing arrest and the resulting boycott of the bus system, were sparks that ignited the Civil Rights Movement.

That bus, a 1948 General Motors model, has been restored and can be visited at The Henry Ford, the massive history museum in Dearborn, Michigan, where its building sits next to Greenfield Village, the town created by Henry Ford for his collection of historic structures, including the Wright Bros. cycle shop, Thomas Edison's laboratory, and the Noah Webster home.

Bus 2857 remained in service in Montgomery until 1971, when it was sold as surplus. The buyer used it as a tool shed and to store lumber. After his death, his survivors sold the bus in 2001, dilapidated after sitting out in a field for 30 years. Bidding began at \$50,000 and had \$492,000 before the hammer fell and the bus became the museum's property.

Another \$300,000 was spent to restore the bus to its condition on that day in 1955. The bus went on display early in 2003 and is the centerpiece

of the museum's "With Liberty and Justice for All" exhibit.

Instead of being roped off, the museum decided to open the bus to museum visitors, who are welcome to sit in Rosa Parks' seat, to put themselves in her place and ponder what they might have done, and what they now should do.

THE BUS

There was a black lady, who sat on a bus. She wouldn't get up, so they made a big fuss. Her refusal to move, helped spark revolution, And the civil rights movement, became the solution. The problem was racism, in a nation that vowed, To protect human liberty, and yet it allowed, segregation of blacks, in most public places. The focus of life was. the color of faces. But Rosa stood up, and fought public fear. Her actions were simple, but her message was clear. Ms. Parks is a hero, even though she just sat. She helped us move forward, by not moving back.

Original Poem by Michael Bartholow

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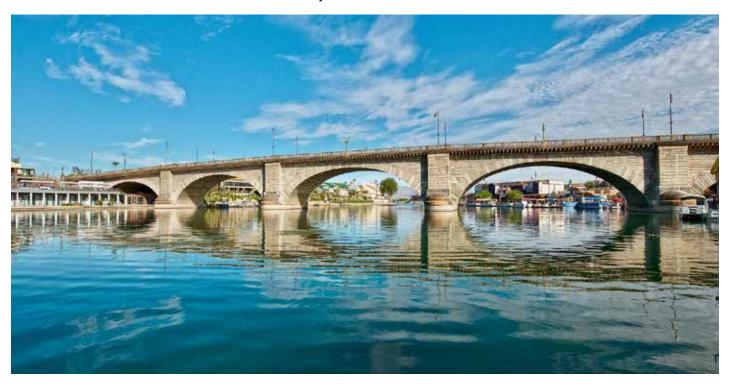
Most IlluminatedColleen Anna





SCURRY DOWN TO LAKE HAVASU

By Carol Wilhems



Family and pet-friendly, Lake Havasu is Arizona's playground, and voted in the Top 10 U.S. "Mom-Approved" places to fish and boat. It also is a 2½-hour drive south of Las Vegas.

As part of the north/west limits of the Sonoran Desert, the city and surrounding area feature outstanding biodiversity loaded with exciting experiences in, on or out of the water.

Home of the historic London Bridge, LHC sits on the eastern shore of Lake Havasu along the Colorado River. With over 140 restaurants, visitors can choose from fine dining to flip-flop-friendly. And if all the activity makes you thirsty, quenching options range from breweries to wineries.

There's naturally a historic walking tour of the London Bridge; the ½-mi walk includes 51 steps to the bridge top. Wireless narration with lightweight receivers

(worn around the neck with a lanyard) eliminates crowding to hear the tour guide. Guests receive new ear buds and sanitized receivers.

Hiking, fishing, golf, 4-wheel off-roading, mountain biking, kayaking, jet skis, stand-up paddle boards, cabana boats and floating tiki bars offer abundant activity choices. For those seeking quiet, there are two National Wildlife Refuges and lodging options across hotel/motels, camping/RV and vacation rentals.

So far, the 13th annual Rockabilly Reunion is slated for February 12-14; rocking out at the largest '50s-themed car show, music festival and retro everything. Get updates at www.golakehavasu.com

communitySPOTLIGHT

RON SMITHLING

By Diane Makar Murphy

Meet Ron Smithling from Signs by Ron. He and his wife of 47 years, Terri, relocated to Oregon for 4 years to be closer to the grandkids before joining the Solera community in 2018.

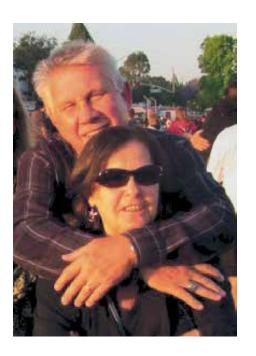
Ron was in the aerospace industry for a long time but tired of it, so for a few years he painted holiday art on store windows with a friend. Ron said he eventually went to work for a sign company and it started a new career. As he learned more about it, he realized he could do this for himself, so opened his own company.

A talented man, he also makes custom neon signs, favorite-team flags, and can do a customized project for a client.

One of the best things about his job, he said, is the many materials involved — marble, tile, wood, MDF, mirrored acrylics, etc.

Each requires a special technique and keeps Ron challenged.

Although semi-retired after 27 years in the business, Ron has continued producing custom sandblasted signs because it is the part of the business he most enjoys.





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WHATS NEW IN FACILITIES



Meet John Cannon New Facilities Manager

John has worked at Solera for about 2 months now and is amazed at the unbelievably positive and friendly welcome he has gotten from Residents at Solera. He very much appreciates the warm reception he has received from those he has met.

Originally from Tucson, AZ, John has lived in Las Vegas for 28 years, 19 of which he spent with Station Casino's as Director of Facilities. Most recently John was Vice President of Operations & Facilities for Premier Las Vegas. John has a Universal EPA Certification as well as a UST Certified Operator certification. When asked why he chose a career in Facilities, John replied "because I love troubleshooting and repairing things in general".

In his spare time John is avid golfer, loves to fish, travel, and read, and is a Golden Knights fan. Please join us as we welcome John to Solera at Anthem!



Congratulate Paul Mayen Solera's New Facilities Supervisor!!

Paul is a 2 year member of the Facilities Department and is known for his 'can do' attitude. You've all seen Paul around the Community Center and experienced the great customer service he provides. Paul enjoys his dual role as both resident and staff member and was recently promoted to Supervisor for the Facilities team.

Originally from the great state of New York, Paul is the former President/Owner of Techstrip Sales, a safety products company he founded in 2005 which made safety sensors for commercial overhead doors. Prior to this he worked for ABL Enterprises for 27 years as a production manager, his specialties being Product Delivery, Inventory, Quality Control, and Staff Recruiting & Management.

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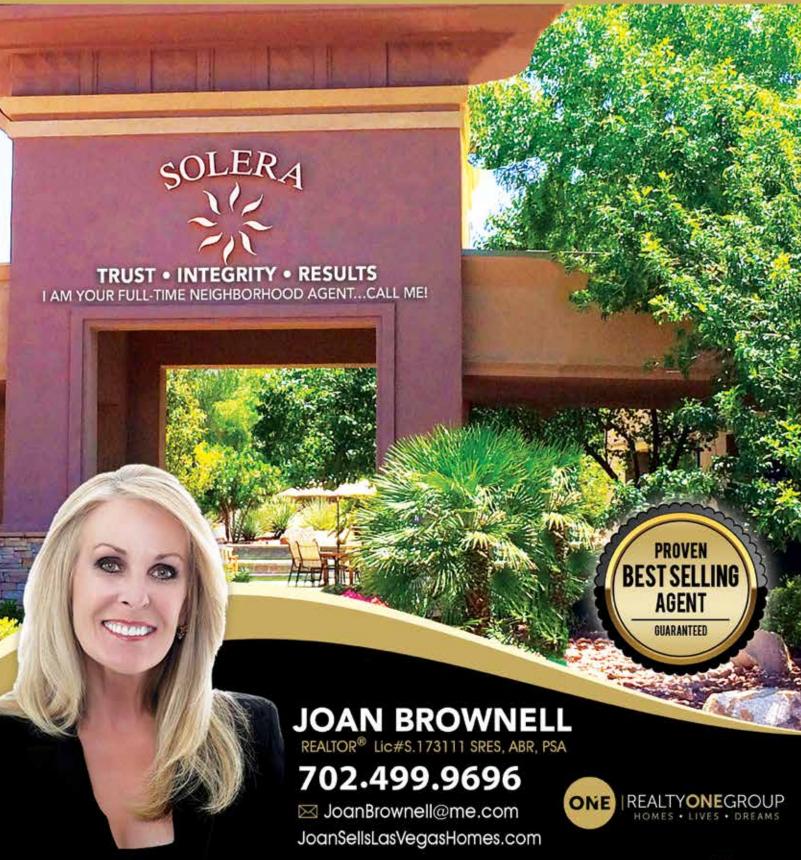




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