

October 20, 2020



## Tuesday Edition: Association News You Can Use

### What is YOUR Favorite Holiday Tradition?

Is it too soon to begin thinking about the holidays? We don't think so, and since we're already planning for the December issue of *Life in Estrella* magazine, it seems like the perfect time to ask our residents to share their favorite holiday traditions with us.

The coolest thing (if there is such a "thing" in Arizona), is that almost all of us are pioneers in some fashion, relocating from other parts of the country (or world, even) to make this state our home. What traditions did you bring with you from your previous state to State 48?



Maybe it's a day of baking cookies, or an all-day affair of pulling out the holiday decorations and deciding what goes where, or sitting down with your children to watch all the holiday specials you saw as a child through their eyes. Was it heading out to cut down the most perfect tree to bring to your home so the whole house smelled like pine? Cuddles by the fireplace after a long day shopping for the most perfect gift?

Maybe you were proposed to (or popped the question), making one particular holiday even more magical one year? Perhaps a child made a special December arrival, giving loved ones something even more special to celebrate that year?

Whatever it is (and continues to be, even in a different way, shape or form since it's \*is\* 2020), we'd love to include your favorite, funny or heart-warming traditions in the December issue of *Life in Estrella*. Please send them to Communications Manager Karen Angelo at [kangelo@ccmcnet.com](mailto:kangelo@ccmcnet.com) by **Monday, November 2**. If you have photos that represent these memories, we'd love to include them, too.

We can't wait to see how you celebrate the holidays!

## Make it a December to Remember!



Do you have what it takes to win the title of Best Holiday Decorator?

Prizes will be awarded for the best exterior home decorations in the following categories:

- Traditional Holiday Spirit
- Best Lawn Ornament Display
- Best in Show

Did Someone  
Say Holiday  
Lights  
Contest... FOR  
THE  
ESTRELLA  
MAGAZINE?!



Well, if we're going to celebrate holiday home decorating, we may as well feature one of our residents' homes in the December issue of *Life in Estrella*.

If you think you've got the golden ticket in terms of holiday decorating, please send your high-resolution image to Communications Manager Karen Angelo at [kangelo@ccmcnet.com](mailto:kangelo@ccmcnet.com) by **Monday, November 2**. Images can be from the inside of your home or outside, and can be from any year you have lived in the community.

**Winners in each category will receive a \$50 gift card!**

The link to the map of participating homes will be available on December 4 in the Friday Newsletter and on our LifeInEstrella Facebook page.

Judging will take place on Sunday,  
December 6, between 6:00-9:00 pm.

**Winners will be revealed in our Tuesday, December 8, Newsletter!**

Come on, Estrella, let's see who does the best job of channeling their inner Clark Griswold. You may land on the December *Life in Estrella* cover this year!

## Only a Few Days Left to Register!

Follow Estrella artist Debra Goley, via ZOOM, as she helps you create two of these beautiful fall-themed wine glasses!

Cost is \$25 per resident, which includes all the supplies needed to create two glasses. Supplies can be picked up at Starpointe the week of November 1.



Registration has been extended to this **Friday, October 23**, so sign up soon!

The ZOOM Meeting Link will be provided after you sign up!

**I'm Falling in Love**

with these Glasses!

## Witch-ing you a Happy Halloween Week!

*Fangs for the Memories!*

### Boo Boulevard Experience

**THIS Friday, October 23**

**5:00-9:00 p.m.**

Drive on over to Starpointe and take in all the spooky (and sweet) fun on Estrella's Drive Thru Boo Boulevard. Fun activities for the whole family, include:

A Halloween Photo BOOth (*sponsored by the Church at Estrella*), Pumpkin Patch, Candy Trail (*sponsored by Air Now Heating and Cooling*), Scarewash or Sweetwash and more!

***The deadline to register for this event is tomorrow, Wednesday, October 21***, so be sure to register at the link to the right and sign up for a specific drive thru time. The cost is only \$5/vehicle, regardless of number of occupants.



**Scary or Sweet, Sign Me Up for This Treat!**

**Virtual Pumpkin Carving  
Class**

**Wednesday, October 28**

**6:00-8:00 p.m.**

**Q:** What did the pumpkin  
say to the carver?

**A:** Cut it out!

All puns inside (we are carving pumpkins, after all), we're hoping you'll join us and world famous artist Ray Villafane for this entertaining virtual event.

Simply purchase your own pumpkin and carving tools (suggested supplies are listed on the event registration page) and follow along with Ray to carve out some fun for the entire family.

Attendees can ask questions and share comments via the chat feature during the event. Get a sneak peek at Ray's work at this [link](#) and sign up now! There are only a few spots left!



The poster features a purple and blue bokeh background. At the top, it says "Virtual" in a white script font, followed by "life in ESTRELLA" in a white serif font. Below that, "PUMPKIN CARVING CLASS" is written in large, bold, yellow block letters. Underneath, it says "Featuring World Famous Ray Villafane" in a white serif font, followed by "WEDNESDAY, OCT 28 | 6-8 PM" in large, bold, yellow block letters. At the bottom, there are three tilted photographs: the first shows a man smiling next to a carved pumpkin, the second shows a close-up of a carved pumpkin face, and the third shows another carved pumpkin face. Below the photos is the website "www.LifeInEstrella.com".

**[I'm Ready to Get Ahead of the Carve!](#)**

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**Eat Cookies Fast Enough and  
Your Fitbit Thinks You're Running...**



## Virtual 5K Turkey Trot

November 1-26

Want to feel a little less guilty about enjoying the turkey *and* the sides this Thanksgiving? Participate in our first virtual Turkey Trot -- a 3.1-mile run, walk or jog that you can complete anytime between November 1 and Thanksgiving. This is a great way to get outside with the family and enjoy our beautiful Arizona weather!

And, the first 100 finishers will receive a 2020 Turkey Trot medal. Post your time in the challenge portal and be sure to attach any photos you may have taken during your race so we can share your success on our LifeInEstrella Facebook and Instagram pages!

Top male and female competitors will receive prizes for the fastest 3.1 mile finish time.

Ready, set, go!

[Challenge Accepted!](#)



## All You Knead is Love

### Virtual Holiday Cookie Baking

Friday, November 13

6:30-7:30 p.m.

Follow along with Master Chef Jr. Season 4 alumni, Vivian Stich, as she makes her famous Orange Ricotta Softie Cookies!

A list of ingredients will be provided prior to the event so that you can follow along at home. A live Q&A will take place during the event.

Register through November 13!

[Life is What You Bake of it.](#)

so Sign Me Up!

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## October Committee Meetings

The Art Gallery Committee will meet virtually **October 21**, at **3:30 p.m.**

[Register via Zoom](#)

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### Socialize with Us!



We are regularly updating our Life In Estrella website, Facebook and Instagram pages with information about community events, news, happenings and other fun facts. If you haven't [signed up](#), [followed us](#) or [liked us](#) yet, feel free to go online, check us out, and join the conversation.

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