

December 7, 2021



Tuesday Edition: Association News You Can Use

**Board Meeting Tonight at 6:30 p.m.**

Please join the Estrella Joint Committee and Villages Community Association Boards of Directors for Board Meetings **tonight at 6:30 p.m.** As there is no actionable business to address, the Estrella Community Association Board Meeting has been cancelled.



This is a hybrid in-person / virtual meeting that will be held in the Gallery Rooms at the Starpointe Residents Club. If you would like to attend virtually, you can register in advance by clicking this link: [Zoom Registration](#). After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

You can review the agendas for the EJC and VCA Board Meetings and the meeting PowerPoint at these links:

- [Estrella Joint Committee Agenda](#)
- [Villages Community Association Agenda](#)

- [PowerPoint Presentation](#)

## Have You Seen Astrid?



Thank you to our residents who have been participating in the December Community Scavenger Hunt, "Where is Astrid, the Estrella Elf?"

This scavenger hunt will continue throughout December on random days at various locations throughout Estrella; clues to find Astrid are posted on our @LifeInEstrella social media channels and distributed via text the days the hunt takes place. To participate in the Where is Astrid Scavenger Hunt, check our social media posts (Facebook) and stories (Instagram) at 9:00 a.m. for clues to her

whereabouts. Then, take a picture of you and Astrid, and bring your photo to the Front Desk at either Residents Club where you will be rewarded with some holiday treats! If you haven't signed up for our text messaging service yet, text the word "events" to 623-243-5831 and you will begin receiving clues.

And, participants who fill out a tag with their name and email address at the Clubs will be entered into a drawing to win one of two "The Elf on a Shelf: A Christmas Tradition" books. Winners will be announced on Thursday, December 23... the more you participate, the greater your chance of winning! And, if you tag @LifeInEstrella and use the #IFoundAstrid hashtag in the photos you post, we will feature your scavenger hunt success in our #ShoutOutSaturday social media posts.

Our next clue will be sent via text and posted on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) tomorrow at 9:00 a.m.! Good luck finding Astrid!

## Gnome Kidding... There's Holiday Crafts at Starpointe!

As part of our Where is Astrid? activity, residents of all ages can create their own elf puppet at the Starpointe Residents Club! Instructions and supplies are provided. There is also a flyer with a QR Code with a link for other fun projects you and the kids can do at home. Flyers and activities will change each week in December.



Be sure to stop by the Residents Library in Starpointe any time and spend some quality time creating a fun holiday craft with the kids or even by yo'elf!

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## Last Call!

### *Letters to Santa are Being Delivered to the North Pole This Week!*



There's still time to stop by Santa's two official Post Offices at the Starpointe and Presidio Residents Clubs and write him a letter! Letters will be sent to the North Pole this week, so be sure to write your letter and include your return address by December 9 to receive a personalized letter back from Santa Claus!

*There is still time to make the holidays even more special for an Estrella child by volunteering to respond as Santa to the letters written by our littlest believers! Please contact Communications Manager Karen Angelo at [kangelo@ccmcnet.com](mailto:kangelo@ccmcnet.com) if you are interested. Letters will be distributed to letter writers this week!*



It's time to vote!

December 10, 5:00 PM - December 12, 11:00 PM

Estrella residents may vote  
for their favorite Holiday Lights!

Visit [LifeinEstrella.com](http://LifeinEstrella.com) or scan the QR code below to  
find the list of participating homes. After touring,  
come back to cast your vote online!

Winners will be announced on December 14.



[What a De-LIGHT! I'll be Voting  
This Weekend!](#)

### **Ready. Set. GLOW!**

It's time to bundle up the kids, play your favorite holiday music, and take in all of the holiday lights in Estrella!

Judging will start at **5:00 p.m. on Friday, December 10**, and continue through **Sunday, December 12**; winners and prizes will be announced on Tuesday, December 14!

Prizes will be awarded in the following categories:

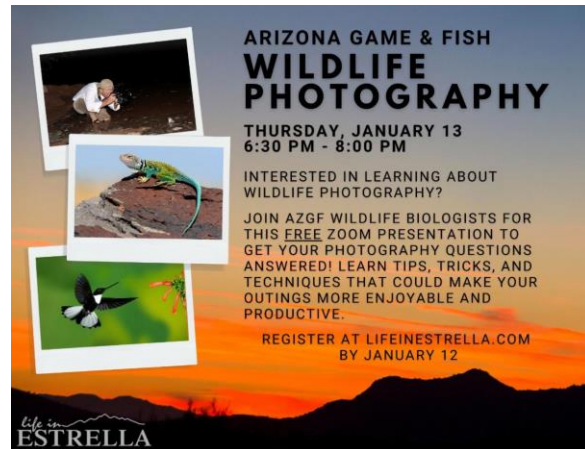
- Traditional Holiday Spirit
- Best Light and Lawn Ornament Display
- Best in Show

***Scan the QR code to see the list of participating homes!***

## This News is Wild!

Are you interested in photographing wildlife but don't know where to start? Or maybe you have some experience, but are interested in learning some tips about where and when to go in order to maximize your photography time in the field?

Join wildlife biologists from Arizona Game and Fish, who will share information all wildlife photographers should think about before leaving on a wildlife photography adventure. During this presentation, you will learn general tips, tricks, and techniques that could make your outings more enjoyable and productive!



[Snap My Spot!](#)



[You Have Questions? Kerry Has Answers!](#)

## Toys for Tots Toy Drive!

The Estrella Car Club will deliver toys donated at the Starpointe and Presidio Residents Clubs to the Marine Recruiting Station in Litchfield Park soon! If you haven't already, there is still time to drop off your donation at both Residents Clubs. Toys will be accepted **through 8:00 p.m. on Friday, December 10.**





***Many thanks to these local businesses who sponsored our WinterFest event last Saturday!***

Beautycounter

Beyond Gymnastics

Crafters Committee

Edward Jones

Estrella Family Care and Aesthetics

Estrella Wellness & Hair Studio

Mountain Ranch Dentistry

Nexa Mortgage

ProCare Physical Therapy 2

The Church at Estrella

The Church at Estrella Teens

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West Valley R/C Mariners

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Hearing Your Feedback Would be Very Ice Indeed!

Did you attend Winterfest on **Saturday, December 4?** If so, we would love to hear your feedback! Please take this quick, five-question survey and share your feedback and ideas with us!



[I'd Like to Share the Froze and Cons!](#)

***With These Events, It Will Be Love at Frost Sight!***

***Click on the Flyers to Sign Up ...***



**ESTRELLA GIVES BACK**

**DATES TO GIVE:  
NOVEMBER 2ND - DECEMBER 16TH**

Estrella Gives Back is an opportunity to support some resident families who need assistance during the holiday season. You can help by donating gift cards of any denomination and from any store.

There are two ways to give:  
Bring your gift cards to Starpointe or Presidio Residents Clubs. Indicate gift card amount on the card.  
or  
Send donations via Venmo to @girlscouts2894 who will purchase a gift card on your behalf. Include "Estrella Gives Back" in the memo section.

Questions? Contact social committee members:  
Georgie Kingensmith [georgiegl11@sbcglobal.net](mailto:georgiegl11@sbcglobal.net) or  
Cathy Dileo [cathydi909@yahoo.com](mailto:cathydi909@yahoo.com)

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**ESTRELLA**



**Featuring:**  
- Chicken Coop  
- 2 Fat Guys  
- Cheese E Wagon  
- Eat Lobster  
- Bonzai Boys  
- Frosted Frenzy  
\*Trucks subject to change

**FOOD TRUCK NIGHT**

Live music by Copper Sunrise - Craft Items for Purchase

**Thursday, December 16 | 4:30-7:30 PM**  
**Starpointe Residents Club**

Seating is limited - Bring a chair!

Please note alcohol is not permitted at this event.

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Because of you, life doesn't stop. #VitalToLife

**Community of Estrella  
BLOOD DRIVE**

Saturday, January 8  
9:00 am - 1:00 pm  
Gallery Room

Contact Helene Benigno at 623-386-1112 or visit  
donors.vitalant.org (Blood Drive Code: CommEstrella)

The Thunderbirds would like to thank you for giving blood Jan. 1 - 10 with  
a voucher to redeem online for a free one-day admission ticket to the 2022  
Waste Management Phoenix Open, (up to a \$75 value).

**DONATE BLOOD**  
vitalant.org | 877-25-VITAL

**ADVANCE APPOINTMENTS**  
are encouraged to help  
maintain social distancing.

Regardless of vaccination  
status, all donors must  
bring and wear a **MASK**  
or **CLOTH-BASED**  
**FACE COVERING**.

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**NEW RESIDENT  
ORIENTATION**

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27  
6:00 - 8:00 PM

Meeting held  
in-person at Starpointe &  
broadcast virtually via Zoom.

Come meet & mingle with  
other new residents! Enjoy a  
short community presentation  
and ice breaker game.  
Free refreshments!

**HOME  
sweet  
HOME**

**REGISTER ON LIFEINESTRELLA.COM  
BY JANUARY 25TH**

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## This Just in...

***The Saturday, December 11, Ultimate Chicago Show at the Estrella Foothills High School Performing Arts Center (PAC) is completely sold out, including single seats.***

## Committee Meeting Updates







Discover. Connect. Belong.

Socialize with Us!

We regularly update 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.

Estrella Joint Committee | (623) 386-1112 | [www.LifeInEstrella.com](http://www.LifeInEstrella.com)

Professionally Managed by [CCMC](#)

[New Home Info](#) (623) 386-1000

Community Patrol (602) 329-0462

After Hours (800) 274-3165

Emergencies 9-1-1

Starpointe Residents Club (623) 386-1949

Presidio Residents Club (623) 322-7841