

Red Mountain Ranch Up Close

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HIT FOR THE CURE tennis event ready for your rackets

By AnnElise Makin

Bring your racket, have a hoot, and do some good along the way!

As the highly popular Red Mountain Ranch Hit for the Cure tennis fund-raising event gears up for its 11th year, on Oct. 15, the organizing committee is lining up the last little pieces. Last year, the Hit for the Cure exceeded a record mark of \$19,000 for the American Cancer Society (ACS).



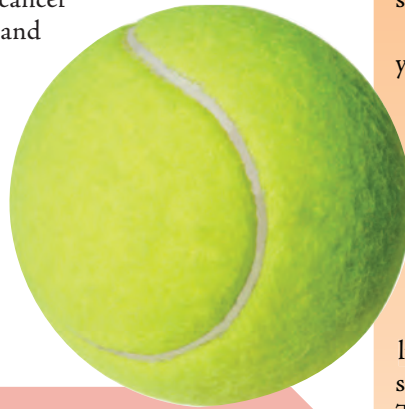
well-seasoned Tennis Director Ray K, has fine-tuned the “crazy flow in the registration,” and is prepared to sign up hordes of players. Auction chairs, Renee Knorr and Carmen Atherstone, have collated a superior bidding strategy. Their tables are predicted to bend under the load of attractive prizes for the maximum profit of the ACS.

Once again, Sue Kienitz will be in charge of the do-overs. These are little second chances for scoring, which you can buy for \$5. Sue knows plenty about second chances, but two things she does not ever want to do

over again are chemo and radiation therapy.

“I can’t say enough about the wonderful support from the Red Mountain Ranch community when someone is struggling with illness,” Sue spontaneously testified. She was diagnosed with ovarian cancer in 2007, underwent surgery and chemotherapy back then, and was just recovering from treatment of a recent relapse in the lymph nodes.

It takes many volunteers to pull off the Hit for the Cure. Take, for example, multiple-year



veteran and raffle master Stan Binder. He rattles off his scheme with, “Six tickets for 5 bucks, 12 tickets for 10 bucks, and 25 tickets for 20 bucks, I’d say. And, if you win the raffle, you can’t give it back,” Stan said.

Registration, score keeping, auction, sponsor recognition, catering, decorations, set up, clean up, promotion and advertising, there is not enough room to name all the good people. Tennis or not, the Hit for the Cure provides plenty of socializing for everybody, and a band will be playing, too.

A special treat will be the performance of a young singer and songwriter, Wendy’s daughter, Sheridan Skarda. She will be singing two of her songs, *You’re Not Alone*, written in tune with the Relay for Life, and *Still Standing*, written in support of her mom’s struggle with breast cancer.

It’s going to be some party! Hit man Ray wants you to sign up! ■

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RED MOUNTAIN Ranch Garage Sale Set for November

By Jay Williamson, Social Club Garage Sale
Chairman and Treasurer

The Red Mountain Ranch Garage Sale will take place on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 11 and 12.

Once again this year, the Red Mountain Ranch Social Club is sponsoring one of the largest garage sales in the Valley.

We had 176 sellers last year, and hope for more this year. Every year, hundreds of buyers come because this is one-stop shopping at its best.

Sellers are located throughout our community. If one seller does not have what you want, go to another just down the street.

If you live in Red Mountain Ranch and would like to participate and sell items at the sale, please send your \$15 fee and the completed coupon on page 6, to Treasurer and Garage Sale Chairman Jay Williamson, at 6508 E. Star Valley St., Mesa 85215. Your e-mail address is required so we can contact you about where and when to pick up your garage sale packets.

If you have any questions, contact Jay Williamson, at jaywilliamson@yahoo.com.

Please do not schedule an independent garage sale at the same time, since these November dates are reserved for our Community Garage Sale. We invite you to join our sale instead.

The Red Mountain Ranch Social Club meets on the second Thursday of the month at 9:30 a.m. at the Red Mountain Ranch Country Club. Be our guest. You do not need to be a member to attend. ■



11th Annual Hit For The Cure tennis benefit and auction

October 15, 7 a.m. Start Off
Red Mountain Ranch Country Club

All fun-loving singles and doubles players are welcome. Register as individuals or teams. Select your level of mastery.

Entry fees are \$30 for the first event, \$10 for the second. Do-overs can be bought at registration or as needed during the competition.

Silent auction and 50/50 raffle continue throughout the day. Tennis ends at 7 p.m., but the party is on at the poolside through the night until 11 p.m. or later.

Main court sponsor, as in previous years, is the Barnet Dulaney Perkins Eye Center, in Superstition Springs. Additional court sponsors are available.

All proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society—East Valley, and will directly contribute to the wellness of local cancer patients. ■

For tennis tournament registration, contact Ray K by e-mail at rayk@rmrcc.com. All auction donations will be recognized in the program. If you have an item to donate, contact Renee Knorr at rjknorr@cox.net.

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