



State of the Pueblo

Allan Bogutz, President

It is a pleasure to write this end-of-the-year report to our neighbors. For all of us, this has been a busy year, one that will be busier as the holidays approach.

The “state of the Pueblo” is excellent. We have gained some new neighbors and the winter sun that we have is now repaying us for a hot summer.

The Board has had a busy and productive year.

- Our roads have been resurfaced and should last another fifteen years.
- We have clarified the policy on short term, non-renewable rentals under extraordinary circumstances.
- We have enforced the covenant against unauthorized rentals in several cases without having to incur legal expenses.
- New tables and chairs have been purchased to be used at our official events, thus saving future rental expenses.
- There have been several very successful community events and the upcoming Holiday Party should be outstanding.
- We have responded to complaints and, in one case, the board made corrections to a property with neglected landscaping and other issues and we have now been reimbursed by the owner, again without incurring any legal fees.
- We have kept our streetside bulbs lit and have arranged for a new system of replacement of the bulbs in the coming year.
- We have effectively met as a board and have approved several modifications within our rules and using our new forms and process for such approval. The board has also responded to a number of other requests and provided guidance to neighbors.
- Monthly, excellent guidance on garden options that comply with the neighborhood’s rules has been in our Newsletter.
- Our newsletter is outstanding and is actually a real model of excellence for a community of our size and done strictly by volunteers.



- Minera and Adelita pools have been more problematic than usual this past year. We had to replace the heat pump at Minera and Adelita needed repairs to the pool walls as well as some mechanical parts replaced. Minera and Caballo have been put to bed until next spring but Adelita pool and spa are in great shape to be enjoyed all winter.
- The pool furniture is scheduled for restoration and, for some items, replacement in the coming year.
- AND we have stayed within our budget and have a substantial fund left in our contingency account after all of the road work has been completed.

All of this has been possible with the exceptional hard work and collegiality of the board members and the many volunteers throughout the Pueblo. To all of them and you, I say thank you for the opportunity to have helped this past year. And Yvonne and I wish each of you a wonderful holiday season and a healthy and happy new year.

LETTER FOR ROAD REPAIR

Avenida de Posada continues to be in need of substantial restoration or replacement. Pima County has done some restoration but the road continues to consist more of repairs than roadway. It is constantly falling to pieces. At the end of this newsletter you will find a letter to sign to be delivered to our local Supervisor. If you print, sign and bring this to the Annual Meeting, we will see that it is delivered to Ally Miller, the incoming Supervisor. We will have extra copies at the meeting. If you do not intend to be at the meeting, please get the letter, signed, to Connie Church.

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REMEMBER:

The Association and some neighbors will provide appetizers, cheese and crackers, two main courses (meat and fish), side dishes, rolls, wine and soft drinks.

If you have a specific beverage of choice, you may bring that along.

Anyone wishing to add to the fun can bring a dessert.

Be kind to your neighbors and leave the driveway open for our friends with handicap plates.

Finally, bring a coat if you wish to enjoy the patio.

HOLIDAY CHEER!




*Please join your friends and neighbors
for the 2012 Catalina Pueblo*

HOLIDAY PARTY




Sunday, December 9

6:00 until 8:00pm

At the home of our gracious hosts

*Nancy Meister & Jay Book
6322 North Calle del Caballo*

Landscape/Architecture

Donn Poll, Chair

Rules are a double-edged sword: annoying when they require a little extra effort but useful in shaping the neighborhood's quality of life. To help us all start the new year within the rules, and before your board starts the new year with a flurry of rule violation notices, here is a rundown of commonly-tested rules:

RATS: We are all responsible to see that the "hygiene" of our landscape does not promote rat nests. Please thin or remove thick stands of prickly pear cactus and other clustered plants. There are several packrat middens now in the neighborhood. (Section 3 – 3.2 of the current rules.)

MISTLETOE: 'Tis the season to steal a kiss under the mistletoe. But after the kiss please remove the mistletoe from your trees. There are at least five properties with mistletoe growing in trees at present. (Section 3 – 3.2 of the current rules.)



Mistletoe in
Catalina Pueblo tree

PARKING: Not all homes in Catalina Pueblo have space for parking in front of their garages or an approved parking space. Long-term or daily parking is not allowed on the street. That means each resident is responsible for finding an approved parking place for resident vehicles. (Visiting vehicles are, of course, allowed short-term parking on the road sides.) (Section 4 - 4.1 of the current rules.) Note: Pool parking lots are not to be used for long term parking either during the day or night.

EXTERIOR PAINT COLOR: There are only three approved paint colors for the exterior of homes in Catalina Pueblo. As it stands, violators will be asked to make necessary corrections. Currently approved: Dunn Edwards Spanish White – DEC 724; Dunn Edwards Weathered Brown – DEC 756; Dunn Edwards Reef Encounter –DEC 733. (Section 2.2 – 2.2.2 of the current rules.)

LANDSCAPE CHANGES: Landscape changes outside the wall of patios are to be approved by the board. This includes removing or adding trees, plantings or structures such as walls or gradings. (Section 2. – 2.1 – 2.1.1 of the current rules.)

COMMON SPACE: The only spaces commonly owned by the association are the roads and area surrounding the pools. Property owners are responsible to maintain the space between houses. Thus, property owners are responsible for negotiating landscape issues with their neighbors. Board members may be asked to step in to provide notice of a rule violation.

PETS: Dogs are never to be off leash in Catalina Pueblo, and all dog waste must be picked up. That means it is not acceptable to let your dog out to do its business unless it is on one end of a leash with a person (holding a plastic bag or scooper) on the other. (Section 6 – 6.3 and 6.4.)

THANK YOU... for reviewing and following all the rules: <http://www.catalinapueblo.com/sitebuildercontent/sitebuilderfiles/cparules2011final.pdf>

Happy New Year!

Pools Chair

Jean Paine

This has been a tough year for the pools due to serious maintenance issues. Adelita had rebar work and spa and pool circulation system repairs. Unfortunately we had to replace the heat pump at Minera. Caballo, fortunately, was fine. We also upgraded the railings on the stairs at Adelita and Caballo to ADA standards.

Some of the pool chairs are beginning to show wear and tear. Please treat the furniture with respect as replacements are very expensive.

It has been a busy year for your pool committee and we are happy to say all is in good shape currently.

Yvonne Rolston
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Pueblo Plodders

Yvonne Rolston

The Plodders had a great first hike on the Gilbert Escandon Jimenez Trail on Sentinel Peak (A-Mountain). Jeff & Judy Mott led this hike then lead us to Amelia Grey's for a wonderful lunch.

Following is the hiking schedule for December & January. Please contact the leader if you have any questions.

Upcoming Hikes

December 5 - Linda Vista Trail
Leader: Connie Church

December 12 - Tanque Verde Trail
Leader: Jean Paine

December 19 - Panther Peak - Roadrunner Loop
Leader: Yvonne Rolston

January 9 - Arizona Trail
Leaders: Bill & Lee Strang

January 16 -
Leaders: Jeff & Judy Mott

January 23 - Douglas Spring Trail
Leader: Allan Bogutz

January 31 -
Leader: David Holter

Treasurer

Traci Grabb

Your 2013 Annual Dues of \$500 are due in January. Any dues not received by January 31, will be deemed late and assessed a 10% late fee. You may pay your dues by check at the Annual Meeting on January 8, 2013.

If you will not be at the annual meeting, please either deliver or mail your check to Connie Church, 2568 E. Cerrada Caballo.

If anyone needs payment arrangements please contact Connie by phone (208) 771-0507 or email: conniechurch313@gmail.com as soon as possible to avoid late fees.



All residents of Catalina Pueblo are welcome to join us for some or all the hikes through the winter season. There is no need to call ahead to reserve a place, please feel free to simply arrive outside Adelita Pool at 8:30 each Wednesday morning.

Be sure to arrive on time so we don't leave any hopeful but tardy hiker unwittingly behind. Come armed with the requisite bottles of water, comfortable clothes, hiking boots/shoes and sun hats. We will continue the tradition of car pooling to the trailhead and later enjoying a lunch within easy reach of the trail, so please bring your wallet along too. We usually return to the Pueblo in the early afternoon around 2:00.

Garden Gallimaufry

Mark Sammons

Mark J. Sammons
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Do you trash that poinsettia after the holiday season? You needn't, especially if you are up for a little botanical challenge. They can be carried over from year to year in Tucson.

The poinsettia botanical name, *Euphorbia pulcherrima*, means "most beautiful *Euphorbia*." *Euphorbias* comprise a world-wide genus of 2000 species and mind-boggling variety, including Moroccan mound, candallila, gopher plant, and crown of thorns. In this leafless clan, the poinsettia is something of a surprise. Its "flowers" are not flowers at all, but modified leaves called bracts. At their center is a cluster of tiny yellowish waxen flowers of typical *euphorbia* form.



Poinsettias are native to subtropical deciduous forests of Pacific Mexico from southern Sinaloa southward to Guatemala. When the forest trees shed their leaves in autumn, more light reaches the under-story poinsettias, preparing them for bloom.

The Aztecs used the colorful bracts of poinsettias as a dyestuff, and an extract of the plant medicinally to treat fever. Don't try this at home; the white sap of this and all *Euphorbias* is poisonous.

Spanish colonists noticed the poinsettia, and as early as the 1600s missionaries decorated their churches with it at Christmas. They absorbed it into their arsenal of teaching

devices, interpreting the form as suggestive of the star of Bethlehem, and the red color as foreshadowing Jesus' blood at his crucifixion. In modern Mexico and Guatemala it is known as *noche buena*, "blessed night" meaning Christmas Eve.

Eventually a folk tale grew up around the plant. It tells of a poor child who wished to make a Christmas offering, received the message from an angel to make an offering of roadside weeds, which miraculously burst forth in splendid red blooms. This is aligned with many other folk tales associating flowers with saints and miracles (Saints Dorothy, Cecelia, Zita).

The plant received its English language name in the 1820s when Joel Roberts Poinsett introduced it to the United States. He was the son of a wealthy Charleston family who was widely traveled in Europe, Russia, the Caucasus, Chile, Argentina and Brazil. He was special envoy to newly-independent Mexico from 1822 to 1830. Always interested in botany, he sent home samples of this curious plant. By the 1830s Americans called it "poinsettia." Not incidentally, Poinsett was cofounder of the National Institution for the Promotion of Science which evolved into the Smithsonian Institution.

Frost tender sub-tropical poinsettias used to shed all their green leaves in the shock of transfer from warm bright greenhouse to dim drafty homes. In 1963 horticulturalists found a plant that held its leaves in adverse indoor conditions, a natural mutation. It became the ancestor of the leaf-retaining plants we know today.

The key to bringing them back into bloom the following year is replicating the conditions of their native habitat: woodland soil, bright shade and ample water in summer, cool sunny winters with less water, and natural day and night length. If you are intrigued by the challenge, here are the specifics:

- After the holiday, transplant to a larger pot with bagged potting soil. If using a terra cotta pot, line it with plastic (bubble wrap or trash

Garden Gallimaufry – continued Mark Sammons



bag) to minimize extreme fluctuations in soil moisture. Use potting soil with a time-release fertilizer.

- Winter, place in an east or southern exposure with at least a full morning's sun.
- On frosty nights pull it back into a porch, stake and cover it. If a hard frost is predicted, bring it indoors. When morning temperatures warm up return it to its outdoor spot.
- In late spring move it to bright shade where it will get no direct sun after 10:00 a.m. such as under a tree or porch.
- Most of the year, water every two or three days. When temperatures rise above 90, water daily.
- Feed with coffee grounds monthly.
- No need to pinch, but every third year, if it has become too spindly, you can snip it back a bit when new spring growth starts.
- When the weather cools in autumn, move it back to morning or half-day sun.

Like all flowering plants, the poinsettia's bloom period is determined by the length of night. Poinsettias require natural-length nights of twelve hours or more, as occur after the autumn equinox. Place it where a porch light or car headlights will not disrupt its nights.

In the wild, poinsettias are a loosely-formed shrub with smaller blossoms than what we see in a florist's poinsettia. Florists treat them with special hormones to keep them short and stocky. The effects of this will wear off your plant; when carried over it will become a taller and more loosely-formed plant, with smaller red bracts than when you first acquired it, but the reward of success is delight enough.

Happy holidays!

Pottery Sale Marianne Van Zyll

The 12th Annual Pottery Sale, a fund raiser for the Arizona Cancer Centers Patients Assistance Fund, will be held on Thursday, December 6 from 10am - 4pm at 3838 N. Campbell (corner of Allen and Campbell, also known as the old Tucson General).

You will find hand crafted pottery, jewelry, photo cards, textiles, wood carvings, and paintings for sale. There will also be a silent auction and a raffle.

If you'd like to make a donation of your artistic talents, we will welcome it with open arms. We will gladly pick up your items. Just call Cathy Parsons (797-0595) or Kristin Uribe (694-9004) for pick up or more information.

Proceeds of this sale will benefit the Patients Assistance Fund. This fund is available to all cancer center patients through an application process and helps them pay for items not covered by insurance like co-pays, some medications, utility bills, rent, gas for transportation.

**Catalina Pueblo Association 's
authorized trash hauler:**

Trash only: Tuesday

Recycle & Trash: Friday

Reliable Environmental Services

Robert Howe 400-0163

email: robert@restucson.com

Website Connie Church

Happily, our Catalina Pueblo website is back up and we have been able to update newsletters and minutes.

The software is still problematic so we will start building a new site this winter. While we are doing this, the old site will be updated then replaced completely with the new site when completed.

www.catalinapueblo.com will remain our domain name.

DECEMBER GARDEN CALENDAR

Check weather forecast for freeze warnings;

Cover the tips of sensitive columnar cacti with styrofoam cups;

Cover aloes, citrus, winter annuals and other sensitive plants when temps fall below 28°F; Never cover with plastic;

Reduce watering/irrigation of perennials to minimum;

Do not feed perennials; Do feed winter-blooming annuals;

Water annual wildflower seedlings weekly during dry spells.

pueblorecipes

recipes collected and edited by david scott allen • december 2012



Pumpkin Pie

This is a traditional holiday dessert - and very simple to make!

<i>1 unbaked pie crust for a 10-inch pie</i>	<i>½ teaspoon ground cloves</i>
<i>1 cup sugar</i>	<i>1½ cups cooked (canned) pumpkin</i>
<i>½ teaspoon salt</i>	<i>1 14-ounce can evaporated milk</i>
<i>1½ teaspoons cinnamon</i>	<i>½ cup milk or cream</i>
<i>½ teaspoon ground ginger</i>	<i>2 eggs, slightly beaten</i>

Preheat oven to 425°F. Line a 10-inch pie plate with the pastry dough and crimp the edges. Combine the remaining ingredients in a large bowl, and beat until smooth. Pour the filling into the prepared crust. Place in the oven and bake for 10 minutes. Reduce the heat to 300°F and bake another 55-65 minutes until the center is just slightly wobbly. Let cool completely. Serve with lightly sweetened whipped cream or ice cream.

Serves 8-10.

Tried & True Trades

Adobe

Armando Pacheco

302-0711 (cell) 663-1386

Recommended by Aldine von Isser & Hal Grieve

Auto Maintenance

Kurt Tomson - Mechanic

940-7285 (works on all types of vehicles)

Recommended by Joe & Sandra Thompson

Jim Davis - Alignment

Double D Alignment - 632-4842

Recommended by Joe & Sandra Thompson

Carpet Cleaning

Boys Chemdry 760-2244

Recommended by Caryl Daugherty

Custom Cabinets

Rene Menard Woodworks Custom Cabinets

400-5530 or Nogales #287-8643

Recommended by Marianne Van Zyll

Computer Repair

Corey Walton 498-4854

Recommended by Dan Peters

Student Experts 762-6687

Recommended by Marianne Van Zyll & Pat Wagner

Dogs

Patty Monson (Dog Walker) 572-1467

Camalot Canine Resort (Boarding) 742-6279

Recommended by Walter Gaby

Drywall & Painting

Ruben Duran 275-5532

Recommended by Jeff & Judy Mott

Electrician

Phil Clouch - 520-390-0471

Recommended by Jeff & Judy Mott

Frank Tentschert 577-4987 & 907-5990

Recommended by Jo Ann Marcus

Furniture Craftsmen, Antique

Restoration and more

John 888-9234 furniturecraftsmen@yahoo.com

Recommended by Marianne Van Zyll

Garage Door - Repair

Anthony Labato - C&R Garage Doors

312-9325

Recommended by Jeff Mott

Handiman

Cary McKeever 241-0810

Recommended by Lew & Caryl Daugherty

David Martinez 237-2934

Recommend by Marianne Van Zyll & Rob & Jeanie Girman

Heating & Cooling

Hamstra Heating & Cooling - Wes Adams

629-9833 ext. 317

Recommended by Nancy Milburn

House Cleaning Services

Alexandra Nicol 400-6058

Recommended by Carol Sinclair & Jean Paine

Angie Stokes 270-4875

Recommended by Nanci Hartwick

Maria Josefina Leon 339-0646

Recommended by Gisele Nelson & Sandra Nelson-Winkler

Trini Baker (Spanish Speaker)

Call Joe (820-8364) as her English is limited

Recommended by Joe & Sandy Thompson

Levinia 406-5630 & **Pamela** 269-6217

Recommended by Paul Maxon & Yvonne & Allan Boguz-

Landscaping/Gardeners

Blue Agave Landscape & Lighting Design

Dean Alexander 325-4242

Recommended by David Scott Allen & Mark Sammons

Margaret L. Joplin 623-8068 or 271-6585(c)

Design & Installation

Recommended by Paul Maxon

Francisco Enriquez 405-8527

Recommended by Jo Ann Marcus & Gisele Nelson

Pots: The Mexican Garden, Marta Avila

2901 N. Oracle 624-4772

Recommended by Jo Ann Marcus

Manicure/Pedicure, Gels & Silks

Victoria at **Mauricio Fregoso Salon** 795-3384

Recommended by Connie Church

Mason

Michael Herlihy 406-8358

Recommended by Russ Carden & Marianne Van Zyll

Painter

Enrique Espinoza 312-4562

Recommended by Nancy Milburn

Plumber

David Solis 990-5437

dependableplumbingservices@gmail.com

Recommended by Cherry Rosenberg

Jerry Walker, Walkers Plumbing 909-0600

Recommended by Russ Carden

Steve Konst 883-1635

Recommended by Aldine von Isser & Hal Grieve

Remodels & General Construction

Ted Vasquez 241-9799

Recommended by Bill & Cassandra Ridlinghafer

Craig Spittle 204-4149

Recommended by Joe & Sandra Thompson

Ron Landis 743-4892 rlandis55@yahoo.com

Recommended by Nancy Milburn & Ellen Siever

Roofing

Spencer Roofing - 616-0181

Recommended by Adrian & Rosemary Pinto

Window Cleaning

Doug & Deb Lockett 584-8419

Recommended by Caryl Daugherty

Treasurer
Traci Grabb

2012 Budget Report to October 31

	Budget	Actual	Balance
Income:			
Association Dues	\$ 54,000.00	\$ 54,100.00	\$ 100.00
Interest Income	20.00	31.23	11.23
Title Transfer Fees	<u>400.00</u>	<u>400.00</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL INCOME	<u>\$ 54,420.00</u>	<u>\$ 54,531.23</u>	<u>\$ 111.23</u>
Expenses:			
Administrative:			
Postage/Printing/Misc.	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 738.26	\$ 261.74
Taxes & Fees	100.00	34.02	65.98
Insurance	<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>1,992.05</u>	<u>7.95</u>
Subtotal	<u>\$ 3,100.00</u>	<u>\$ 2,764.33</u>	<u>\$ 335.67</u>
Capital Account Contribution:	\$ 1,000.00	\$.00	\$ 1,000.00
Community Infrastructure:			
Landscaping	\$ 6,600.00	\$ 4,950.00	\$ 1,650.00
Contingencies	3,650.00	1,480.00	2,170.00
Roads & Drainage	48,284.59	48,966.08	681.49
Security (bulbs, etc.)	<u>1,200.00</u>	<u>371.60</u>	<u>828.40</u>
Subtotal	<u>\$ 59,734.59</u>	<u>\$ 55,767.68</u>	<u>\$ 3,966.91</u>
Community Social Activities:	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 979.72	\$ 1,020.28
Recreational - Pools			
Routine Services/Chemicals	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 4,665.34	\$ 1,334.66
Pool Repairs	7,660.00	11,343.28	3,683.28
Southwest Gas	10,000.00	6,620.41	3,379.59
Tucson Electric Company	7,500.00	5,068.33	2,431.67
City of Tucson Water	1,650.00	2,118.91	468.91
Housekeeping	1,960.00	1,490.00	470.00
Other (permits/termites)	<u>600.00</u>	<u>1,064.00</u>	<u>464.00</u>
Subtotal	<u>\$ 35,370.00</u>	<u>\$ 32,370.27</u>	<u>\$ 2,999.73</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>\$ 101,204.59</u>	<u>\$ 91,882.00</u>	
REMAINING FUNDS			<u>\$ 9,322.59</u>

2012 Contingency Account (Reserve Funds)

Beginning Balance as of 10/1/2012	\$ 14,681.12
Interest	0.62
Ending Balance as of 10/31/2012	<u>\$ 14,681.74</u>

Annual Meeting
January 8th - Tuesday
Catalina Foothills High School - Seminar Room
Refreshments: 6:15 Meeting: 7:00 - 9:00

2012 Board of Directors

- Allan Bogutz** — *President*
- Russ Carden** — *Vice President*
- Connie Church** — *Secretary*
- Traci Grabb** — *Treasurer*
- David Scott Allen** — *Social & Membership*
- Donn Poll** — *Landscape & Architecture*
- Jean Paine** — *Pools*

Please contact the board via email:
CatalinaPuebloBoard@gmail.com

The agenda will be published each month in the Chronicle. Only items on the agenda will receive board action unless there is an emergency. By publishing the agenda in advance, we seek member comment on pending issues. Comment can be sent to our board email address, in writing to the secretary or you may choose to appear at the meeting, space available. To request items to be placed on the agenda, use the same addresses.

Board Meeting Agenda December 17 — 6:00 p.m.

- Call to Order
- Approval of October minutes
- Discuss & Approval of officer/committee reports
 - Vice President
 - Treasurer
 - Pools
 - Social/Membership
 - Landscape/Architecture
 - Secretary
- Old Business
- New Business and call to members
 - Consideration of draft rule for allocation of any future available rental properties
 - By-law Review - Board size
- Adjournment

The Board may at any time go into executive session to consider legal or other permitted matters.

Board Meeting Schedule
6:00

- December 17 @ Donn's
- January 8 - Annual Mtg
- February 18 @ Jean's
- March 25 @ Allan's
- April 22 @ David's

Committees:

Lease Enforcement Committee:
Carol Sinclair

Roads: Donn Poll, Chair
Gene Gieseler
Sandy Thompson
Nan Milburn
Mark Sammons

Landscape/Architecture:
Donn Poll, Chair
Mark Sammons

Javelina Express:
Mardi Greason
Cherry Rosenberg
Marianne Van Zyll
Cassandra Wry Ridlinghafer

Light Bulbs:
Aldine von Isser & Hal Grieve

Pools: Jean Paine, Chair
Sherri Henderson
Marti Greason
Hal Grieve
Terry Temple
Jeff Mott

Directory:
Jo Ann Marcus, Updates/Proofing
David Scott Allen, Cover & Photos
Connie Church, Layout & Design

Newsletter:
PuebloRecipes:
David Scott Allen
Spotlight on a Neighbor:
Patricia Weigand
Connie Church
Garden Gallimaufry:
Mark Sammons
Editor: Connie Church

Web site: www.catalinapueblo.com
Connie Church

Communication Committee:
Connie Church, Secretary/Chair
Cherry Rosenberg
Jo Ann Marcus
Mark Sammons
David Scott Allen

DATE: _____

Hon. Ally Miller
Supervisor Pima County, District 1
130 West Congress St
Tucson, AZ 85701

RE: Road condition, Avenida de Posada

I am a homeowner in Catalina Pueblo, a beautiful, well-maintained townhome community just southeast of Campbell Avenue and Skyline Drive, within Supervisorial District Number 1 in Pima County, Arizona.

The internal and private roads within our community have been completely repaired and resurfaced at our expense during 2012.

For several years, I have watched the condition of Avenida de Posada, a relatively short bit of divided road, deteriorate and have periodic and minimal pothole filling. The current state of the road is miserable and, frankly, consists now of more areas of repair than actual road surface. It is crumbling. There are constantly loose pieces of asphalt on the road surface and continuously developing new potholes. This road is unsafe for pedestrians (who frequently use it, many people daily), vehicles which suffer damage from the road surface condition, and the many bicyclists. It is only a matter of time before serious damages and/or personal injuries occur on this short stretch of road.

Many of our neighborhood's members have contacted your predecessor on this issue and some minimal patching has been done but such superficial patching has no lasting value.

It is time for this road to be promptly evaluated for grinding and repaving or complete repaving. Continuing to make band-aid repairs will ultimately be more costly for the County than one-time appropriate restoration of the road.

I know there are many demands for the limited County funds but believe the high use of this road, its age, its condition and the strong potential for damage and injury should make this relatively small project a priority.

I welcome you to your new position and hope you can assist our neighborhood with this problem.

Thank you. SIGNATURE: _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____
