Catalina Pueblo Chronicle

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State of the Pueblo

Jean Paine, President

With the holidays upon us it is time to add our Catalina Pueblo party to your calendar. Our new neighbors, John & Jude Trang, have graciously agreed to host the party this year. Please plan on joining the festivities.

Due to some parking issues this past summer at the three pools, your HOA Board has developed a Special Permit Parking policy. The pool parking lots are for people using the pools or short term visitors. However, there are occasions, for example, construction or overnight visitors, when home owners may need additional parking. Soon the Special Parking Permit form will be posted on our website, www. catalinapuebloassociation.com or it can be picked up at Adelita pool in the minutes notebook. Return the completed application to our official mailbox in front of the pool, 6251 Adelita. An official permit will be issued and should be hung from the rearview mirror of the parked vehicle.

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Note the information on our up coming Annual Meeting. The meeting packets about Board candidates, annual dues, 2014 budget and meeting agenda will be sent to everyone about two weeks before the meeting.

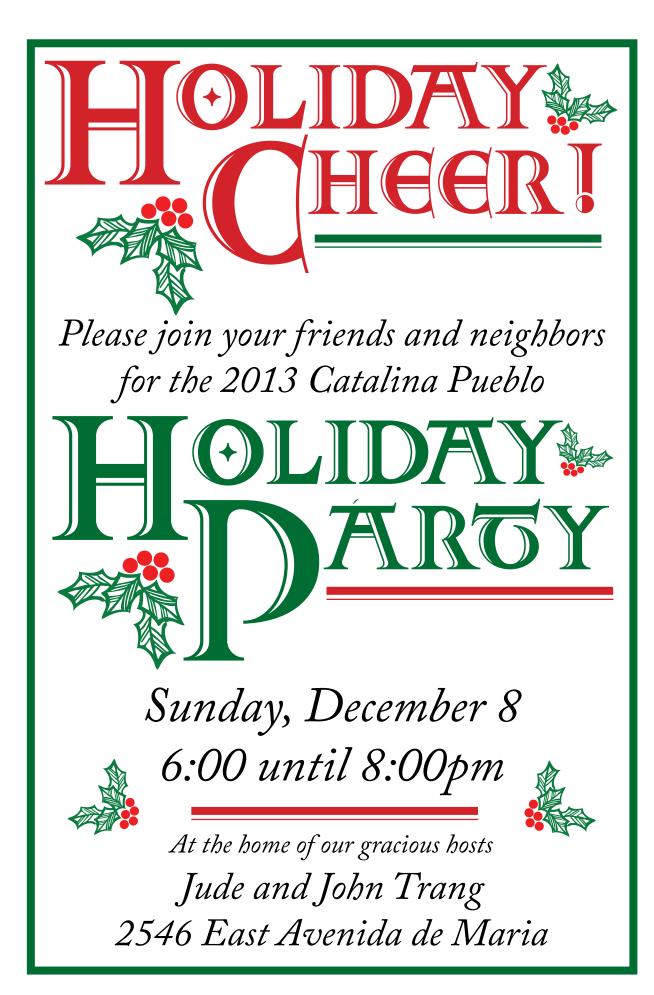
Have a safe and joyful holiday season.

2014 Annual Meeting

Thursday January 23

Meeting: 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm Registration: 6:15

Catalina Foothills High School Seminar Room House 1 4300 E. Sunrise



Garden Gallimaufry Mark Sammons

Mark J. Sammons cookfarm@comcast.net 615-6019 Heaps of plump pomegranates at the farmers market stir thoughts of their bright red seed capsules on seasonal cuisine, and visions of holiday table decorations. The pomegranate tree Punica granatum L., is a appropriate tree for our small Catalina Pueblo spaces, well suited to our desert climate, and has special appeal to natives of the Frozen North who miss the sharp differentiation of the seasons.

The pomegranate is a four-season tree. Spring brings ruddy leaf buds, tender green folliage and orange flowers, followed in summer by lush greenery that shelters the growing fruit. In autumn the foliage turns golden, and in winter sheds to reveal any unplucked fruit. The tree's bare gray branches make a transparent frame for holiday twinkle lights.



Autumn is the best season for planting deciduous trees. Plant outside a south or west window to admit winter sun and exclude summer sun.

Pomegranate seeds are surrounded by a membrane filled with a sweet ruby fluid for which it is prized. Light chewing pops the membrane and releases the sweet juice. There is no harm in swallowing the tiny tender seeds. The juice, boiled to syrup and sometimes sweetened, yields bartender's grenadine – which takes its name from grenada, the Spanish world for pomegranate. Most modern grenadine is merely colored sugar water.

The tree is native to an area south of the Caspian Sea, where the climate is similar to ours; arid with blistering summers and chilly winter nights. Pomegranates were likely among the first trees brought into cultivation when orchards followed the invention of farming.

Pomegranate trees grow best in gritty welldrained soil. They require some irrigation, but take considerably less water than other fruit trees. If fruit splits on the tree before ripening, it is usually a sign of too much or irregular watering.

The multi-trunked and somewhat brushy tree grows only eight to fifteen feet high. If ignored, the tree will live about thirty years. With feeding and culling of old trunks to make way for new ones, its fruitful life can be prolonged to centuries. Feed your pomegranate tree on the same schedule as citrus.

There are several varieties available at local nurseries. Ruddy fruit with ruby seed capsules is most familiar. "White" pomegranates acquire only a blush of external color at ripeness, and the seed capsules are pale pink.

The pomegranate has a long symbolic role in religion. From the myth of Pluto and Persephone, we know of its classical association with the origin of the seasons. Its abundant seeds made it a fertility symbol. In the Greco-Roman world, it was sacred to the fertility goddess Hera/Juno.

In Buddhism, the pomegranate is one of the three blessed fruits. Its appearance in Buddhist art represents favorable influences.



The pomegranate recurs throughout the Jewish scriptures in textiles, architecture, as poetic simile, and in modern Judaism at the Rosh Hashanah meal as a symbol of the many commandments of the Torah. It sometimes appears in the form of finials of Torah covers, and on mezuzahs.



In Christian iconography the pomegranate is a symbol of eternal life and resurrection. Botticelli's painting, Madonna of the Pomegranate, links both birth and rebirth. It can be identified in church textiles, ironwork and stained glass, even in brass, as on the altar rail of Santa Cecelia in Trastevere, Rome.

Islam identifies the pomegranates as a tree in the garden of paradise, and thrice mentions it as an example of the good things God has created. Islamic folklore charmingly elaborates, in holding that one seed in each fruit is descended directly from paradise. The recurrence in Turkestani carpets alludes to these paradisical connotations.





The fruit's fertility association was no doubt understood by Shakespeare and deliberately referenced in the morning aprés-sex scene in Romeo and Juliet, where it is paired with the nightingale, symbol of lament and tragedy.

Wilt thou be gone? It is not yet near day: It was the nightingale, and not the lark, That pierced the fearful hollow of thine ear; Nightly she sings on yon pomegranate-tree: Believe me, love, it was the nightingale.

Less poetically, during the 1500s the handthrown bomb received the name "grenade" from the old French for pomegranate, because the bomb's fatal litter was suggestive – to someone – of the many seeds in a pomegranate.



By the 1520s, pomegranates were introduced to the New World by the Spanish, and were disseminated by their missionaries throughout their empire, wherever the climate was suitable. By the late 1600s, missionaries grew pomegranates in their bottomland orchards at San Gabriel de Guevavi, San Cayetano de Tumacacori, and our own San Francisco Xavier del Bac. So you can plant it with confidence in its long history in Tucson.

LEARN MORE ABOUT PLANTS SUITABLE FOR YOUR PUEBLO GARDEN ONLINE AT: <u>http://www.</u> catalinapueblo.com/id23. <u>html</u>

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.

> Photos by Mark J. Sammons

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Candy Cane Cookies

These are fun cookies to make with your children or grandchildren. They don't always have to be for Christmas! Make them green and white for Saint Patrick's Day, or blue and white for Hanukkah!

% cup butter 1% cups sugar 2 eggs 1% teaspoons vanilla 1 tablespoon milk 3 cups flour 1 teaspoon baking powder % teaspoon salt red food coloring, paste variety if you have it – it gives better color

Cream butter and sugar. Add eggs and stir in vanilla and milk. Sift together dry ingredients and add to butter mixture until well blended. Divide dough in half. Add food coloring to one half until red or deep pink. Chill dough for 30 minutes. Make thin white and red "logs". Place side by side on cookie sheet and twist to form canes. Bake at 375 for 8-10 minutes – don't let them get brown or they will get brittle.

Whenever you have a simple butter or sugar cookie like these, you can change the flavors by substituting different extracts for the vanilla - anise, almond, mint, orange, almond and lemon are some of my favorites. You can also easily turn them into chocolate cookies but reducing the flour and adding cocoa powder.

Tried & True Trades

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

Boyds 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

Custom Concrete Work

Cherry Enterprises - David Cherry 343-0068 Recommended by Jeff & Judy Mott

Computer Repair

Desert Sky Technology - 797-7479 Recommended by Jeff & Judy Mott

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 Clounch - 520-390-0471 Recommended by Jeff & Judy Mott Frank Tentschert 577-4987 & 907-5990 Recommended by Jo Ann Marcus

Exterminators

Northwest Exterminating 888-4308 Recommended by Sherry Henderson

Furniture Craftsmen,

Antique Restoration and more

John 888-9234 furniturecraftsmen@yahoo.com Recommended by Marianne Van Zyll

Handiman

Robert Cross 390-2623

Recommended by Marianne Van Zyll Shawn Henderson 745-2169

Recommended by Nan Milburn Craig Spittle 204-4149

Recommended by Joe & Sandra Thompson **Cary McKeever** 241-0810 Recommended by Lew & Caryl Daugherty

Heating & Cooling

Hamstra Heating & Cooling - Wes Adams 629-9833 ext. 317 Recommended by Nancy Milburn

Garage Door - Repair

Anthony Labato - C&R Garage Doors 312-9325

Recommended by Jeff Mott

House Cleaning Services

Levinia 406-5630 & Pamela 282-9096 Recommended by Jo Ann Marcus & Connie Church Alexandra Nicol 400-6058 Recommended by Carol Sinclair & Jean Paine 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

Landscaping/Gardeners

Beautiful Spaces Jude DiMeglio Trang 360-4282 Recommended by Nancy Milburn 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

Plumber

David Solis 990-5437 dependableplumbingservices@gmail.com Recommended by Cherry Rosenberg

Jerry Walker, Walkers Plumbing 888-7337 Recommended by Russ Carden Steve Konst 883-1635 Recommended by Aldine von Isser & Hal Grieve

Remodels & General Construction

Ted Vasquez241-9799Recommended by Bill & Cassandra RidlinghaferCraig Spittle204-4149Recommended by Joe & Sandra ThompsonRon Landis743-4892rlandis55@yahoo.comRecommended by Nancy Milburn & Ellen Siever

Roofing

Alan Bradley Roofing - 885-3571 Recommended by Jo Ann Marcus

Window Cleaning

Doug & Deb Lockett 584-8419 Recommended by Caryl Daugherty

Treasurer Report Donn Poll - Acting Treasurer

Catalina Pueblo Association Statements of Cash Flows an dbudget January - October 2013

Balance 10/31/2013

	YTD Actual		2013 Annual Budget		Budget YTD Remaining	
Income:						
Association Dues	\$	53,800.00	\$	54,000.00	\$	200.00
Interest Income		8.25		5.00	\$	(3.25)
Event Income		860.00			\$	(860.00)
Title Transfer Fees		2,400.00		400.00	\$	(2,000.00)
TOTAL INCOME	\$	57,068.25	\$	54,405.00	\$	(2,663.25)
Expenses:						
Administrative:						
Postage/Printing/Misc	\$	795.54	\$	1,285.00	\$	489.46
Taxes & Fess		-		100.00		100.00
Insurance		-		2,000.00		2,000.00
Subtotal	\$	795.54	\$	3,385.00	\$	2,589.46
Reserve Fund:	\$	1,000.00	\$	1,000.00	\$	-
Neighborhood Infrastructure:						
Landscaping	\$	5,511.04	\$	6,600.00	\$	1,088.96
Contingencies	Ŧ	_	Ŧ	3,300.00	Ŧ	3,300.00
Roads & Drainage		_		1,500.00		1,500.00
Security & Lightbulbs		1,337.24		1,200.00		(137.24)
Subtotal	\$	6,848.28	\$	12,600.00	\$	5,751.72
Neighborhood Social Activites:	\$	1,684.49	\$	2,000.00	\$	315.51
Recreational - Pools:						
Routine Services/Chemicals	Ś	6,839.09	\$	6,000.00	\$	(839.09)
Pool Repairs	Ŷ	3,122.26	Ŷ	7,660.00	Ŷ	4,537.74
Southwest Gas		6,129.61		9,000.00		2,870.39
Tucson Electric Company		7,052.18		7,500.00		447.82
City of Tucson Water		1,788.38		2,300.00		511.62
Housekeeping						
Other (permits/termites/furniture)		1,490.00 1,167.88		1,960.00 1,000.00		470.00 (167.88)
Other (permits/termites/turniture)		1,107.88		1,000.00		(107.88)
Subtotal	\$	27,589.40	\$	35,420.00	\$	7,830.60
TOTAL EXPENSES	Ş	37,917.71	\$	54,405.00		
REMAINING BUDGET					\$	16,487.29
Net Cash Flow		19,150.54				
Interest Income on Reserve		(8.25)				
Budgeted Reserve Transfer		1,000.00				
Net Cash Flow from Operations	_	20,142.29				
2013 Checking and Reserve Funds				_		
		Checking		Reserve		Total
Balance 1/1/2013		6,299.83		14,682.96		20,982.79
2012 Carryover added to Reserve		(4,687.83)		4,687.83		-
Add to Reserve from 2013 Budget		(1,000.00)		1,000.00		-
Total net Cash Flow		20,142.29		8.25		20,150.54

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2013 Board of Directors

Jean Paine — President Carol Sinclair — Vice President Connie Church — Secretary Donn Poll — Acting Treasurer David Scott Allen — Social & Membership Pat Wagner — Landscape & Architecture Hal Grieve — Pools

Please contact the board via email: <u>CatalinaPuebloBoard@gmail.com</u>

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Board Meeting Agenda December 17, 2013

Call to Order

Approval of November minutes

Board of Directors Reports

Nominating Committee Report

Parking Policy

Old Business

Adjournment

Board Meeting Schedule 5:30 p.m. December 17 Connie Church's house

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

Committees:

Lease Enforcement Committee: Carol Sinclair

Landscape/Architecture: Pat Wagner, Chair JoAnn Marcus Mark Sammons

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

Light Bulbs:

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

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

Web site: <u>www.catalinapueblo.com</u> Connie Church

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

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