Catalina Pueblo Chronicle

February 2014



State of the Pueblo

Jean Paine, President

2013 was an excellent year in Catalina Pueblo. We did not have any major problems or expenses. Consequently, we were able to move quite a bit of unused funds, \$9,311.64, into our reserve fund.

In 2014 we will be addressing two issues; developing a 5-year plan that will include determining our assets and future expenses such as re-doing the pools and resurfacing the roads, and how large should our reserve be to handle these future expenses. A committee composed of Board members and home owners will be created to begin this process.

In addition, another committee will develop a survey for homeowners to respond to on how one can become eligible to rent their property. We had several good responses to the questionnaire sent out to you this fall. Those responses will be used to develop a more comprehensive survey. The results will guide the Pueblo's policy when a rental slot becomes available.

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Pack Rat Midden





Landscape & Architecture Pat Wagner

SPRING CLEANUP FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD

Sprucing up Catalina Pueblo has become an annual spring event. It starts with HOA Board members and other volunteers walking through all our streets, paths, and washes to note conditions that need to be remedied. Then property owners are notified. Last year's focus on Mailboxes and Mistletoe resulted in 21 greying mailboxes being repainted and 20 infested trees being pruned of the parasite.

The 2014 inspection walks will take place this month with an expanded focus: Mailboxes and Mistletoe again, but also MIDDENS (packrat nests.) To learn why packrats and their nests are a menace and what can be done about them, please see Mark Sammons' informative article on page 5. Board members want to identify the locations of the middens our neighborhood is harboring so that lot owners can have them removed. From all accounts the Catalina Pueblo packrat population is booming, so we're going on the attack.

We'll also be looking for desert broom, dead wood, and plant debris that could be a fire hazard. And we want to identify the few remaining grey mailboxes and also look at the condition of lamp posts and other iron work.

If you receive an email or letter telling you your property needs attention, please act promptly to remedy the problem. Cooperation on the part of individual property owners will benefit the whole community. Thank you. Here's to a spruced up neighborhood with far fewer packrats!

SPRING LUNCH



You are cordially invited to join your Catalina Pueblo neighbors at

Pastiche – 3025 N Campbell Avenue for lunch, conversation and a goodbye to winter!

Saturday, March 22, 2014 · 12:00noon

Menu Choices:

- Bourbon Salmon apple-brown sugar bourbon glaze basmati rice, chef's vegetables; bistro portion
- ☐ Mac & Cheese smoked gouda, parmesan, and Monterey jack cheeses, mesquite smoked bacon, spinach, fat macaroni
- ☐ Steak Frites seared steak, salad, blue cheese crumbles, Roma tomatoes, mustard vinaigrette, julienned pommes frites

Pastiche's Dessert Platter - a delicious assortment of desserts

\$21 PER PERSON

RSVP by **March 18** with names, number of people, menu choices, and check payable to "**Catalina Pueblo Association**" to:

David Scott Allen, 2588 E Cerrada Caballo, Tucson, Arizona 85718

CPA Annual Events

Spring Lunch Saturday, March 22 Pastiche 3025 North Campbell

> Cinco de Mayo Saturday, May 3 Adelita Pool

Halloween Saturday, October 25 Adelita Pool

Holiday Party Saturday, December 6 Home of Nancy Meister and Jay Book

In Memoriam

Jane Bell Schulte 1919-2014

A life well lived. A person well loved by all and who loved all she ever met. Jane Schulte departed her earthly confines to soar in heaven with her Lord and the angels, her husband of 32 years Bill Schulte (1925-1982), her twin sister Peggy Watson and her parents Irma and Gen Marcus B Bell. She is desperately missed by all of her 6 children, Karen (Russell) Kirk, Martha (Magdi) Nafeh, Wim (Kathy), David (Gigi), Robert (Shanaz) and her youngest, Bruce. Her 9 grandchildren had the good fortune to have known her and been loved by her well into their own years (ages 10 - 32). They are Erin and Colleen Gendron, Sharif Nafeh, Sean, Kevin and Patrick Schulte, Jessica and Caroline Schulte and Stephen Schulte. The family who is travelling to mourn and honor her and the friends and neighbors who are in daily communication attest to her remarkable stamp on the world.

Jane was an army brat who graduated from Columbus High school in Columbus GA, attended Wesleyan College in Mason, Georgia and then on to the University of Missouri. She worked at the War Department in Washington DC at the time of Pearl Harbor staying there until 1944. In 1944 she was accepted into the WASPS (Woman's Air Force Service Pilots) in Wichita KS but when the program folded she went overseas with the Red Cross to Karachi.

Agra and finally Tientsin, China. In 1947 she had reunited with her father and twin sister in Seoul and then in Shanghai. She was evacuated by navy destroyer to Hong Kong as the communists moved into Shanghai. She met her husband Bill Schulte in Hong Kong and was married in 1950. His career as an oil engineer and executive saw them and their growing family to Manila, Bangkok and then Europe; the Hague Holland, Stockholm Sweden, London England and Hamburg Germany.

Jane moved to Tucson in 1975 and immediately became involved in the community as a Deacon, Usher and Shepherd in her Church, Christ Presbyterian. She volunteered at the West which focuses on Women's and Children's causes. She was on the Board of the Women's Auxiliary of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Tucson.

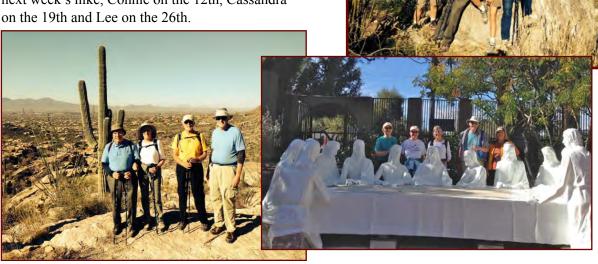
In lieu of flowers Jane named the following beneficiaries for remembrances in her name; Boys and Girls Club, Tucson, Salvation Army, Tucson, American Red Cross, Tucson, Christ Presbyterian Church, Tucson.

Services will be at 3 PM at Eastlawn for her Witness of Placement and the Memorial at the Eastlawn chapel at 3:30 PM Friday February 7th.

Pueblo Plodders

In February, the Plodders will meet at the Adelita Pool at 9:30 every Wednesday. Jean will lead next week's hike, Connie on the 12th, Cassandra on the 19th and Lee on the 26th





Garden GallimaufryMark Sammons

Mark J. Sammons cookfarm@comcast.net 615-6019

February Tasks:

Clean out rat nests

Cover tender plants

when there is frost

Don't remove frost

damaged foliage till

Fertilize citrus, fruit

trees, roses, iris on

Plant spring-blooming bulbs and garden

Continue harvesting

Valentine's Day

March

annuals

citrus

Hippeastrum, the horse star, is not in the night sky, but on your windowsill. It's that amaryllis that came with the holidays. After their massive lily-shaped blossoms are spent, and strap-like leaves begin to rise, don't put them out with the Tuesday trash; bring them back into bloom next year.

To do this, they must store up energy for the coming year. Keep them in the full winter sun (indoors), constantly but lightly moist, and feed them monthly starting as soon as the flower shoot begins to rise from the bulb. When nights are consistently in the 60s, place them outdoors where they will get only morning sun. Their leaves burn easily, so when the weather gets hot, move the pot to very bright shade. Continue the monthly feeding.

In autumn, as temperatures cool and days shorten, the leaves will begin to yellow, indicating that it is time for a rest. Stop feeding and watering, and let the leaves die off. Cut the yellowed leaves off just above the bulb and set it aside in a dark shed for at least a month of rest.

To bring it back to life without disturbing the roots, remove the top inch of soil by washing it away, mix a teaspoon of bone meal into fresh soil, and top off the pot (the top half of the bulb should remain above the soil line). Water it, keep it slightly moist, and put it in a sunny window. When the flower bud begins to rise, resume keeping it moist, and monthly feeding.

After a number of years, your bulb may be big enough to need repotting. Do this at the end of the rest period, when you are ready to bring it back into winter growth. Amaryllis like to be snug, so use a pot that is only a couple inches wider than the bulb, so there is only an inch of space around the bulb. If you find baby offset bulbs, you can pot them separately, and treat them the same, but they may take a few years to reach blooming size. Amaryllis like good drainage, so put a quarter inch of pebbles in the bottom of the pot, and use palm-and-cactus soil. Hold the bulb in your hand as you pour soil in around it, so the dry and fragile roots at the bottom won't break. Gently firm the soil in under the roots. Treat as above.



Amaryllis have minds of their own. They come out of dormancy and sprout when they feel like it; in a few days, or many weeks after you resume watering. Be patient.

In Sonora, they are sometimes grown right in the ground where they get summer shade or protection from a deciduous tree. I tried this once here in Tucson and the bulb survived light frost, dormancy, and bloomed in the spring.

Prune deciduous trees if necessary

Plant hardy trees and shrubs

Photos by Mark J. Sammons Klander Brigade



Oh Rats!

Mark Sammons,

Landscape & Architecture Committee

Oh Rats! It's time to go after packrat nests on your property.

Rat Nests: Pack rats nest in semisheltered places, such as under the lower branches of shrubs and cacti. "Trimming up" is a good start to denying them good places to nest. Get rid of inviting habitats by cutting away lower fronds, leaves and branches of shrubs, trees, yuccas, and – especially – prickly pear cacti.

Clean garden litter out from under shrubs regularly. A child's toy rake is slim and can reach into those tight spaces. If material from a faraway plant appears, it's the beginning of a nest; pull it out immediately and repeatedly.

Those wild places outside our walls need serious and regular attention. If you can't maintain those frequently, do it at least annually, or hire a general cleanup. Winter is a good time to tackle it.

Rat Traps: Get rid of the rats as well as their nests, or they'll just keep rebuilding. Traps are effective, but can be dangerous to handle. There are some new trap designs that don't risk chopping off your fingers. The black plastic "Tom Cat" model is easy to use, effective, much safer for your fingers, and is available at local hardware stores.

For the soft-hearted, there are live traps, but then you are stuck with a live rat in a cage; what are you going to do with it? Don't release it in or near the neighborhood, or anyone else's.

Rat Poison: Mouse poison works as well on rats... and any other animals that gets into it. Once poison is in the ecosystem, it is permanent.

If a poisoned rat is eaten by its natural predators, it will kill the predator too. If hawks, owls, and coyotes are poisoned, the rat population will increase. A poisoned rat sent to the dump takes the poison with it.



Safety: Whether you use traps or poison, wear gloves. Because rats are nocturnal, set it out at dusk, and put it away in the morning. This will keep diurnal pets, birds, lizards and other welcome critters away from it. A range of nocturnal animals will still be vulnerable.

Why bother?

Blood-sucking insects — Kissing bugs, fleas, ticks, lice – live on rats and in their nests, and feed on the nesting animal's blood. If they roam your garden or get in the house, they can transmit diseases to you. The list is long and nasty. Need any other reasons to get rid of pack rats and their nests?

Packrats use their viscous urine to mark the territory around their nests, and to cement the nest together. The nests smell awful, especially during dismantling, where you may also find dead and decaying rats, or live snakes. Rodents urine and feces can spread diseases that can infect humans; another long and vile list.

Rats gnaw to sharpen their teeth. They slash down your garden plants and gnaw on even the toughest succulents; have you ever noticed the uneven edges on the lower leaves of agave? Rats will cut through irrigation tubes, garden lighting cables, and wiring, including your car engine wires. Your car – and your neighbor's – is especially vulnerable if it is not driven for a couple of weeks while you are away on vacation.

Rat nests: When dismantling a rats nest, have a stout trash bag at hand, and wear a face mask, long clothes, and gloves that are washable or that you are willing to discard immediately afterwards. You don't want your clothes to shed bugs or rodent feces through your garden and house, so strip outdoors and toss the clothes right in a hot laundry, take a shower and wash your hair thoroughly. The vile task is guaranteed to make you feel like an unclean leper. Stripping outdoors might give the neighbors a much-needed laugh.

The upside? Archaeologists find some interest in abandoned pack rat nests, or middens. In a sheltered place in the arid southwest, a rat's nest can last up to 50,000 years. In them, botanists find interesting clues to our changing environment, evidence of plants that no longer live here, or that have arrived in recent millennia or centuries. If you can't guarantee several thousand years preservation for future archaeologists, just hold your nose and get it done... this winter, please!



recipes collected and edited by david scott allen • January 2014



Lemon Tart

Here is a great way to use a few of those lemons on your tree!

2 large eggs, cold

2 large egg yolks, cold

3/4 cup sugar

1/2 cup fresh lemon juice

6 tablespoons (3 ounces) cold unsalted butter, cut into 6 pieces

1 fully pre-baked 9-inch tart shell

Whisk the eggs, yolks, and sugar for about 1 minute, in a large metal bowl. Set the bowl over the pot of simmering water and, using a large whisk, whip the mixture while you turn the bowl (for even heating). After about 2 minutes, when the eggs will be foamy and have thickened, add one-third of the lemon juice. Continue to whisk vigorously and, when the mixture thickens again, add another one-third of the lemon juice. Whisk until the mixture thickens again, then add the remaining lemon juice. Continue whisking vigorously, still turning the bowl, until the mixture is thickened and light in color and the whisk leaves a trail in the bottom of the bowl. The total cooking time should be 8 to 10 minutes.

Turn off the heat and leave the bowl over the water. Whisk in the butter a piece at a time. The filling may loosen slightly, but it will thicken and set as it cools. Pour the warm filling into the tart crust and place the pan on a baking sheet.

Preheat the broiler. While the filling is still warm, place the tart under the broiler. Leaving the door open, brown the top of the filling, rotating the tart if necessary for even color; this will take only a few seconds, so do not leave the oven. Remove the tart from the broiler and let it sit for at least 1 hour before serving. Serve at room temperature or cold. Makes 8 servings.

Serve this lemon tart with lavender-whipped cream. Beat 1/2 cup cream with 1 teaspoon lavender syrup and 2 tablespoons confectioners sugar until stiff. Serve each slice of tart with a dollop of this herbal cream.

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

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

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

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

Massage Therapy

Ginger Castle - 520-977-9938

Recommended by Gisele Nelson

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 Vasquez 241-9799

Recommended by Bill & Cassandra Ridlinghafer

Ron Landis 743-4892 rlandis55@yahoo.com Recommended 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

Bill Strang, Treasurer

Catalina Pueblo Association Statements of Cash Flows and Budget January - December 2013

2012 Carryover added to Reserve

Add to Reserve from 2013 Budget

Total net Cash Flow

Balance 12/31/2013

	YTD Actual	2013 Annual Budget		Budget YTD Remaining	
Income:			· ·		J
Association Dues	\$ 53,800.00	\$	54,000.00	\$	200.0
Interest Income	9.96		5.00	\$	(4.9
Title Transfer Fees	2,400.00		400.00	\$	(2,000.0
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 56,209.96	\$	54,405.00	\$	(1,804.9
Expenses:					
Administrative:					
Postage/Printing/Misc	\$ 1,683.61	\$	1,285.00	\$	(398.6
Taxes & Fees	-		100.00		100.0
Insurance	1,914.00		2,000.00		86.0
Subtotal	\$ 3,597.61	\$	3,385.00	\$	(212.6
Reserve Fund:	\$ 1,000.00	\$	1,000.00	\$	-
Neighborhood Infrastructure:					
Landscaping	\$ 7,161.04	\$	6,600.00	\$	(561.0
Contingencies	-		3,300.00		3,300.0
Roads & Drainage	68.01		1,500.00		1,431.9
Security & Lightbulbs	1,337.24		1,200.00		(137.2
Subtotal	\$ 8,566.29	\$	12,600.00	\$	4,033.7
Neighborhood Social Activites:	\$ 2,408.45	\$	2,000.00	\$	(408.4
Less social expense reimbursement	\$ (860.00)	\$	-	\$	860.0
Subtotal	\$ 1,548.45	\$	2,000.00	\$	451.5
Recreational - Pools:					
Routine Services/Chemicals	\$ 7,973.07	\$	6,000.00	\$	(1,973.0
Pool Repairs	3,364.79		7,660.00		4,295.2
Southwest Gas	7,478.99		9,000.00		1,521.0
Tucson Electric Company	8,713.26		7,500.00		(1,213.2
City of Tucson Water	2,123.82		2,300.00		176.1
Housekeeping	1,760.00		1,960.00		200.0
Other (permits/termites/furniture)	1,772.04		1,000.00		(772.0
Subtotal	\$ 33,185.97	\$	35,420.00	\$	2,234.0
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 47,898.32	\$	54,405.00		
REMAINING BUDGET				\$	6,506.6
Net Cash Flow	8,311.64				
Interest Income on Reserve	(9.96)				
Budgeted Reserve Transfer	1,000.00				
Net Cash Flow from Operations	9,301.68				
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2014 Board of Directors

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Carol Sinclair — Vice President

Connie Church — Secretary

Bill Strang — Treasurer

Dan Peters — Social & Membership

Pat Wagner — Landscape & Architecture

Hal Grieve — *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 February 10, 2014 5:30 @ Connie's

Call to Order

Approval of January minutes

Committee & Officer's Reports

New Business

5-Year Plan

Rental Committee

Upcoming Board Meetings 5:30

Adjournment

March 10 @Jean's

> April 14 @ Bill's

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

Committees:

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Carol Sinclair

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