Catalina Pueblo Chronicle

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State of the Pueblo

Jean Paine, President

This is our last newsletter until the October issue. I hope you enjoy our great newsletter and appreciate the hard work our contributors and graphic artists puts into making it so fun and informative.

The Pueblo is continuing to be a very popular location. We have seen four houses sold this year. Please welcome the new members of our community. Connie and I have had the pleasure of meeting four of the new owners, and we look forward to meeting the owners of the other two properties.

Our annual Cinco de Mayo party is this coming Saturday, May 5. Thank you to the committee: Joe Thompson, Marianne Van Zyll and Jan Lerch. Page 2 of this newsletter contains more information. If you can help with either set up (Saturday at 3:00) or clean-up (immediately following the party) it would be greatly appreciated.

Have a great summer.

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Welcome New Neighbors

LouAnn Gerken & Eric Larson 2586 E. Avenida de Maria

Ben & Mary Porter 2725 E. Avenida de Posada

Samantha Danielle Varela & Michael Joseph 2621 Avenida de Posada

Fred Stubenrauch 6207 N. Calle Minera (In Escrow)



Dear fellow neighbors in Catalina Pueblo.

As we plan to celebrate Cinco de Mayo at the annual pool party, I would like to invite you to visit the unveiling of Reptilia. This will occur during and after the pool party in my yard at 2596 E. Avenida de Maria. Wine, cheese, tequila and any explanation for Reptilia will be provided.

Everyone is invited this time, and anytime thereafter, to appreciate, enjoy, and reflect. I hope to see you there.

Thank you, Joe Sheppard



A Catalina Pueblo garden



Spotlight on a Neighbor - Russ and Glenda Melin Pat Weigand



Let's begin with Glenda: she grew up in the lake country of Sturgis, Michigan (not to be confused with the Harley Davidson Sturgis in South Dakota). Her upbringing in this small town of approximately 11,000 was idyllic. She went to kindergarten and first grade in a one-room schoolhouse. Her Dad was a builder and talented mechanic. They had an ice boat, scooters, a small tractor, and ponies. Her Mom worked at home, keeping the family together and happy.

Glenda worked in retail for over 35 years, starting with a 5-year stint in a book store during high school and college. Later, when their children were small, she began working in the local hardware store, a community hub. It was at this hardware store that Glenda learned that her happiest customers were snowbirds. They were happy when they arrived in Sturgis, and happy when they left the little town, a fact that she would tuck away for future consideration. She enjoyed working here for 31 years.

Glenda attended Western Michigan University, where Russ was pursuing a major in aviation. Russ arrived from the "larger" town of Mishawaka, Indiana. Mishawaka, with a population of 35,000 and named for an Indian Princess, is located not far from South Bend, where the high school teams are called "Cavemen." The logo is fabulous!

At WMU, Russ met a really cute girl in the laundry room. They struck up relationship that was put on hold when, in his junior year, Russ and a buddy gave in to wanderlust, went west, and worked at the Snowbird Ski Resort outside Salt Lake City. Per the well-known quote, absence indeed made his heart grow fonder, and after a year, he returned to find Glenda, persuaded her to marry him and did not return to school. At first, he worked as and EMT and later for Glenda's Father in the electric motors business for 13 years. After that, Russ was hired by the City of Sturgis to manage the diesel engine generators and the City's hydroelectric plant. Russ was always handy around the house. In fact, he built one from the ground up: a log cabin on 40 wooded acres in the country. When the children got older, he built an extension as well.

Now, married 40 years, they have two children and five grandchildren. Their Daughter and her family still reside in Sturgis, where she is a dental hygienist. Their Son has been in the Air Force since 2000. Early in his career, he and his family were stationed in Tucson. Russ and Glenda made visits to the Old Pueblo to see them and the grandchildren. They loved it and have come back every year since.

Glenda has always been good at decisions regarding real estate. She arranged for them to buy two condos in Tucson about 10 years ago, with the intent to rent them out until their retirement. On their walks and drives in the area over the years, they discovered Catalina Pueblo. After serious consideration, they sold the condos and bought the home Glenda found here in our Pueblo in 2016. They consider themselves fortunate to have met so many wonderful and interesting neighbors.

Per Glenda's plan, hatched many years ago, they became snowbirds, returning to the North yearly, where they reside in a home selected by Glenda on one of the many lakes. Russ is pleased with her selections, both here and on the lake. He sounds very convincing when he says he wouldn't change a thing.







Garden Gallimaufry Mark Sammons

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The building heat will soon limit gardening hours to early morning. But there is still time to plant a few specimens that prefer to be planted in warm soil. These include cacti and palms. Another stellar choice is a Mexican dioon.

Dioons are primitive plants in the Cycad order, enduring on earth since before the dinosaurs. They developed a mechanism for reproducing via seeds even before flowers evolved. A mature plant will produce a seed cluster that looks a bit like a pinecone, rising on a specialized stem from the center of the plant's large rosette of long, arched, pinnate leaves.

There is a popular Southeast Asian form known as sago palm (southerners may know these as pineapple palms), a poor choice for Tucson because they prefer rich soil, are thirsty, and burn yellow in the summer sun.

But if you love the Dioon form, a suitable alternative is one of the Mexican Dioons, especially *Dioon sonorense*. These can flourish in our soil and climate. Their leaf color ranges from medium green to silver, sometimes faintly blue.

Dioon sonorense is the northernmost of Mexico's dioons, native to the Pacific Slope of Sonora, where it grows in oak woods at 3,000–4,000 feet. Although Tucson is lower, our more northerly latitude gives us similar winters and summers. This plant will flourish in the bright shade of our

foothills desert thornscrub, or on the north or east side of a house.

In late spring, a new whorl of leaves emerges vertically and gradually arches outward. Several years worth of new leaves endure, bowing ever outward and downward until they die off and can be clipped, a simple annual or semi-annual task. If planted in the ground, the plants can reach a ten-foot diameter. In a large pot they tend not to exceed four feet in diameter. The leaflette tips are prickly, so plant them away from paths so you needn't disfigure them with asymmetrical pruning.

Plant Mexican dioons in bright shade in a well-drained soil in a well-drained spot where water does not stand. Prepare the hole by digging it as deep as the pot in which it came, and three times wider. Add a very thin layer of mulch or rich soil to the bottom of the hole, and backfill with desert soil.

To keep it looking good, provide some supplemental irrigation at the frequency you would give to other leafy desert plants. In a pot, they will flourish in cactus-palm soil. If potted, water weekly (or less) in winter, twice a week in the dry spring and autumn seasons, and weekly (or less) in monsoon season. If you grow a dioon in a pot, give it weak fertilizer monthly (or less) during the growing season. I have planted mine against a blank wall where its handsome form shows well.

MAY GARDEN CHORES

Finish planting cactus, succulents, palms.

Postpone planting native perennials and shrubs until fall. Protect newly-planted cacti & succulents from sunburn with shade cloth or cheese cloth through their first summer.

Increase watering frequency and/or quantity until monsoons arrive, then modulate downward.

Until monsoons arrive, water prize in-ground cactus and succulents once or twice a month, and potted specimens weekly when temperatures are regularly 90+ degrees; less in monsoons.

Dump potted winter annuals, wash pots with bleach solution, and put away.

Fertilize citrus, fruit trees, roses around Valentines Day, Memorial Day, and Labor Day. Your citrus trees will shed small fruits they can't carry through to ripeness; don't panic, this is natural.

Summer annuals for sun include calibrachoa (million bells), celosia, cosmos, marigolds, nierembergia, petunias, periwinkle, portulaca, sweet potato vines, and verbena.
Summer annuals for bright shade include begonias, caladium, coleus, dahlias, impatiens.

For more ideas and information on plantings for the pueblo, see: http://www.catalinapueblo.com/suggested-plant-list.html



MAY GARDEN CHORES - continued

Summer vegetables include tomatoes, peppers, watermelon, eggplant, and squash.

Basil loves summer. Give it rich moist soil, morning sun, afternoon shade.

Don't worry about leaf-cutter bees carving little semicircles out of leaves; it doesn't hurt the plant, so don't spray.

Spider mites flourish in dry dusty weather. Hose down the plant vigorously, and clean up litter from beneath plants. If mites get really bad, drench the plant in insecticidal spray soap on a still morning.

pueblorecipes

recipes collected and edited by david scott allen • may 2018

While many people - especially in this region - know these cookies as Mexican Wedding Cakes, there are variants worldwide that use different nuts (walnuts, almonds - even hazelnuts), and have names such as Russian Tea Cakes, Italian Wedding Cookies, butterballs, and snowballs. Whatever you call them, they are wonderfully tasty. Try using a combination of nuts for different flavor and texture!



Mexican Wedding Cakes

16 tablespoons unsalted butter, softened ½ cup plus ¾ cup powdered sugar 2 teaspoons vanilla extract 2 cups all purpose flour 4 ounces pecans, finely ground

Using an electric mixer, beat butter in large bowl until light and fluffy. Add ½ cup powdered sugar and vanilla; beat till well blended. add in flour, then mix in ground pecans to form a stiff dough. Divide in half and form each half into disk. Wrap separately in plastic; chill until cold - about 45 minutes.

Preheat oven to 350°F. Working with half of chilled dough, scoop level tablespoonfuls of dough (about ½ ounce for each cookie), then quickly roll them into balls. Arrange balls on heavy large baking sheet lined with parchment paper, spacing ½ inch apart. Repeat with remaining dough. Bake cookies until golden brown on bottom and just pale golden on top, about 18 minutes. Cool cookies 5 minutes on baking sheet.

Put remaining powdered sugar into a wide bowl, then gently toss warm cookies in sugar to coat completely. Transfer coated cookies to rack and cool completely.

Makes 48.

This recipe, and many more, can be found on David's blog, <u>Cocoa & Lavender - cocoaandlavender.blogspot.com</u>. If you have any culinary questions for David, feel free to email him at <u>cocoaandlavender@</u> gmail.com.



Appliance Repair

2 son's Finest Appliances

Recommended by Marianne Van Zyll

Concrete, Masonry, Block, Adobe & **Stucco Repair**

Armando Pacheco - 520-338-3980

Recommended by David Scott Allen & Mark Sammons

Dan Tatum 315-879-0570

Recommended by Caryl Daugherty

Ed Carrillo (Stucco) 520-360-0405

Recommended by John & Ann Berkman

Tony Scott- (Tile & Stone Mason) 520-336-0634

Recommended by Jean Paine and John & Ann Berkman

Construction

Shawn Henderson 520-745-2169

Recommended by Marti Greason & Jean Paine

Electrician

Frank Tentschert 520-577-4987 & 907-5990

Recommended by Connie Church

Mike Powelson 520-591-5446

allaboutelectricservice@gmail.com

Recommended by Deborah Berlin

Facials - Diana ZL Medaesthetics

7051 N. Oracle - Casas Adobes

520-204-1956

Recommended by Jo Ann Marcus

Garage Door Service

Discount Door Service - 520-579-9084

Recommended by Bill & Lee Strang

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Steven Cicco 520-869-2199

Recommended by Marianne Van Zyll

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Recommended by Frank & Pamela Bangs

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White River Construction, LLC

Recommended by Deborah Berlin

Shawn Henderson 520-745-2169

Recommended by Marti Greason & Jean Paine

John Landers 520-609-2530

Recommended by John & Ann Berkman

John Gordon 520-282-1725

Recommended by Marti Greason

House Cleaning Services

Claudia Tapia - 520-257-7528

Recommended by Marian Ries

Fernando Mendez 520-445-1061

Alex's Cleaning Service

Recommended by Jo Ann Marcus

520-270-4875 Angie Stokes

Housekeeping, windows, patio & yard clean up Recommended by Nanci Hartwick

Erika Bradley 520-240-5870

Recommended by Deborah Bowman

HVAC

Family Air Cooling & Heating 520-399-5850

Recommended by Jo Ann Marcus

Temperature Control, Inc. -- Shawn Davis

520-544-KOOL (5665)

Recommended by Marti Greason

Landscaping/Gardeners

Charles Ramsel III 520-250-9988

Landscape Design & Fountains

Recommended by Jean Paine

Francisco Enriquez 520-405-8527

Recommended by Jean Paine and Bill & Lee Strang

Manicure/Pedicure, Gels & Silks

Victoria at Mauricio Fregoso Salon 795-3384 Recommended by Connie Church

Massage Therapists

Intentional Grounding, massage by Colleen cmavender @gmail.com - 520-577-4543

Recommended by Marti Greason

Brandy Rodriguez LMT - 520-256-5671

621 N. 6th Ave., Tucson 85705

Recommended by Jo Ann Marcus

Ginger Castle LMT CKTP - 520-877-0038

Recommended by Marianne Van Zyll

Rooted Therapeutic Massage & Bodywork

Recommended by Sarah Cafiero

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Painting

Luis Ramirez - 520-740-0494

Recommended by Roy Langenberg

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Mobile Groomer - 520-664-5432

Dog Do's by Steph

Recommended by Jo Ann Marcus

Pet & House Care

Gregory Matthews

520-299-1260 cell 520-241-8028

Recommended by Nanci Hartwick, Marti Greason, Kay Stephenson

Plumber

Beyond Plumbing -Mike Moyer 520-409-2549

Recommended by Jo Ann Marcus

Dependable Plumbing Services- David Solis 520-990-5437

Recommended by Jean Paine

Remodel

Charles Ramsel III 520-250-9988

Recommended by Jean Paine

Window Cleaning

Better View Professional Windows & Miniblind Cleaners 520-917-3333

Recommended by David Scott Allen & Mark Sammons

Treasurer Report Doug Airulla, Treasurer

Catalina Pueblo Association Statements of Cash Flows and Budget March 2018

CII 2016		2018 YTD Actual		2018 Annual Budget		Budget YTD Remaining	
Income:							
2018 Association Dues	\$	80,373.29	\$	81,000.00	\$	626.71	
2018 Title Transfer Fees	\$	400.00	\$	1,600.00	\$	1,200.00	
TOTAL INCOME	\$	80,773.29	\$	82,600.00	\$	1,826.71	
Expenses:							
Administrative:							
Postage/Printing	\$	322.73	\$	1,000.00	\$	677.27	
Website			\$	100.00	\$	100.00	
Professiona Services (Bnkg/CPA/Atty)	\$	550.00	\$	2,200.00	\$	1,650.00	
Property Tax/Licenses	\$	63.62	\$	200.00	\$	136.38	
Insurance 2018			\$	2,700.00	\$	2,700.00	
Subtotal	\$	936.35	\$	6,200.00	\$	5,263.65	
Neighborhood Infrastructure:							
Contracted Monthly Landscaping (12x\$650)	\$	1,950.00	\$	7,800.00	\$	5,850.00	
Other Maintenance	\$	871.82	\$	2,000.00	\$	1,128.18	
Landscaping Project & Design			\$	5,000.00	\$	5,000.00	
Roads & Drainage			\$ \$ \$	500.00	\$	500.00	
Security & Lightbulbs			\$	1,250.00	\$	1,250.0	
Subtotal	\$	2,821.82	\$	16,550.00	\$	13,728.1	
Neighborhood Social Activites:	\$	1,346.43	\$	3,000.00	\$	1,653.5	
Recreational - Pools:							
Routine Services/Chemicals	\$	1,692.80	\$	7,000.00	\$	5,307.20	
Pool Repairs/Maintenance	\$	1,492.45	\$	3,000.00	\$	1,507.5	
3 Pools Replacement & Repairs	\$	3,671.67	\$	14,000.00	\$	10,328.3	
Southwest Gas	\$	2,730.66	\$	6,500.00	\$	3,769.3	
Tucson Electric	\$	2,302.10	\$	11,000.00	\$	8,697.9	
City of Tucson Water	\$	403.75	\$	2,000.00	\$	1,596.2	
Contracted Housekeeping Monthly (12x\$175)	\$	525.00	\$	2,100.00	\$	1,575.00	
Other (permits/termites/furniture)	\$	78.49	\$	1,000.00	\$	921.5	
Subtotal	\$	12,896.92	\$	46,600.00	\$	33,703.0	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	18,001.52	\$	72,350.00	\$	54,348.48	
Reserve Transfer	<u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </u>	10,001.32	\$	10,250.00	\$	10,250.00	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND TRANSFER	\$	18,001.52	\$	82,600.00			
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NCOME (not including reserve transfer)	\$	62,771.77					
king and Reserve Funds		Checking		Reserve		Total	
ice 1/1/2018	\$		1) \$	68,485.10 (1) \$	68,485.1	
Net Cash Flow	\$	62,771.77	, , \$	4.62 (•	
	\$						

Beginning bank balances have been reconciled based on accrued expenses, and accrued reserve transfer. \$5,550.95 expenses paid in 2017, cleared bank in 2018.

\$12077.55 Reserve transfer included in beginning balance, completed in Feb2018.

Interest income in the savings account

2018 Board of Directors

Jean Paine — President

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John Trang — Pools

Warren Edminster — Architecture

Bill Ridlinghafer — *Landscape*

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

Board of Directors Meeting April 7, 2018 – @ John's

Call to Order

Approval of april Minutes Committee & Officer's Reports

New Business

Wattis Request

Adjournment

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.

Our website, <u>www.catalinapueblo.com</u>, has all our Catalina Pueblo information including our CC&Rs, complete Rules, past minutes, past newsletters, plant lists, remodel forms, HOA information and more.

Committees:

Cinco de Mayo Party

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Lee Strang

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Posada W.: Russ & Glenda Melin

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Connie Church

Catalina Pueblo Model 206

This is the sixth of ten original floor plans we inherited from Ed Chase. As announced last month, we will include a floor plan in each of the next newsletters. As you are aware, there are no two identical homes in CP as each floor plan was altered to accommodate the natural terrain and original owner's preference.

We hope you'll enjoy identifying your original model number.

