



## State of the Pueblo

Jean Paine, President

It must be spring. My yard has sprouted some yellow, white, and orange wildflowers. I do not know how they got to my yard but I smile when I see them.

On that cheerful note, our neighborhood Tapas event is Friday. Join in the fun at this Garden Party on Friday, March 6. Lovely homes, good food, convivial company, and a special highlight, a gorgeous desert garden.

I wanted to give you a update on our quest to find a good place to put our HOA reserve fund. Our criteria is 1) a better interest rate than we currently have, 2) zero risk and 3) covered by FDIC.

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The Board researched several options, reduced the possible choices to 4, and put them in rank order. Upon contacting our first choice it was discovered their interest rate applies only to individuals and not HOAs or businesses. We are now contacting our next choice and will update you in the April newsletter.

Last week Frank Bangs and I attended a seminar offered by a law firm that specializes in HOAs. We attend 2 or 3 meetings a year and find them to be very valuable. We learn about any changes or potential changes in HOA laws as well as hear what is happening from among the numerous attending community representatives. Let me tell you we are an amazing HOA. Our issues are minimal, we like each other, and shockingly have fun together. Apparently we are unique. In addition we are well informed and cognizant of current HOA and community issues. So Catalina Pueblo, please pat yourselves on the back.

## Landscape Committee Chair

Joey Tanner Barbee

Work has begun at Minera Pool and Common Area.



*You're invited to a Garden Party . . .*  
*The 2020 Tapas Tour*



Photos & Graphic by Bob Garrett & Renoir

**Menus:**

**Steffenson's**

Grilled Salmon Salad

Pasta, Artichoke,  
Shrimp Salad

Roast beef on Crostini  
with Horseradish Sauce

Turkey Breast with  
Cranberry Sauce on  
Mini-Croissants

**Thompson's**

Shrimp & Dill Salad

Potato Salad with  
Mixed Vegetables

Lox & Mini-Bagels  
(cream cheese capers,  
red onion)

Baked Mini-Reuben  
Sandwiches

If you'd like to be on  
the committee, please  
let us know  
[CatalinaPuebloBoard@  
gmail.com](mailto:CatalinaPuebloBoard@gmail.com)

**Sandra Thompson's  
beautiful garden**

**Friday - March 6th  
5:00 - 8:00**

**At the homes of:**

**Mary and Norm Steffenson  
2641 E. Avenida de Maria**

**Sandra & Joe Thompson  
2651 E. Avenida de Maria**



## Architectural Committee Chair Warren Edminster, AIA

**TOLDOS — Spanish for Awning**  
**One of the Architectural features most prevalent in Catalina Pueblo.**

I am not sure that “Toldo” is what a Spanish or Mexican Architect would call this feature but it will have to do until I am corrected. They are the projecting eyebrow feature over lots of windows. The original Developer must have liked them. In the case of our subdivision the structural design is of frame and stucco and when they separate from the wall, water infiltrates and they atrophy. Very flimsy design! It may be said that most will have to be repaired or replaced eventually.

When walking the neighborhood one will observe that there are numerous ways that folks have designed to support these toldos and also to make them appear more substantial. Some ways are to add a bracket of wood or metal. Others have shaped wooden dowels or wrought iron cages or supports, etc. There are only a few basic conditions. Would it be helpful if a set of standard designs were created to match these standard conditions? Please respond with your thoughts to the Architectural committee.



## Garden Gallimaufry

Mark Sammons

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Gopher plant, *Euphorbia rigida*, produces curious chartreuse blooms in early spring. Its homey American-sounding folk name notwithstanding, it is not an American plant at all. Gopher plant is native to the Mediterranean westward through the Middle East into Southwest Asia. With this ancestry, it is well-prepared to endure our frosty winters, drought, and blistering summers.

The tidy plant forms a clump that can reach about two feet in height and breadth, sometimes broader. Whorls of lance-shaped leaves radiate from its slightly curved succulent stems.

Depending on the plant, the leaves may range from yellowish green to mid-green to silvery bluish green.

Around March, the tips of each stem produce a head of blossoms. As with so many euphorbia, the blossom we admire is not a true blossom. On the gopher plant, the “blossom” that catches our eye consists of small heart-shaped chartreuse green bracts, within which are inner bracts of chartreuse yellow, and within these are the tiny complex blossoms of yellow with a speck of red. Each of these bract clusters is small, but at the end of each stem the plant produces a slightly-domed cluster several inches across, for good effect in the desert garden.

Eventually these blossoms turn a papery tan color.

### MARCH GARDEN CHORES continued

Bougainvillea and lantana can be pruned back as far as you want, to keep the size and shape you desire.

Watch for spider mites (a dusty look or fine webbing) on plants: blast with water. If it doesn't work, try insecticidal soap.

The plant is billed as “evergreen,” and in cooler climates the leaves can take on a bronzy tint in fall or winter. Here in the desert, the plant behaves differently. Sometimes the stems live through from year to year. But, as often, after bloom, as summer approaches, all the leaves and stems turn tan and die off. This happens just as new stems emerge from the base.

That behavior requires an annual ten-minute chore of carefully slicing out the browning stems with a paring knife to make way for the new growth. It is a quiet and pleasant task, but wear gloves and don't touch your face, as euphorbia's white sap is an irritant to the skin and eyes. This same characteristic makes the plant unappealing to rodents. The pruned plant will temporarily be shorter, but will look refreshed, and soon grow back to its former height.

Plant it in full or half-day sun, in well-drained soil, either in the ground in native soil, or potted in commercial cactus soil. In the ground it will have more room to spread. Water it on the same regimen as your specimen cacti, or less; if in doubt, keep it on the dry side. Give it half-strength water-soluble feeding once a month during the growing season. It is very cold hardy and need not be covered in frost.



### MARCH GARDEN CHORES

Through mid-March,  
watch for frost.

After mid-month, prune  
away frost-damage.

Summer is tough on  
new plants; get them in  
the ground no later than  
March.

Mulch with leaves, bark  
or gravel, but keep away  
from stems and trunks.  
Prune perennial herbs.

Fertilize roses, iris.  
Start monthly fertilizing  
of potted cacti &  
succulents.

Increase watering if  
warm & windy.

Water new plantings  
slowly and deeply.

Pot or plant hot-weather  
herbs: basil, chive,  
oregano, sage, thyme.

List of plants suited to Pueblo  
gardens, online at:  
[https://catalinapueblo.com/  
plant-list/](https://catalinapueblo.com/plant-list/)

## Pueblo Plodders – Plod On

Pat Weigand

Join us by providing your cell number to our Leader, Gail at [GailReich@icloud.com](mailto:GailReich@icloud.com).



This last month, some of The Plodders tested out the Sabino Canyon Tram (one of 2 trams at The Sabino Canyon Recreational Area). This is a narrated, open air electric tram that runs on the half-hour for a 45-minute, 3.8 mile tour. You can get off at any of the 9 stops and get back on when you personally run out of gas.

The other tram, The Bear Canyon Tram, is a non-narrated 2 mile small bus ride that travels to the trailhead of Seven Falls. Visitors may get off at any of the 3 stops and re-board later. Trams arrive on average every hour.

What a great place to take visitors!

<https://www.fs.usda.gov/recarea/coronado/recarea/?recid=80532>

In addition, Plodders participated in Meet-Me-Wednesdays, Meet-Me-Mondays, Happy Hours before UA Science Lectures, and hikes arranged by our active Leaders and Participants. JOIN US!!



## **Tried & True Trades**

### **Appliance Repair**

**EMSP Appliance Repair 520-661-0030**

Recommended by Bill & Lee Strang

### **2 son's Finest Appliances**

Recommended by Marianne Van Zyll

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

**Tony Gonzalez 520-250-6769**

Recommended by Joey Tanner Barbee

**Armando Pacheco - 520-338-3980**

Recommended by David Scott Allen & Mark Sammons

**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

### **Facials**

**Lianae ZL Medaesthetics**

**520-204-1956**

Recommended by Jo Ann Marcus

### **Handyman**

**Carlson Eby 520-343-9348**

Recommended by Marianne Van Zyll & Deb Perry

**Jonathan Wilt 520-870-1572**

Recommended by Mike & Carolyn Rockwell

**Richard Floyd 520-404-5806**

Recommended by Olive Mondello

**Dallas Davis 520-403-1356**

Recommended by Gisele Nelson

**Nailed It: Mark Confer 520-990-8823**

Recommended by Frank & Pamela Bangs

**John Landers 520-609-2530**

Recommended by John & Ann Berkman

**John Gordon 520-282-1725**

Recommended by Marti Greason

### **Home Checks & Caretaking**

**Catalina Concierge - Marco Manzo**

**520-628-0206**

Recommended by Ken Conant and Jim Sankey

### **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

**Angie Stokes 520-270-4875**

Housekeeping, windows, patio & yard clean up

Recommended by Nanci Hartwick

### **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

### **Locksmith**

**Key One Inc 520-327-3432**

Recommended by Bill & Lee Strang

## **Landscaping/Gardeners**

**Jose A. Enriquez 520-975-9785**

Recommended by Gail Reich & David Holter

**Francisco Enriquez 520-405-8527**

Recommended by Jean Paine and Bill & Lee Strang

### **Manicure/Pedicure, Gels - Waxing**

**Nails by Yen 520-638-8840**

Recommended by JoAnn Marcus & 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**

Recommended by Jo Ann Marcus

**Ginger Castle LMT CKTP - 520-877-0038**

Recommended by Marianne Van Zyll

### **Painting & Decorative Artist**

**Mary Howard - 520-991-5336**

Recommended by Marianne Van Zyll

### **Painting**

**Dennis Detmering 727-244-0810**

Recommended by Jane Hamilton

**Luis Ramirez - 520-740-0494**

Recommended by Roy Langenberg

### **Pet Grooming**

**Just Dogs by Jenni Vance -- 520-389-2269**

**Mobile Grooming**

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

### **Real Estate**

**Russ Carden - 520-235-5411**

**Associate Broker - Long Realty**

Recommended by Pat Weigand

### **Remodel/Construction**

**Shawn Henderson 520-745-2169**

Recommended by Marti Greason & Jean Paine

### **Roofing**

**Alan Bradley Roofing 520-885-3571**

Recommended by JoAnn Marcus

### **Window Cleaning**

**Better View Professional Windows &**

**Miniblind Cleaners 520-917-3333**

Recommended by David Scott Allen & Mark Sammons

# Treasurer Report

Pat Weigand, Treasurer

Income and Expenses in the current budget are on track. Thank you very much to those Owners who paid their HOA dues on time. Your timely payments keep the Pueblo operating and functioning up to expectation.

**Catalina Pueblo Association  
Statements of Cash Flows and Budget  
January 2020**

	2020 YTD Actual	2020 Annual Budget	Budget YTD Remaining
<b>Income:</b>			
Association Dues	\$ 56,250.00	\$ 81,000.00	\$ 24,750.00
Title Transfer Fees		\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,600.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 56,250.00</b>	<b>\$ 82,600.00</b>	<b>\$ 26,350.00</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>			
<b>Administrative:</b>			
Postage/Printing/Other	\$ 51.23	\$ 900.00	\$ 848.77
Website		\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Professiona Services (Bnkg/CPA/Atty)	\$ 60.00	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 3,540.00
Property Tax/Licenses		\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
Insurance		\$ 3,200.00	\$ 3,200.00
Reimbursed Expenses			\$ -
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 111.23</b>	<b>\$ 8,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,888.77</b>
<b>Neighborhood Infrastructure:</b>			
Contracted Monthly Landscaping	\$ 700.00	\$ 8,400.00	\$ 7,700.00
Landscaping Maintenance, Project & Design		\$ 8,500.00	\$ 8,500.00
Watershed Management Project		\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Roads & Drainage	\$ 244.74	\$ 250.00	\$ 5.26
Security & Lightbulbs		\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 944.74</b>	<b>\$ 22,150.00</b>	<b>\$ 21,205.26</b>
<b>Neighborhood Social Activites:</b>	<b>\$ 100.00</b>	<b>\$ 4,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,900.00</b>
<b>Recreational - Pools:</b>			
Routine Services/Chemicals	\$ 580.00	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 7,920.00
3 Pools Maintenance, Replacement & Repairs	\$ 1,005.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 10,995.00
Southwest Gas	\$ 721.38	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 6,778.62
Tucson Electric		\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
City of Tucson Water	\$ 217.70	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,782.30
Contracted Housekeeping Monthly (12x\$200)	\$ 200.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,200.00
Other (permits/termites/furniture)		\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 2,724.08</b>	<b>\$ 45,400.00</b>	<b>\$ 42,675.92</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 3,880.05</b>	<b>\$ 79,550.00</b>	<b>\$ 75,669.95</b>
<b>Reserve Transfer</b>		<b>\$ 3,050.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,050.00</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND TRANSFER</b>	<b>\$ 3,880.05</b>	<b>\$ 82,600.00</b>	
<b>NET INCOME (not including reserve transfer)</b>	<b>\$ 52,369.95</b>		
<b>Checking and Reserve Funds</b>			
	<b>Checking</b>	<b>Reserve</b>	<b>Total</b>
Balance 1/1/2020	\$ - (1)	\$ 111,506.44 (1)	\$ 111,506.44
Total Net Cash Flow	\$ 52,369.95	\$ 2.34 (2)	
Ending Balance 01/31/2020	\$ 52,369.95	\$ 111,508.78	\$ 163,878.73

(1) Beginning bank balances have been reconciled based on accrued reserve transfer.  
\$246.75 expenses paid in 2019, cleared bank in 2020  
\$23,730.61 Reserve transfer included in beginning balance, transfer actually completed in Jan2019

(2) Interest income in the savings account

## 2020 Board of Directors

Please contact the  
board via email:  
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Board@gmail.com](mailto:CatalinaPueblo-Board@gmail.com)

**Jean Paine** — *President*

**Frank Bangs** — *Vice President*

**Connie Church** — *Secretary*

**Patricia Weigand** — *Treasurer*

**Mike Wattis** — *Pools*

**Joey Barbee** — *Landscape*

**Warren Edminster** — *Architecture*

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## Board of Directors Meeting Monday, March 9th @ Jean's

Call to Order  
Approval of February Minutes  
Committee and Officer's Reports  
New Business  
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, [www.catalinapueblo.com](http://www.catalinapueblo.com), 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:

Erosion & Water Harvesting: Frank Bangs, Chair  
Giuseppe & Annamaria Biagini  
JoAnn Marcus  
Gail Reich  
Jean Paine  
Deb Perry

Architecture: Warren Edminster, Chair  
Bev Edminster  
Mark Sammons  
Lee Strang  
Jean Paine  
Jake Hurwitz

Landscape: Joey Barbee, Chair  
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Jeannie Wager  
Lee Strang  
Gail Reich  
Patsy Dickens  
Doreen Frankel  
Judy Liebman  
Mary Porter  
Bennett Porter

Pools: Mike Wattis, Chair  
Mike Rockwell  
David Holter  
Marti Greason

Light bulbs:  
Pueblo: Terry Temple & Dan Bares  
Maria: Marti Greason & Olive Mondello  
Adelita & Cerrada Adelita:  
Mike Rockwell (West) Gail Reich (East)  
Posada E.: Marianne Van Zyll  
Posada W.: Russ & Glenda Melin  
Minera: Pat Weigand & Gene Gieseler  
Caballo & Cerrada Caballo:  
Nancy Meister & Jay Book  
Campbell: Jean Paine

Directory:  
David Scott Allen, Cover & Photos  
Bob Garrett: Map  
Connie Church, Layout & Design

Newsletter:  
*PuebloRecipes*: David Scott Allen  
*Garden Gallimaufry*: Mark Sammons  
*Neighborhood News*: Pat Weigand  
*Social Events Photos & Layout*: Bob Garrett  
*Editor*: Connie Church

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