



## State of the Pueblo

Barbara Eckel, President

Sunshine and warmer temperatures are major motivators for living in Tucson. Beautiful landscapes and good neighbors brought us to Catalina Pueblo. Thank you all for making this community a wonderful place.

The contributions of time and energy from the Architecture, Landscaping, and Pool committees have enhanced our community. A big thank you to all the members. The board is also planning to revive the Water Management committee. If you are interested in joining any of these committees, please let the committee chair know. "It takes a village."

On that note, let's get together for our TAPAS TOUR. This year our hosts will be: Joey Barbee, Ann & John Berkman, and Lucinda & Bob Frenz. Look for an email with further details.

We will be celebrating our 50th anniversary as a community in a few years. Therefore, we may be eligible for an historic district status. Plans are underway in this regard. Anyone interested in helping to pursue this, please contact Milo Meacham.

The Minera water leak was finally found and repaired. The Tucson Water Department will be patching the holes in the road and a contractor will be laying asphalt sometime in the next few weeks. Thank you to Daniel Castro-Pereira for diligently pursuing the leak with the water department.

P.S. Check out *A Reminder from Your Board of Directors* on how to deal with weeds on page 2.

### Applications for *Rental Property* status will now be accepted

Notice is hereby given that the Board will accept applications from **February 22** to **March 22** from Owners interested in renting their home. By March 30, all applicants will be notified of their position in the date of deed order with the oldest date given first opportunity. This application process is open only to those Owners who do not already own a rentable property.

If you are interested in applying, please review Rule 10 Rental of Dwelling Units as revised 2022 (posted on [www.catalinapueblo.com](http://www.catalinapueblo.com)) and advise the Board via email: [catalinapuebloboard@gmail.com](mailto:catalinapuebloboard@gmail.com) no later than **March 22, 2023**.

#### Inside This Issue:

Page 2  
Architectural Committee  
Reminder from Board

Page 3  
Landscape Committee

Page 4  
Garden Gallimaufry

Page 5  
Pueblo Recipes

Page 6  
Aerial View of CP

Page 7  
Tried & True Trades

Page 8  
January Financials

Page 9  
Committees  
2023 Board of Directors



Desert Bluebell - *Phacelia campanularia*

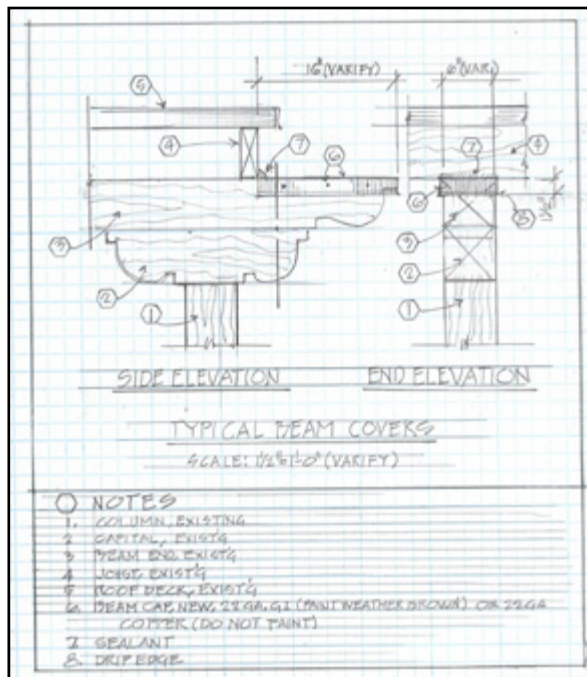
## Secretary/Communications Connie Church

Board meetings will be held the second Tuesday of each month, except during summer hiatus. Newsletters will be published one week after the Board meets. If you wish to be put on the agenda, please contact the Board at [catalinapuebloboard@gmail.com](mailto:catalinapuebloboard@gmail.com)

## Architecture Committee Chair

Milo Meacham, AIA LEED<sup>AP</sup>

The Architecture Committee completed its review of properties in the Blue Zone and I am pleased to report that, in general, the condition of the properties therein was very good. Those of you that are new to the Pueblo may not know that we conduct reviews of two of the four quadrants every year. The review is primarily for aesthetic/condition issues that are visible from the public ways such as streets and dedicated walkways. It is not a structural condition review although the Committee members do sometimes spot an apparent problem such as deteriorating adobe or large cracks in adobe or stucco covered concrete block walls. Also, water damage from leaking faucets or canales (scuppers) that may have failed. Another issue that is frequently mentioned is the corbeled beam ends that are exposed to the weather without a metal cover. This condition can result in the rotting of the beam ends and the requirement (in the rules) that they must be repaired or replaced in kind. The metal covers are not expensive and are cheap insurance against the costly replacement. Some of the handymen listed in the directory in this newsletter have installed the caps many times and also replaced or repaired the rotted beam ends. Below is a detail provided by our former Chair of the Architecture Committee, Warren Edminster. Two sources for the metal covers are: Quick Sheet Metal, and "Get Bent" sheet metal.



## A Reminder from Your Board of Directors

Winter rains are germinating a lot of weeds. Most are harmless and short-lived native plants and wildflowers. Their dry remains crumble and decay, or can easily be raked away before fire season arrives.

More worrisome is buffel grass, a highly-invasive plant that out-competes native plants and becomes a fire hazard.



You can minimize future spread of undesirable weeds by whacking off the plants during bloom and before seeding, using a hoe on shallow-rooted plants, or digging out deeper-rooted plants.

Alternatively, there are poisons. These work by interfering with the plant's growth. Although designed for plants, they are hazardous for pets, wildlife, and humans. If you go this route, make sure the company you hire has a license from the Arizona Department of Agriculture. If you do it yourself, wear gloves, goggles, a washable hat. Remember that all chemicals persist and eventually migrate into waterways.

In either case, notify your neighbors ahead of time, apply only on a windless day, keep windows closed, pets and children indoors.

An alternative to chemicals is spot spritzing with a mix of vinegar, salt, and detergent. There are lots of recipes for this mix online.

## Landscape Committee

Joey Tanner Barbee, Chair

Mark Sammons, Jeannie Wager, Lee Strang, Doreen Frankel, Mary Porter,  
Jean Paine, Bennett Porter, Carolyn Neff, Marion Taylor

### Minera Common Path

Neighbors may have noticed a fair amount of activity in the Minera Common over the last couple of years. This is part of a plan to clean out rat habitat, dead plants, and tinder. After the Bighorn Fire burned the length of the Catalina Mountains, some nearby neighborhoods were evacuated and our own was put on alert, so we've been paying attention to ease of movement of emergency personnel through our alleys, washes and common areas, and making sure owners have clear egress from their back gates.

Additionally, we've learned that, at Minera Common, the Association owns right up to the back patio walls and gates of most (not all) properties. So we've been taking responsibility for making sure the area outside those back gates is not overgrown or unsafe for residents' egress.

Toward the goal of easy movement, we will be developing a simple path that will loop through Minera Common around the pool, and connect to both the pool gates. The idea is that such a path will provide safe and convenient access to the pool, a clear route around thorny cacti and shrubs. By connecting one or both ends of the

path to Calle Minera, the path will be available to all residents of the Pueblo.

The idea at present is that such a path will be minimally developed so it will blend with the existing desert landscape, virtually invisible when viewed from street or patios. It will undulate around existing plants and boulders. It will be closer to the pool than to residents' patios, to preserve residents' privacy. Over time the Minera Common may be enhanced with additional cacti and desert shrubs.

A longer range goal will be to slow sheets of storm water so it will sink in and nurture the desert plantings, rather than sweeping into the street and gullies.

Also, the committee is looking into how to smooth pedestrian footing at the pool gates, so that someone whose arms are full while fumbling for the gate key doesn't stumble.

If you have ideas that would help make these improvements successful and an enjoyable amenity for all, please let us know!



## Garden Gallimaufry

Mark Sammons

Mark J. Sammons  
[cookfarm@comcast.net](mailto:cookfarm@comcast.net)  
520-615-6019

### FEBRUARY GARDEN CHORES

Continue to watch for frost;  
cover as necessary.

Leave frost-damaged  
foliage to protect lower  
branches.

Around Valentine's Day  
fertilize citrus, fruit trees,  
iris, roses.

Prune dead, damaged and  
crossed branches.

Cut away and remove  
mistletoe in garden and  
wild areas alike.

You may still pot up  
seasonal annuals for a few  
months of color.

Harvest citrus.

Plant trees and shrubs.

Continue irrigation  
alternate weeks (monthly  
or less for succulents), less  
if rains are good

Photo and Text by  
Mark J. Sammons

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

Honeysuckle may seem an improbable plant for our climate, but it is a successful flowering vine for our patios. Among many species, the most readily-available is the Japanese honeysuckle, *Lonicera japonica*, with white-and-gold blossoms, and the pink-blossomed European *Lonicera periclymenum* (and many varieties of the latter with various shades in the pink range). Several unrelated shrubs have the name "honeysuckle" in them, so this is a case where you'll need to jot down the Latin name before heading to the nursery.

Honeysuckle vines produce small clusters of sweet-scented blossoms that, in our climate, open over several weeks in April. The individual blossoms are slim and double-tongued, with outward-curving tips reminiscent of goat horns, whence the Latin family name, *caprifoliaceae*. Blossoms change color on their second day, giving a pleasant mix of colors. There is no need to deadhead spent blossoms. Those familiar with ancient Classical art may recognize these blossom clusters as the source of the anthemion pattern.

Here in the desert, full sun is too much. It will succeed in bright indirect light, as against a north-facing wall, or with afternoon shade. Mine flourished against a northeast-facing wall, where it received about three hours of brutal sun on June mornings before shade drifted over it. It prefers to have its roots in the shade, which can be accomplished with a layer of cobbles or well-place adjacent shrubs.

Honeysuckle likes well-drained soil, and doesn't mind our alkaline soil. I successfully grew mine in native soil. You can keep moisture more constant by mixing some bagged potting soil into the native soil. In early spring when tip growth resumes, feed it with a balanced 10-10-10 or 20-20-20 water-soluble fertilizer.

Honeysuckle needs a modest amount of water; frugal drip irrigation works. In a plant's first year, during the growing season, water it a two or three times a week; after it is established this can be reduced. Though invasive in other climates, here in the desert honeysuckle will not spread beyond its watered spot.



The vine is evergreen and frost hardy. In freezing temperatures, some leaves curl and shed. Seasonal care involves pinching it back if it clammers further than you want. Take this seriously; the European species can reach twenty feet, the Japanese species thirty feet. Plan ahead and keep an eye on it.

Although delicate looking, the mass of stems and leaves can be weighty, so I recommend a sturdy metal trellis or tough wire that will not deteriorate or need replacement for many years.

I trained a Japanese honeysuckle in a wreath around a window. It flooded the adjacent room with perfume in April. Eventually, I let it blanket the entire window, which kept the June morning sun out (yay!) but made the room dark in winter (boo!). Eventually I cut it to the ground to let it grow up anew, but it did not grow back at all; a lesson learned. Grrr!



# pueblorecipes

recipes collected and edited by david scott allen • february 2023

While this recipe is intended to be used as an appetizer, we have often served it with toast points and on a bed of lettuce as a main course; in this case, it will serve 4.



## Potted Salmon

3 1/2 cups water  
1/2 cup wine  
2 bay leaves  
3/4 pound boneless, skinless salmon fillet  
4 ounces smoked salmon, finely chopped  
1 cup crème fraîche  
3 tablespoons chopped fresh dill

2 tablespoons chopped fresh chives  
pinch cayenne pepper  
zest of 1 lemon  
2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice  
sea salt  
freshly ground black pepper  
crusty French bread, to serve

Bring water, wine and bay leaves to a boil. Remove from heat, add salmon fillets and cover. Set aside to cool for 1/2 hour. Mix remaining ingredients in a bowl until well combined, and set aside. When salmon is cool, drain and gently flake the fillets and add them to the mixture. Fold gently to combine, taking care not to break up the fillet too much. Season to taste. Store in a glass jar in the fridge for up to 4 days. Serve with sliced bread. Serves 8, as an appetizer.

This recipe, and many more, can be found on David's blog.

**Cocoa & Lavender -**  
[www.cocoaandlavender.com](http://www.cocoaandlavender.com).

If you have any culinary questions for David, feel free to email him at [cocoaandlavender@gmail.com](mailto:cocoaandlavender@gmail.com)

COCOA  
LAVENDER

## Aerial View of Catalina Pueblo — 2023

Lucinda & Bob Frenz

Recently, Lucinda and Bob's son, Elliot, visited and brought his drone! He took many great photos and several videos. Thank you Lucinda and Bob for sharing this great photo of our beloved neighborhood.



## **Tried & True Trades**

### **Carpet Cleaning**

**Sea Breeze Floor Care (Cason) 520-546-2104**  
(carpet, stone, tile & grout)  
Recommended by Bill & Lee Strang

### **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

### **Drain Cleaning & Plumbing**

**Rootin Tootin Rooter 520-464-4889**  
Recommended by Marianne Van Zyll & Barb Eckel

### **Electrician**

**Ruben Castaneda 520-250-6043**  
Recommended by David Scott Allen & Mark Sammons  
**Joe McDaniel/Just Energize It 520-409-6096**  
Recommended by Jean Paine

### **Handyman**

**Anthony - AZ Handyman 330-605-3066**  
Recommended by Marianne Van Zyll  
**Carlson Eby 520-343-9348**  
Recommended by Marianne Van Zyll & Deb Perry  
**Jonathan Wilt 520-870-1572**  
Recommended by Mike Rockwell  
**Richard Floyd 520-404-5806**  
Recommended by Olive Mondello  
**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**

**Fernando Mendez 520-445-1061**  
Alex's Cleaning Service  
Recommended by Jo Ann Marcus  
**Elizabeth Padilla 520-304-6693**  
Housekeeping, windows, patio & yard clean up  
Recommended by Nanci Hartwick

### **HVAC**

**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

### **IT Computer Technology**

**Adam Oseran 520-404-7884**  
Recommended by Laurie Fenske  
**Sebastian Perez 520-989-4875**  
Recommended by Jennifer Flores

### **Landscaping/Gardeners**

**Amigo Landscape Samuel 520-443-0414**  
Recommended by Deb Perry  
**Jose A. Enriquez 520-975-9785**  
Recommended by Gail Reich & David Holter  
**Francisco Enriquez 520-405-8527**  
Recommended by Bill & Lee Strang

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

**Nails by Yen 520-638-8840**  
Recommended by JoAnn Marcus

### **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

### **Pet/Dog Training & Walking**

**Kimble Palmer 407-694-3129**  
Recommended by Jo Ann Marcus

### **Pipe Relining**

**Nu Flow 520-284-0056**  
Recommended by Carol Sinclair

### **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**

**Patrice Anne Placencia 805-901-8727**  
Recommended by Michael Lefebvre & Warren Edminster  
**Russ Carden Long Realty 520-235-5411**  
Recommended by Pat Weigand  
**Stephanie Meigs Sinclair Assoc. 520-577-5120**  
Recommended by Carol Sinclair

### **Remodel/Construction**

**Shawn Henderson 520-745-2169**  
Recommended by Marti Greason

### **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

Catalina Pueblo Association  
Statements of Cash Flows and Budget  
January 2023

	2023 YTD Actual	2023 Annual Budget	Budget YTD Remaining	
<b>Income:</b>				
Association Dues	\$ 53,250.00	\$ 81,000.00	\$ 27,750.00	
Title Transfer Fees & Penalties/Interest	\$ 400.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,200.00	
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 53,650.00</b>	<b>\$ 82,600.00</b>	<b>\$ 28,950.00</b>	
<b>Expenses:</b>				
<b>Administrative:</b>				
Postage/Printing/Other	\$ 132.34	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 867.66	
Website		\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	
Professiona Services (Bnkg/CPA/Atty)	\$ 60.00	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 3,540.00	
Property Tax/Licenses		\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	
Insurance		\$ 3,200.00	\$ 3,200.00	
Reimbursed Expenses			\$ -	
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 192.34</b>	<b>\$ 8,200.00</b>	<b>\$ 8,007.66</b>	
<b>Neighborhood Infrastructure:</b>				
Contracted Monthly Landscaping (12x\$770)	\$ 770.00	\$ 9,240.00	\$ 8,470.00	
Landscaping Maintenance, Project & Design	\$ 780.73	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 5,219.27	
Watershed Management Project		\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	
Roads & Drainage		\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	
Security - Covid-19		\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	
Security & Lightbulbs		\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 1,550.73</b>	<b>\$ 19,740.00</b>	<b>\$ 18,189.27</b>	
<b>Neighborhood Social Activities:</b>		<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>	
<b>Recreational - Pools:</b>				
Routine Services/Chemicals	\$ 2,035.80	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 11,964.20	
3 Pools Maintenance, Replacement & Repairs	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 7,700.00	
Southwest Gas	\$ 1,252.66	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 6,247.34	
Tucson Electric	\$ 587.93	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 9,412.07	
City of Tucson Water	\$ 257.49	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,742.51	
Contracted Housekeeping Monthly (12x\$220)	\$ 220.00	\$ 2,640.00	\$ 2,420.00	
Other (permits/termites/furniture)		\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 5,653.88</b>	<b>\$ 49,140.00</b>	<b>\$ 43,486.12</b>	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 7,396.95</b>	<b>\$ 82,080.00</b>	<b>\$ 74,683.05</b>	
<b>Reserve Transfer</b>		<b>\$ 520.00</b>	<b>\$ 520.00</b>	
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND TRANSFER</b>	<b>\$ 7,396.95</b>	<b>\$ 82,600.00</b>		
<b>NET CASH FLOW (not including reserve transfer)</b>	<b>\$ 46,253.05</b>			
<b>Checking and Reserve Funds</b>				
	<b>Reserve Balance</b>			
	<b>PFCU MM</b>	<b>PFCU Svgs</b>	<b>PFCU CD</b>	<b>PFCU Total</b>
Balance 1/1/2023	\$ 138,524.96	\$ 5.00	\$ 25,528.70	
Transfer In/Out	\$ 20,431.05			
Total Net Cash Flow	\$ 169.20 (1)	\$ -	\$ 64.18 (1)	
Ending Balance 1/31/2023	\$ 159,125.21	\$ 5.00	\$ 25,592.88	\$ 184,723.09
	<b>WF Checking</b>		<b>Total</b>	
Balance 1/1/2023	\$ 1,500.00 (2)		\$ 165,558.66	
Transfer In/Out			\$ 20,431.05	
Total Net Cash Flow	\$ 46,253.05		\$ 46,486.43	
Ending Balance 1/31/2023	\$ 47,753.05		\$ 232,476.14	

(1) Interest income in the MM and CD accounts

(2) Reserve transfer of \$20,431.05 completed in Jan2023. Deducted from 1/1/2023 Bal leaving only the prepaid 2023 dues



## 2023 Board of Directors

Please contact the  
Board via email:  
catalinapuebloboard@  
gmail.com

**Barbara Eckel** — *President*  
520-425-6350 [beckel5212@gmail.com](mailto:beckel5212@gmail.com)

**Deborah Perry** — *Vice President*  
720-333-3300 [debperry8@gmail.com](mailto:debperry8@gmail.com)

**Connie Church** — *Secretary*  
208-771-0507 [conniechurch313@gmail.com](mailto:conniechurch313@gmail.com)

**Patricia Weigand** — *Treasurer*  
215-219-7451 [weigand\\_patricia@yahoo.com](mailto:weigand_patricia@yahoo.com)

**Mike Wattis** — *Pools*  
520-977-5377 [mike@wattisinc.com](mailto:mike@wattisinc.com)

**Joey Barbee** — *Landscape*  
520-529-3948 [jtannerariz@gmail.com](mailto:jtannerariz@gmail.com)

**Milo Meacham** — *Architecture*  
520-460-6240 [meacharch@comcast.net](mailto:meacharch@comcast.net)

### Hughes Sanitation Services

Catalina Pueblo's official waste collection firm. As per our governing documents, everyone must use the company selected by the Association.

**Fridays** – both recycle and trash

Billing address:  
P. O. Box 725, Cortaro, AZ 85652

520-883-5868

[hughessanitationservices@hotmail.com](mailto:hughessanitationservices@hotmail.com)

[www.tucsontrash.com](http://www.tucsontrash.com)

**Board of Directors Meetings**  
**Second Tuesday of each month**  
**4:00 p.m.**  
**2568 E. Cerrada Caballo**

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: Milo Meacham Chair  
Mark Sammons  
Lee Strang  
Jean Paine  
Jake Hurwitz

Landscape: Joey Barbee, Chair  
Mark Sammons  
Jeannie Wager  
Lee Strang  
Doreen Frankel  
Mary Porter  
Bennett Porter  
Jean Paine  
Carolyn Neff  
Marion Taylor

Pools: Mike Wattis, Chair  
Eric Wager  
Mary Steffenson  
David Holter  
Marti Greason  
Jan Sikora-Lerch

Light bulbs:  
Chair & Campbell: Jean Paine  
Pueblo: Terry Temple & Dan Bares  
Maria: Marti Greason & Olive Mondello  
Adelita & Cerrada Adelita:  
**need volunteer** (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

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

Web site: [www.catalinapueblo.com](http://www.catalinapueblo.com)  
Connie Church