



State of the Pueblo

Barbara Eckel, President

Happy Fall Everyone,

We can finally say the cooler weather has begun. It has been a long time coming this year.

Over the past several months, the Board has been reviewing the 2024 Reserve Study update and seeking the advice of the Reserve Task Force to plan the 2025 Annual Budget. We will be holding two community meetings to share our work with you. So mark you calendars and meet us at the

Adelita Pool:

Sunday, December 8, 2:00-3:00pm
Sunday, December 15, 10:30-11:30am

We welcome your comments and questions at these meetings. But never fret, if you cannot attend one of the above meetings in person, we will send out our findings via email later in December.

If you have comments or questions in the meantime, please submit them to CatalinaPuebloBoard@gmail.com.

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Rule 2.5.3 Exterior Holiday Lights and Decorations

Colored holiday lights and holiday decorations may be displayed from 30 days before the holiday through 14 days after the date of the holiday.

Nominating Committee

Deb Perry, Vice President

Update from the Nominating Committee...

Thank you! Thank you!

... to the neighbors who responded to my plea for volunteers on our HOA Board and Committees. We have filled all positions except for the Secretary. You do not need to be a year-round resident to fill this position. If anyone is interested in this Board role, please reach out to me with any questions and to discuss the possibilities.

Gratefully,
Deb Perry

Nominating Committee Chair
720-333-3300
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Lightbulb Committee

Jean Paine, Chair

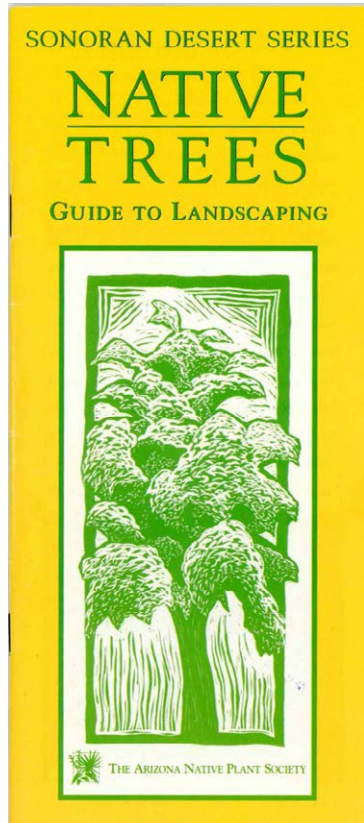
Catalina Pueblo has been transitioning to LED bulbs in our Lampposts. We thank the lightbulb street captains for making this a relatively easy transition.

During the transition, we discovered that some of our 50 plus years old lamp sockets weren't set up for LEDs. If you receive notification from your block captain that your light socket needs to be upgraded, please have an electrician replace it as soon as possible. The Lampposts provide the only street lighting at night in the Pueblo. The lights provide light for walkers, cars, and a safer community.

From The Landscape Committee

TREES MATTER

..... especially our NATIVE DESERT TREES



Most all trees reduce temperatures through their shade . . .

Native Desert Trees, in addition to that, use less water as they mature! Obviously, the use of less water is something we also care about !!!

These trees attract butterflies, native pollinators and birds; and, normally require less care and maintenance. Most sources recommend planting these trees in the Fall or Spring.

An extremely valuable source that provides detailed information on tree selection, landscape design, photos, planting and more is found at:

SONORAN DESERT SERIES NATIVE TREES GUIDE TO LANDSCAPING

The Arizona Native Plant Society
ANPS website: <https://aznps.com>

Please note . . . the book we're featuring, Sonoran Desert Series NATIVE TREES can be downloaded here:
<https://aznps.com/documents/NativeTrees-AZNPS.pdf>

Another valuable source . . . this one is now on-line!

Care of Desert-Adapted Plants

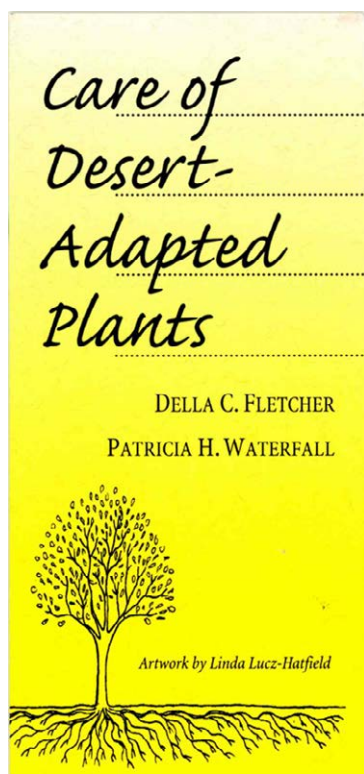
by Della C. Fletcher & Patricia H. Waterfall
from The University of Arizona
Cooperative Extension
College of Agriculture and Life Sciences

Care of Desert Adapted Plants is available here to download: <https://extension.arizona.edu/sites/extension.arizona.edu/files/pubs/az1048.pdf>

Please remember, approval of planting any trees outside of patio walls requires Approval of the Catalina Pueblo Landscape Committee.

Landscape Committee

Doreen Frankel
Carolyn Neff
Jean Paine
Mark Sammons
Karen Satterfield
Mike Sharpless
Mary Steffenson
Lee Strang
Marion Taylor
Joey Barbee, Chair





Días de la ktoberfest





Dias de la Oktoberfest



Photos by
Karen Satterfield



Garden Gallimaufry

Mark Sammons

Mark J. Sammons
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NOVEMBER GARDEN CHORES

Discontinue any feeding.
Reduce irrigation to induce
dormancy.

Sort your frost cloths, stakes
and clothespins.

Expect frost around
Thanksgiving.

Prepare to move tender plants
onto porch or indoors on
frosty nights.

Bring rare tender succulents
indoors.

Postpone most pruning till late
February or March.

Sow wildflower seeds; water
deeply weekly, till winter rains
take over.

You can still plant shrubs and
trees, especially deciduous
ones.

Plant cool-weather vegetables.
Pot up your favorite winter
annuals.

Everyone is outdoors now; be
careful of how much noise you
make with garden machines,
pets, construction, etc.

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

Learn about the Pueblo's
landscape history at:
[https://catalinapueblo.com/
history/](https://catalinapueblo.com/history/)

Photo: *Larrea tridentata* in
Furnace Creek,
by Eric in SF, Wiki Creative
Commons

Five hundred to ten thousand years; this is not a typo. Read on... Creosote bush (*Larrea tridentata*) is so common we take it for granted. Examples on our lots are residual from our neighborhood founders' intent to preserve the native landscape. It is found across the Sonoran, Chihuahuan, and Mojave Deserts, where it endures extremes of heat and chill, drenching monsoons and blistering droughts.

It flourishes across acres of the flattest and hottest desert where little else will grow, giving rise to the term "creosote flat" for a desert biome that contrasts with our foothills thorn-scrub biome (where creosote also grows in abundance).

Starting when it is about a dozen years old, a creosote bush will produce little yellow star-shaped spring flowers followed by small hard fruits covered in silvery fuzz. The fuzz helps the fruits tumble away from the parent plant. The seeds have a low germination rate unless the quantity of rain, temperature, shade, and timing are all aligned. The leaves are slightly toxic and avoided by most herbivorous insects, mammals, reptiles and birds.

Creosote protects itself from extremely dry conditions by folding its leaves, so it looks sparser on a scorching day. The leaves may turn yellow, and turn green again when rain arrives. A three-foot-deep tap root stabilizes the shrub in desert winds, while shallow lateral roots reach outward about ten feet to catch shallow surface moisture. Its roots release biochemicals that discourage other plants, even its own offspring, from growing around it. This causes the distinctive open look of creosote flats. This spacing has prevented creosote bush from adapting to fire, as natural lightning-strike fires seldom leapt the gaps. Its resinous foliage is flammable, making the spread of flammable and invasive buffel grass problematic.

A creosote shrub can eventually send out new growth from the edges of the root crown. This enables it to live on, even as the old center wood dies out, ultimately leaving a ring-shaped plant.

With these survival tactics, individual creosote shrubs can live 500 to 10,000 years. That is not a typo. When you glance out the car window, you may be glimpsing the oldest living thing you will ever see. If you are lucky enough to have even a small creosote bush on your property, think of the centuries it has or will witness. Common as it seems, nothing equivalent can replace it in your lifetime.

Creosote's sparse shade is better than none, so all sorts of birds and animals, small and large, shelter below it. The shrub also serves as a sheltering nurse plant for young cacti. Many burrowing animals make homes among its roots. All its features add up to making creosote bush an ecological keystone species in our desert.

Although toxic to most animals, there are two curious exceptions. One is a tiny insect, *Tachardiella larreae*, the creosote lac scale. In one phase of its life cycle, it lives on the slim branches and sucks sap from it. This irritant causes the plant to form a little spherical gall. From the sugars in the sap the insect makes a sticky spherical shelter. The indigenous inhabitants of the region once collected and used this lac for glue to repair broken pottery or seal storage jars.



The second exception to its toxicity is its digestibility by Old World camels, both Bactrian camels and dromedary. This is strange for this Old World native, and was noticed when both types of camels were imported by the US Army in the mid nineteenth-century as an alternative pack animal for operations in the desert Southwest (not a successful experiment, but an interesting story of its own). To modern evolutionary biologists, this suggests that before Old World and the now-extinct New World camels had diverged, they developed a tolerance for creosote bush that endures in the genetic makeup of today's Old World camels, even though there is no creosote bush in their native environment.

A resin in creosote bush leaves is released with high humidity. The scent is associated with rain. When you smell it, it often indicates that you are standing in direct line of an approaching monsoon rain. Because of this pleasant association, we hang a sprig in the shower to enjoy this cheering scent during the driest months.

pueblorecipes

recipes collected and edited by david scott allen • november 2024

Sometimes, we need easy recipes to get through the holidays. This cranberry sauce is one, but there are others in past newsletters; just go to CatalinaPueblo, command search the Newsletters tab for these issues of the newsletter:

Maple Pumpkin Custard -
10/2023

Sour Cream and Onions -
11/2017

Two-Potato Gratin -
10/2017

Pumpkin Bars - 11/2016

Pumpkin Pie - 12/2012

Apple Pie- 10/10



Microwave Cranberry Sauce

12 ounces fresh cranberries (1 bag)
1 cup sugar
1/2 cup orange juice
add-ins (listed below)

Add the cranberries, sugar, and orange juice, and any add-ins to a microwave-safe casserole (with cover, if possible). Cover the casserole and microwave on high (1000-1200 Watt oven) for 5 minutes. (Use a triple layer of plastic wrap if the casserole doesn't have a cover.) Remove from the microwave and stir. Cover, return the microwave and cook another 5 minutes. If you like it thicker, stir and microwave for another 2 minutes. Transfer to a serving bowl and let chill.

Makes 3-4 cups.

Add-in options: cardamom, cinnamon, orange zest, chopped fresh thyme or rosemary, chopped nuts (walnuts or pecans).

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

COCOA
LAVENDER

Tried & True Trades

If you have received excellent service from an individual or company and wish to share your recommendation with your neighbors, please email Connie, conniechurch313@gmail.com, or put your written recommendations in the Association mailbox at Adelita Pool - 6251 North Calle de Adelita.

Mobile Vet Clinic Kenneth Cohn, DVM 520-465-1533

Recommended by
Jo Ann Marcus

Pet/Dog Train- ing & Walking Kimble Palmer 407-694-3129

Recommended by
Jo Ann Marcus

Real Estate Patrice A. 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

Carpet Cleaning

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

Concrete, Masonry, Block, Adobe & Stucco Repair

Dennis Detmering 727-244-0810
Burnt Adobe Spray Maintenance

Recommended by Joe & Sandy Thompson

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

C & C Scape 520-250-9988

Handyman and Wrought Iron

Recommended by Joe & Sandy Thompson

Anthony - AZ Handyman 330-605-3066

Recommended by Marianne Van Zyll

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

House Cleaning Services

Devon Duncan 520-906-6411

Recommended by Laura McCloskey

Fernando Mendez 520-445-1061

Alex's Cleaning Service

Recommended by Jo Ann Marcus

Tyffani Ziko & Nicole Quick 602-544-6011

Recommended by Marianne Van Zyll

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

Jr's AAA Lock and Key 520-332-9453

Recommended by Marti Greason

IT Computer Technology

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 Lee Strang

Manicure/Pedicure, Gels - Waxing

Nails by Yen 520-638-8840

Recommended by JoAnn Marcus

My Nails 520-354-2965

Recommended by Laura McCloskey

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

Luis Ramirez 520-404-3663

Recommended by Laura McCloskey

Pipe Relining

Nu Flow 520-284-0056

Recommended by Carol Sinclair and Ben & Mary Porter

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/Construction

Charles Ramsell - 520-250-9988

Recommended by Jo Ann Marcus

Mike at Portly Construction 520-549-9357

Recommended by Michael Lefebvre

Roy Armenta - 520-360-7644

Recommended by Marianne Van Zyll

Shawn Henderson 520-745-2169

Recommended by Marti Greason

Roofing

Alan Bradley Roofing 520-885-3571

Recommended by JoAnn Marcus

Solar

Technicians for Sustainability 520-740-0736

Recommended by David Scott Allen, Mark Sammons & Pat Weigand

Our World Energy Solar 623-850-5700

Recommended by Marianne Van Zyll

Window Cleaning

Better View Professional Windows &

Miniblind Cleaners 520-917-3333

Recommended by David Scott Allen & Mark Sammons

Devon Duncan 520-906-6411

Recommended by Laura McCloskey

Treasurer Report

Pat Weigand, Treasurer

Catalina Pueblo Association
Statements of Cash Flows and Budget
September 2024

	2024 YTD Actual	2024 Annual Budget	Budget YTD Remaining	
Income:				
Association Dues	\$ 108,075.00	\$ 108,000.00	\$ (75.00)	
Title Transfer Fees & Penalties/Interest	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 400.00	
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 109,275.00	\$ 109,600.00	\$ 325.00	
Expenses:				
Administrative:				
Postage/Printing/Other	\$ 496.23	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 503.77	
Website	\$ 36.99	\$ 100.00	\$ 63.01	
Professional Services (Bnkg/CPA/Atty)	\$ 2,309.98	\$ 3,720.00	\$ 1,410.02	
Property Tax/Licenses	\$ 92.05	\$ 300.00	\$ 207.95	
Insurance		\$ 4,200.00	\$ 4,200.00	
Reserve Study	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,750.00	
Reimbursed Expenses			\$ -	
Subtotal	\$ 4,185.25	\$ 12,320.00	\$ 8,134.75	
Neighborhood Infrastructure:				
Contracted Monthly Landscaping (12x\$850)	\$ 7,650.00	\$ 10,200.00	\$ 2,550.00	
Landscaping Maintenance, Project & Design	\$ 3,109.01	\$ 8,600.00	\$ 5,490.99	
Water Management Committee	\$ 3,015.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ (1,015.00)	
Roads & Drainage		\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	
Security - Covid-19		\$ -	\$ -	
Security & Lightbulbs	\$ 1,567.45	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (567.45)	
Subtotal	\$ 15,341.46	\$ 22,800.00	\$ 7,458.54	
Neighborhood Social Activities:	\$ 2,163.48	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 3,836.52	
Recreational - Pools:				
Routine Services/Chemicals	\$ 13,282.30	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 4,717.70	
3 Pools Maintenance, Replacement & Repairs	\$ 4,202.46	\$ 13,900.00	\$ 9,697.54	
Southwest Gas	\$ 8,308.40	\$ 9,200.00	\$ 891.60	
Tucson Electric	\$ 5,363.54	\$ 7,200.00	\$ 1,836.46	
City of Tucson Water	\$ 2,251.68	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 2,248.32	
Contracted Housekeeping Monthly (12x\$245)	\$ 2,450.00	\$ 2,940.00	\$ 490.00	
Other (permits/termites/furniture)	\$ 235.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,265.00	
Subtotal	\$ 36,093.38	\$ 58,240.00	\$ 22,146.62	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 57,783.57	\$ 99,360.00	\$ 41,576.43	
Reserve Transfer		\$ 10,240.00	\$ 10,240.00	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND TRANSFER	\$ 57,783.57	\$ 109,600.00		
NET CASH FLOW (not including reserve transfer)	\$ 51,491.43			
Checking and Reserve Funds				
	Reserve Balance			
	PFCU MM	PFCU Svgs	PFCU CD 24	PFCU CD 12
			Mo	Mo
Balance 1/1/2024	\$ 20,190.80	\$ 5.00	\$ 26,294.69	\$ 51,825.66
Transfer In/Out	\$ 6,930.45 (3)			
Reserve expenses	\$ (4,151.00)			
Total Net Cash Flow	\$ 167.00 (1)	\$ -	\$ 590.07 (1)	\$ 1,943.90 (1)
Ending Balance 9/30/24	<u>\$ 23,137.25</u>	<u>\$ 5.00 (3)</u>	<u>\$ 26,884.76</u>	<u>\$ 53,769.56</u>
				\$ 103,796.57
	WF Checking		Total	
Balance 1/1/2024	\$ 825.00 (2)		\$ 47,315.49	
2024 Dues prepaid in 2023, move to 2024 actuals above	\$ (825.00)		\$ (825.00)	
Transfer In/Out			\$ 6,930.45	
Total Net Cash Flow	<u>\$ 51,491.43</u>		<u>\$ 54,192.40</u>	
Ending Balance 9/30/24	<u>\$ 51,491.43 (3)</u>		<u>\$ 107,613.34</u>	

(1) Interest income in the MM and CD accounts

(2) Reserve transfer of \$6930.45 completed in Jan&Feb2024. Deducted from 1/1/2024 Bal leaving only the prepaid 2024 dues

(3) Reserve transfer not complete until Feb2024, but indicating the result in PFCU Savings and WF checking

2024 Board of Directors

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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
www.tucsontrash.com

Board Meeting
November 12 — 4:00
2469 E. Avenida de Posada

Budget & Reserve Q & A
Adelita Pool
December 8 | 2:00-3:00
December 15 | 10:30-11:30

Save the Date for the Annual Meeting
January 14, 2025

Our website, 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:

Social Committee: Emily Green, Chair

Water Management Committee:

- Deborah Perry, Chair
- Frank Bangs
- Giuseppe & Annamaria Biagini
- Mark Sammons
- Milo Meacham
- Janelle Curry
- Marion Taylor
- Jean Paine
- Beverly McNamara

Architecture: Dan Neff, Chair

- Mark Sammons
- Jake Hurwitz
- Gene Gieseler

Landscape: Joey Barbee, Chair

- Mark Sammons
- Mike Sharpless
- Mary Steffenson
- Lee Strang
- Doreen Frankel
- Karen Satterfield
- Jean Paine
- Carolyn Neff
- Marion Taylor

Pools: Mike Wattis, Chair

- Eric Wager
- Mary Steffenson
- David Holter
- Marti Greason
- Jan Sikora-Lerch

Light bulbs: Jean Paine, Chair

- Campbell: Jean Paine
- Pueblo: Terry Temple & Dan Bares
- Maria: Marti Greason & Olive Mondello
- Adelita & Cerrada Adelita:
- Eric & Jeannie Wager (West) Gail Reich (East)
- Posada E.: Marianne Van Zyll
- Posada W.: Russ & Glenda Melin
- Minera: Pat Weigand & Gene Gieseler
- Caballo & Cerrada Caballo: Marti Greason

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- Editor*: Connie Church

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