



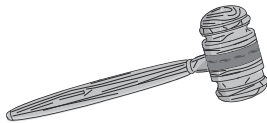
Saguaro News

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FROM THE BOARD

It is so good to see everyone, leaseholders and renters, returning to the Co-op after their summer travels. Some of us didn't travel far because of gas prices. We hope your travels weren't too abbreviated.

After the March newsletter, Board member Terry Kriesel resigned. They will be traveling for two years. We all wish Terry and Carol safe and happy travels. To fill the vacancy, the Board appointed Dick Burnside. Please welcome him as the newest member of your Board.

The monsoons caused quite a bit of damage in the wash to our north. At one point the water was coming over the bridge to the storage area. The expenses to repair all the damage will be detailed at the first Board meeting along with pictures.

You will already have noticed the paving on all of the roads. Roger and his crew of volunteers did this all and saved us lots of money. Please thank Roger and his crew for their good work.

In the paragraphs above you will notice the words BOARD and VOLUNTEERS. We encourage you to come to the Board meetings. Please get your information directly from the Board meeting. You don't have to stay for the whole meeting if you don't want. If you wish to bring up a subject just write your Board secretary giving your subject and that you want to speak. This is your Board, please come and see it in action. If a subject is being discussed and you want to add something you can hold up your hand to be recognized after all Board members have spoken.

Speaking of the Board, we need YOU to become a candidate for election to the Board. If you have an opinion about how things should be run, then you need to get on the Board so your ideas can be considered. The Board meets twice a month from Oct. through March. VOLUNTEER to run for a seat on the Board.

We also need you to VOLUNTEER to become a member of the many committees that keep the Co-op running. If we had to pay someone to do all the things that volunteers do around here, none of us could afford to live here. Part of your obligation as a leaseholder is to volunteer, please do your part.

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Deadline is the 15th of each month.

Remember, this is your Co-op, participation comes with the privilege of living here. Come to the Board meetings. Become a candidate for election to the Board. Volunteer to be a member of committees.

If you want information ask at Chat with the Board. Don't think the gossip you hear over the coffee table, the pool table, the card table, or in the exercise room is fact.

Charlotte Hoelzel
Board Secretary

THE OFFICE MANAGER'S CORNER:

*Mary Cleveland,
Office Manager*



Rain, Rain go away, so our friends will come back and stay. Gas prices are going down, water table is going up, valley is green (5th wettest monsoon on record). What more can you ask for?

Thanks to you who have been here and kept us company. Welcome back to our new arrivals. Hurry back the rest of you. Your office staff awaits your arrival.

We rented all but 3 of our long term sites for this season and there are 417 on our Hot List as of 9/14/06. Thanks to all of our Leaseholders and Guests for making our park so inviting and wonderful.

You'll notice that Roger along with volunteers have done a wonderful job on sealing our roads and dry camp area, give them all a hand. Roger has asked that you be patient with the storage area, the rain and the wash have put a damper on the progress.

We are sorry to say that Frank is no longer working here at the park. He will be missed, especially his sense of humor. Please join us in wishing him and his wife health and happiness. The office has his address and number if you would like to contact him to have him do anything for you personally or just to say thanks.



NEW LEASEHOLDERS

- March:** Bill & Donna Walker - # 294
- April:** Jim & Beverly Crawford - #108
- May:** Stephen Bufty & Donna Patton - # 233
William & Vivian Smith – Lot # 149
Jim & Lynda Markwood - # 126
Ray Hippe & Margaret Bosch - # 156
Tony With - # 250
Gerald & Susan LeRoy - # 299
Don & Barbara Edmunds - # 180
- June:** Jim & Patty Welty - # 153
- September:** Roger & Liz Kurtz - # 279

LOT TRADES

- April:** Robert & Virginia Huntley from Lot # 156 to Lot # 137
- May:** Tom & Carol Bezdeka from Lot # 149 to Lot # 177
Dick & Pat Johnson from Lot # 250 to Lot # 275
Daniel & Jeanette Wainwright from Lot # 250 to Lot # 251
Bud & Faye Bragg from Lot # 180 to Lot # 86

LEFT THE PARK

- March:** Worth & Virginia Vest of Lot # 294
- April:** Richard & Lynn Brecht of Lot # 108
Mark Day of Lot # 137
- May:** Larry & Gail Rubino of Lot # 233
Chick & Sally Mc Geoch of Lot # 177
Peggy Tisdale of Lot # 275
Dorothy Wirt of Lot # 86 – Deceased
Rod & Lorraine Martin of Lot # 126
Ferne Jordan of Lot # 299
- June:** Bernard Pierson of Lot # 153



Mark your Calendar

Entertainment and Events Schedule

October 2006 – March 2007

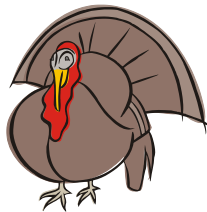
October

- 21 Elliots 7pm - 9pm
- 28 Tom Chesnut 6pm - 9pm



November

- 4 Salt Creek Blue Grass Band
7pm - 9pm
- 11 Yard sale 8am - 1pm
- 12 Jim and Laur Hartman
Country Contemporary 7pm - 9pm
- 18 Partners 6pm - 9pm



December

- 2 Christmas Lunch and Auction 1:00am
- 3 Partners 6-9
- 9 Christmas Party
Finger foods - 6:15pm, Chorus - 7pm
- 13 St. David Chorus
- 22 Christmas Carols - 7pm
- 24 Brown Bag Party - 7pm
- 25 Christmas dinner
- 31 New Years Eve Party
8:30pm – 12:30am



January

- 11 Elliots 7pm - 9pm
- 12 Vegas Day (More info later)
- 13 40 Fingers Concert 7pm
- 19 Klass Act 6pm - 9pm
- 27 Jim and Laur Hartman
Country, Contemporary 7pm - 9pm

February

- 8 Variety show
- 10 Salt Creek Blue Grass Band
7pm - 9pm
- 14 Valentines Dance
Tom Chesnut 6pm - 9pm
- 17 Ron and Opal Erickson
Branson entertainment
7pm - 9pm
- 24 Partners 6pm - 9pm



March

- 3 Hawaiian Day (More info. later)
- 3 Tom Chesnut 6pm - 9pm
- 10 Saguaro Players Drama
7pm
- 17 St Patrick's Day
Entertainment
Elliots 7pm - 9pm
- 24 Chorus Spring Show 7pm

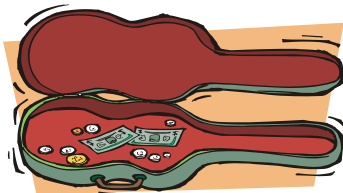


TIP POLICY

We pay a generous fee for most of our entertainments. We DO NOT put out the tip jar.

We are very fortunate to have several entertainers who come for tips only or free. We DO put out the tip jars for them if they wish. Molly &/or Pat will start the tip jars around so you will know when we need to show our appreciation.

One of our PAID entertainers puts out their own tip jar.
Tip only if you wish. They are paid well.



?????? Pat B. #136/9207 Mollie #293

Home on the Range

by Sylvia Burnside

You've been gone a long time. Welcome home. You missed a good summer, with only a few 100° days...mostly in the 90s and plenty of monsoon weather. Today, September 3rd, it's overcast and we are experiencing the dying breaths of Hurricane John, out on the Baja peninsula, in the form of a pretty good rain.

It's been wet enough to have mold bothering the allergy sufferers, and we have little bugs around the plants that I haven't seen before, as well as mosquitoes. We also had a hatching of huge multicolored caterpillars, so numerous as to be literally all over the roads! They will soon become butterflies to admire.

When people leave here they find that they have plants that they've taken care of all winter...who are they going to leave them with for the summer, as they would like to have them back for another season when they return? I don't mind baby sitting plants. They make my yard look prettier if they live, and if they don't, I have no guilty feelings. There's a limit, of course. I try to keep the plants looking alive and healthy. I also have had to water a number of lots that people have requested that I water. Haven't had to do it much for the past few weeks, as we've had enough water to sustain this desert. Fortunately we've had the use of a borrowed golf cart. I know the walking would have done me good, but from one end of the Park to the other?

The laugh has been on me this year. For two winters I have nursed along a mesquite tree, which I rescued from under Nancy Pasquan's lovely Chilean Mesquite. I decided, when it got big enough to put in the ground, that I was not going to use it and persuaded Bill and Lynn Lawrence that they needed this tree...really two trees planted together. I had plans to twist them together to make an interesting tree. Of course I would take care of the tree for the summer.

Having nursed the little trees for two winters, and having planted them carefully in the Lawrence's yard, I was incensed to find that they both turned into common Birds of Paradise, with huge lovely blossoms! What nerve they had to masquerade as mesquite trees! I could not appreciate this gaudy display! I hope a heaven for Birds of Paradise will appreciate them. I will replace them with a bona fide mesquite tree (thorns and all), if this little one that I am now nursing survives for another couple of months.

How could I have been so naive about the "trees?" It is hard to tell a Bird of Paradise from a mesquite when they are little. However, I will know them now. The Bird of Paradise unfurls its leaves like a fern, and the mesquite puts out branching leaves. It's all in looking carefully while learning about the place in which we live.



Tips from the Top of the Hill

by Al MacDiarmid

<http://del.icio.us/amacd> is a site that has tips that I have collected. The site is a place to save bookmarks that others can enjoy as well as have access from other computers. I have started collecting computer tips and photography tips. It has an RSS feed if you want to keep updated on additions. You can use key words to categorize your bookmarks.



If you want a good site on security, go to: http://www.techsupportalert.com/best_computer_security_sites.htm It contains all sorts of info and links to spyware, adware, and what the author calls scumware. There is a link that names about 100 sites that disguise themselves as help sites. Check it out.



“BUZZ” AROUND THE PARK

by “Buzz” Tail

Notes and happenings in and around your SKP Saguaro Co-op. Send your entries to “Buzz” at: **SaguaroNews@Escapees.Com** Be sure to put “Saguaro News” in the subject line (it’ll get you through the Editor’s SPAM filter.) **“Buzz”**



Thank You

I would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, flowers and support during Bob's passing in August. I cannot find the words to express how truly grateful I am to all those who helped me get through this difficult period. Thank you all so very much.

Helen Skowronski, Lot 151



The **2nd Annual Xmas Auction** will be held on December 2, 2006, with lunch at noon, and auction to follow.

Please donate NEW ITEMS only to Carol Need, Lot #30.

Last year was a great success, let's make this one ever better!

Sandy Mueller



Cactus Wrens Membership Meeting will be held at 3PM on the 2nd Thursday in October, which is October 12th. NOTE TIME CHANGE.



Please try to attend. Important issues will be discussed.

Sandy Mueller

FROM THE ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE REMINDER TO ALL LEASEHOLDERS

A permit is required before making any improvements to your lot, small or large, which will be included in the future sale of your lot. Permits are also requested for all CHANGES to lots and/or buildings. This includes flag poles, antennae and outside lights.

The permit needs to be signed by TWO Committee members. If you plan to be reimbursed for the improvement, you will need to have the permit and the cost receipt(s) in your file.

Permits can be obtained from any Committee member and a list is posted on the Clubhouse bulletin board.

This does not include routine maintenance items such as painting, caulking, etc., which are not reimbursable, but still are necessary to do.

Please remember to keep your files and receipts up-to-date.

The Committee thanks you!



YARD SALES AND CRAFT SALE!!!!

Nov. 11, from 8am - 1pm will be the annual Fall park-wide yard and craft sale. Collect items to sell on your lot during the yard sale or join with a neighbor in a sale. Watch for sign up sheets in the Clubhouse to help with the sale. We will need people to distribute signs to businesses in the community; people to put up signs on street corners; people to help sell items in the clubhouse people to man the entrance to the park and into the storage area. Other miscellaneous jobs may come up, too. Remember the date...Nov. 11 and get sale items ready.

Thank you, Carol Rucks #42