

January 2012

## Outgoing President's Message

By Tom Cooke

After five-and-a-half years as your HOA president, I asked the Board at the organizational session following our annual meeting to elect another Board president. I am a strong believer in the concept that organizations need a periodic change in leadership to bring a fresh perspective and a different viewpoint. Your Board elected Eric Ellingson as president, and he will have our strong support. Eric is a long time resident in Esperanza Estates, knows the subdivision well, and will be an excellent leader for our HOA.

It has been a pleasure and an honor to have served as your HOA president these past years. With an excellent Board of Directors, and with the help of our volunteer committees, we have been able to accomplish a great deal. We built and outfitted the Ramada, completed extensive work on the swimming pool and spa including converting both to a salt-water system,

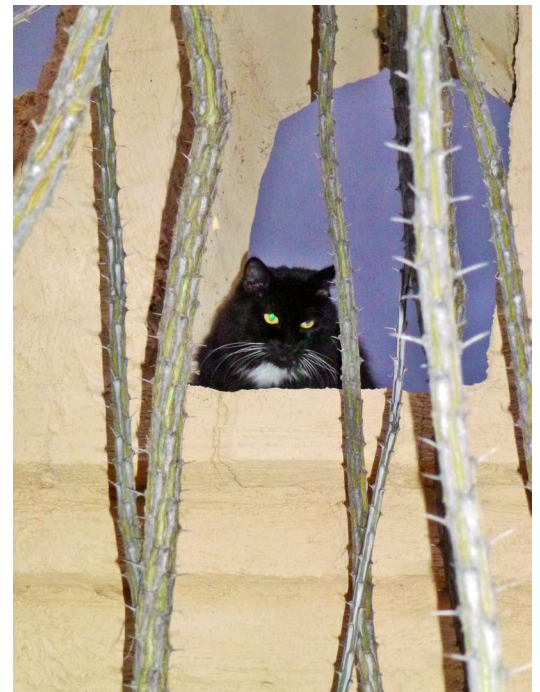
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## Photo of the Month

*Congratulations to Bill Berdine for his "Roof Cat" photo. (An intriguing idea for decorating a belltower!)*

*To enter the monthly contest, submit up to three digital photos taken around EE during the past year. There's no limit on subject matter: flora, fauna, mountains, sunsets, etc..*

*Deadline for the next contest: February 17th. You may submit your entry/ies to Denise Roessle (droessle@mac.com) as an email attachment, or save them on a CD and deliver it to 801 Napa.*



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found a permanent resurface for the tennis/pickleball court, changed out all of the streetlamp heads, implemented an outstanding website and a Wi-Fi zone, and undertook many smaller projects — all important, and all with no dues increase.

I can't thank our Board and our volunteers enough for all of the help, dedication, hours, and the day-by-day caring that have given all of us so much these past years. I fully expect it will continue in the future— with even more vigor than we have seen. A special thanks to my wife, Melodye, without whose help the job would not have been possible.

With as many owners as we have in Esperanza Estates, there can be differences in practice and feelings about the way things ought to be done. But with the generosity and spirit of good neighbors working toward the same end, those differences can be overcome. That is why your Board of Directors has chosen to govern lightly, and by consensus, rather than dictate. I have every confidence this will continue under Eric's leadership.

A "swan song" is a metaphorical phrase for a final gesture. This last column marks mine, and my wish for Eric's successful term as your HOA president. I bid you an affectionate farewell.



*Boyd Morse leads the Annual Meeting crowd in appreciating Tom Cooke for his service as HOA president.*

## Board Meetings

Feb. 20, Mar. 19,  
April 16, May 21,  
June 18  
1:00 p.m.  
Sunset Ramada

Board member list &  
meeting minutes available  
at <http://esperanzaestates.net>

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## From New President, Eric Ellingson

**M**y personal thanks and appreciation to Tom for an excellent job as Association President. I am especially grateful to Tom for agreeing to hold the Vice-President position and I see this as an enormous benefit to me as I try to learn a new job. We have a first class board with a wide range of experience and skills. Each member has volunteered to serve the homeowners with the objective of making our life experience here in Esperanza Estates as enjoyable and trouble free as possible. While Tom has left the Association in extremely good condition there are a number of challenges and opportunities facing us that could result in further improvements to our quality of life. With the help of the homeowners and the board I hope to be able to pursue those challenges and opportunities in a way that will make Esperanza Estates an even better place to live. I ask for your patience and indulgence while I learn this new position.

## Highlights of the Annual Meeting

The Periodico staff attended the Annual Meeting of the EEHOA and is providing these highlights of items that we believe may be of interest to residents who did not attend. Official minutes of the meeting will be posted on the EE website at [esperanzaestates.net](http://esperanzaestates.net), and we encourage you to read them.

- Carl Schuster and Jack Ernest of GVC presented an overview of GVC's purpose, structure and accomplishments.
- Dean Hess, Stacie Meyer and Joan Moreaux were elected to the Board.
- The proposal to amend the CC&Rs regarding paint colors failed to obtain the 179 votes need to pass. 148 votes were cast in favor and 62 were opposed. A committee of interested homeowners has been formed to pursue the question of new colors.
- Dean Hess reported that he had discovered that the landscape maintenance contractor had not provided eight of the work days required by its contract last year. These days will be made up this year.
- Boyd Morse will be doing the weed spraying in the common areas, and homeowners should call him if they have any questions or concerns about the spraying. The Board will notify homeowners before the spraying begins.
- The Board is investigating the feasibility of constructing a restroom and storage facility at the tennis/pickleball courts. Planning is still at a very preliminary stage, and the Board will discuss the matter at an open Board meeting before any action is taken.
- The Board has appointed a committee to study potential solutions for noise reduction in the Ramada.
- Boyd Morse announced his plan to ask the Board to designate a specific company as the recommended trash hauler for EE, although residents would not be obligated to hire that company. He explained that the company would agree to pick up trash one day a week and provide service equal to or better than what we have now at a substantially reduced rate.



*At the Annual Meeting Craig Surprise, Kathy Sawin, Barb McCalpin, and Steve "Stoney" Brown (who recently moved to Colorado) were honored for their valuable contributions to EE. Commemorative bricks will be installed at Sunset Ramada.*

## Second Annual EE Dessert Buffet

Sunday, January 29th • 6 p.m.

Sunset Ramada

Tickets: \$5.00

Includes unlimited sampling of desserts, coffee and tea.

An old-fashioned “cake walk” will be held, with delectable baked goods as prizes. Raffle tickets (\$1 each or 6 for \$5) will be available for a chance to win this Italian-themed goodie “bucket.”



Tickets are available at EE events during January or by calling Linda Winterland (396-3807) or Sandy Oster (625-0039).

Please also call if you would like to donate a favorite dessert or baked good.

## Happy Birthday, Arizona!

Tuesday, February 14th

3:30 Ceremony at EE Park

followed by a Potluck at the Ramada

Arizona became a state on February 14, 1912, and Esperanza Estates will hold a celebration to mark the centennial. The festivities will start with a short ceremony at EE/Flag Park to unveil Kathy Sawin’s mosaic mural of the Arizona flag and the mosaic snake that many residents have been creating. Following the ceremony, a parade of golf carts, bicycles and pedestrians will wind its way through EE from the park to the Ramada. At the Ramada, we will enjoy a potluck dinner. Lillie Sheehan will then present a short history of Arizona and Mary Hess will provide a musical program. (You may drop off your potluck dish at the Ramada prior to the ceremony.)

Dig out your western wear or period costumes for the occasion. Decorate your golf cart or bicycle for the parade. Come join the community celebration!



## Coffee & Donuts

Join your neighbors the third Wednesday of each month, 8:30 a.m., at the Ramada, for complimentary coffee and donuts.

## EE Database Administrator: Cheri Day

The EE Database Administrator is an unsung hero of the EE volunteer corps. In fact, many residents are probably unaware that there even is an EE database let alone knowing the hours of detail oriented work needed to keep it up to date. Nevertheless, Cheri Day has cheerfully agreed to take on the job, starting at the end of January.

The Database Administrator keeps our database up to date by recording the frequent changes reported by Neighborhood Watch Block Captains and changes on homeowners' compliance forms. The Database Administrator then uses the information to produce updated Neighborhood Watch zone sheets, the mailing labels needed to send out the annual dues notice and Annual Meeting packages, the ballot tally sheets and check in sheets used for the Annual Meeting, and the EE phone and address directory.

Cheri's experience makes her highly qualified for this position. After graduating from the University of Maine with a degree in Psychology, she headed out to California and took courses (during the days of computer punch cards) at one of the many computer schools being established to supply the blossoming new computer industry. She then worked in computer programming for several different companies until her retirement in 2009. One of her most interesting jobs was with the State of Arkansas where she wrote the program used to calculate the Arkansas State Income Tax.

Cheri is no stranger to volunteer work. She volunteers with the Green Valley – Sahuarita Volunteer Clearing House, is a member of EE's Bienvenidos Committee and participated in the EE Art Walk in December.

When not residing in EE, Cheri and her husband Steve, a professional artist (see the April 2011 *Periodico* article), live in Taos, New Mexico.



*Steve, Cheri and Blanco*

In The Spotlight

## Documentary to Include EE Residents

Want to tell about your adventures, or a part of your life? Be in a documentary including some Esperanza residents to be shown in the spring at the Ramada. Everyone has a story.

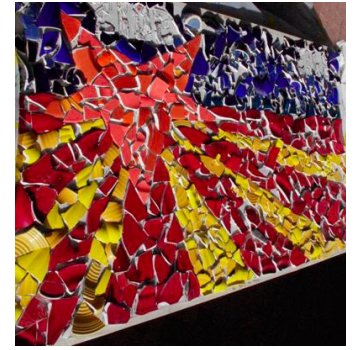
If you are interested in being a part of this project, contact:

*EE residents Paul and Becky McCreary  
at 970-596-1505 or [stay@mainstreethouse.com](mailto:stay@mainstreethouse.com)*



## Art Appreciation 101

The mosaic mural of the Arizona flag will shortly be installed in Esperanza Estates Park, and we expect many EE residents and visitors will view this work of art. The Periodico staff asked Kathy Sawin to give us a quick tutorial on what to look for to enhance our viewing experience.



- In the actual Arizona flag the star is centered. Following a classic principle of composition, however, Kathy decided not to place the focus of the piece in the middle.
- The multiple shades of orange in the mural cause the viewer's eye to move from one to another, breaking up the light and creating the impression that the object is shimmering.
- Why aren't the ceramic pieces flat? The raised pieces create shadows, making the mural appear to move and giving it greater depth.
- As you approach the piece from the distance, you will discover some hidden details which add interest to the mural. I'm keeping them a secret to give you the pleasure of finding them on your own.
- Notice the lighter blue pieces above the darker blue ones. Their purpose is to break up the dark blue and red, which are of equal color value.
- Kathy didn't just plunk the individual pieces down in a random way. She turned each one to a precise position to achieve the texture she wanted.

## EE Hikers



*Nineteen hikers enjoyed the first hike of EE Hikers' second year on January 2nd to the Crested Saguaro Cactus in the desert behind Esperanza Estates. If you are interested in joining them, call Marian Mundale, 625-2238.*

## Help us reach everyone in EE...

Do you have a neighbor who isn't receiving the Periodico because they don't have a computer? Please let us know — Denise Roessle, 399-3312, droessle@mac.com — and we will add them to our delivery list. Or offer to pick up a copy for them at the Ramada.

## EE's Centennial Project in Progress



*Tiling at the Ramada*



*"Glue man" Al Prato*

# Around Esperanza



*Installation of the snake tiles begins at EE Park*

## The Battle Against Bufflegrass



*Dean Hess points out bufflegrass near the arroyo. He has a plan to help combat further invasion.*

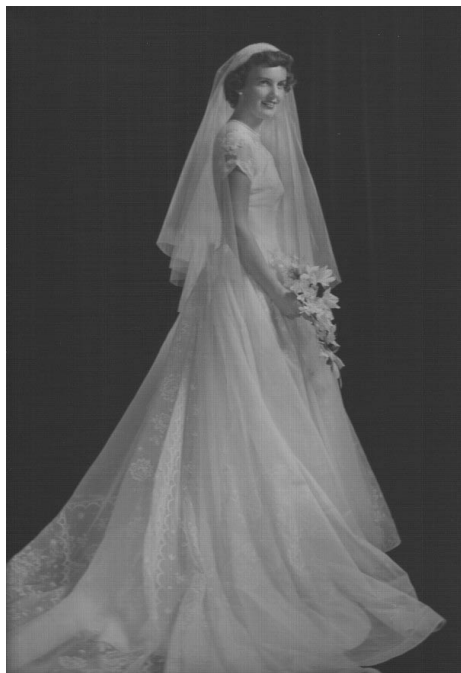
### Welcome New Owners

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## Wedding Gowns of Esperanza Brides

When Prince William and Kate Middleton married in April 2011, the talk among wedding aficionados was all about Kate's gown. That interest inspired the Periodico staff to wonder what some of our EE residents wore years ago on their special day. So, here come the EE brides from the 1930s to the early 1980s. Warning – keep your hankie handy!

*More brides on next page...*



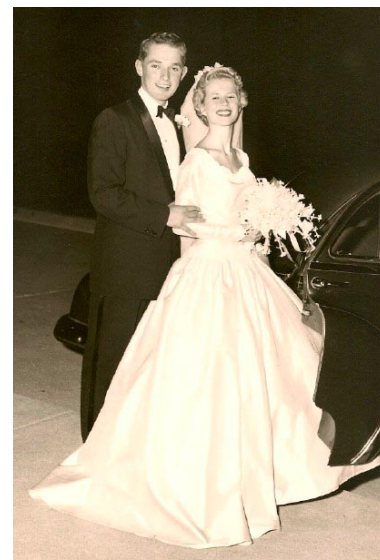
*Nancy Moore, 1952*



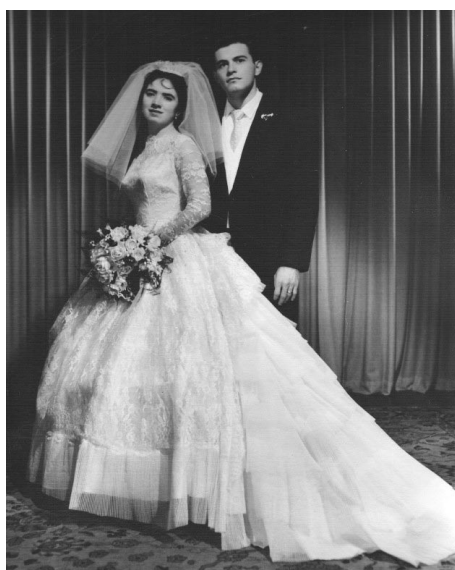
*Dorothy and Fred Sharpe, 1939*



*Lois Blacker, 1945*



*Geri and Jim Lindberg, 1955*



*Edna and Frank Carella, 1959*



*Barb McCalpin, 1961*



*Joanne and Chris Amoroso, 1958*



*Jane and Eric Ellingson, 1957*



## Wedding Gowns

Continued



Mona Sheffield, 1960



Joan and Ed Moreaux,  
1974



Denise and Henry Roessle,  
1982 (Denise is wearing  
her mother's "going away"  
dress from 1949.)

## Your First Television

One of the most fascinating aspects of living in EE is listening to people reminisce about their childhood experiences. At the December Coffee and Donuts, the Periodico staff asked attendees "Do you remember your first television set?" Here are some of their responses. We hope they bring back fond memories for you.



Lois Blacker purchased her first TV. in 1954. It was small enough to fit on the counter between the living room and the kitchen. There was a lot of snow on the screen.

Tom Cooke first saw a TV set in 1952. The set was on display in a department store window in Spokane, Washington, and Tom was ecstatic at the thought of free movies. In 1955 his family purchased a 21-inch cabinet model with rabbit ears. There were only three channels, and at 11:00 p.m. the station played the National Anthem followed by the test pattern. Some of Tom's favorite shows were Howdy Doody, Flip the Frog, and Crusader Rabbit. Before television his family would gather around the radio and listen to The Lone Ranger, One Man's Family, The Shadow, The Great Gildersleeve and Stella Dallas.

Gail and Keith Keller bought their first TV in 1952. They invited friends who didn't have sets over on Saturday nights to eat pizza and watch Saturday Night Wrestling.

Greg Gramsted's family bought their first TV around 1953. Greg enjoyed Howdy Doody and Pinky Lee. Greg also liked Spike Jones, who had a band and shot pistols during the performance.

Bruce Liljegren's 10th birthday was made special because his parents rented a TV for his party. Bruce remembers watching Captain Video.

Cynthia Gates remembers watching TV in Northern Vermont in 1949. There was only one channel, and it broadcast in French from Canada. Cynthia's father would watch hockey on the television while listening to it in English on the radio.

Marian Mundale grew up in a rural area of Minnesota and didn't watch television until she went to college. On Sunday nights, her family gathered around the radio to listen to Amos & Andy and Dragnet while eating popcorn made from goose lard. Marian believes the radio is good for developing an imagination.

Jim Lindberg watched television at his friends' homes while he was in grade school. He remembers the old Zenith with the round screen. Without a TV at home, Jim and his sister would lie on the floor and listen to the radio. Superman was his favorite.

Kathy Sawin remembers first watching in 1948. Some of her favorites were Lucille Ball, Milton Berle, Gunsmoke, Have Gun Will Travel, and Dave Garroway on The Today Show. TV parties were popular.

Kay Miller remembers Elvis's first appearance on The Ed Sullivan Show.

## Actress Laura Dern Played My Mother

By Mary Hess

Laura Dern played my mother, Dortha Schaefer, in a movie that was released in 2006. It never made much of a splash, running mostly in art theaters around the country for a couple of weeks. Yet the experience of seeing aspects of my life being immortalized in a book and eventually a Hollywood film probably qualifies loosely under our Periodico category of “fifteen minutes of fame.” So here’s the story.

Author Terry Ryan’s book, “The Prizewinner of Defiance, Ohio,” was released in April of 2001, to much excitement in northwest Ohio. A memoir, Ryan describes her experiences growing up in a large family headed by a father with a drinking problem and a mother with enough spunk and resourcefulness to thrive in spite of him.

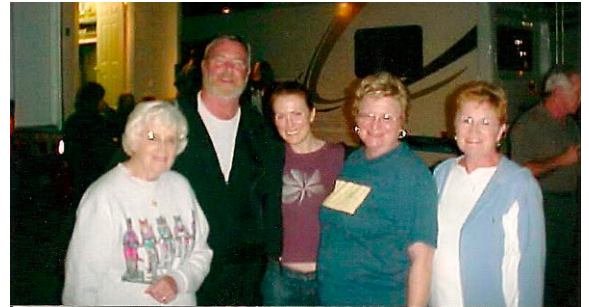
It was a time in the 50’s and 60’s when hobbyists wrote jingles, coined phrases and otherwise dazzled judges with their language prowess to win cash, cars and other valuable prizes. Mom and Evelyn were “contesters” who organized a club to help and encourage others to join in the fun. When Terry wrote her book after her mother died, she consulted with my mother to clarify details of the “skill contesting era,” and Mom was featured prominently in the story.

After the book was published, CBS news brought a camera crew to the family farm house and interviewed Mom for a story on Mother’s Day. A screen writer visited my parents to research the film project on location. The Defiance and Toledo newspapers interviewed Mom for feature articles. Strangers called on the telephone to comment on the book. Life for my family became a series of moments in the spotlight, reaching a high when we were invited to Toronto, Ontario, to spend two days on the movie set.

Julianne Moore and Woody Harrelson were there, cast as Evelyn and Kelly Ryan. Teenage actors Ellary Porterfield and Trevor Morgan, playing Terry and Bruce Ryan, were also there to film scenes, along with a gaggle of child actors who played the other Ryan children at various ages of their lives. We had a wonderful time, though I must say Woody Harrelson is a most unique personality. He traversed the set on a Segway, and the outside of his travel trailer was decorated with nude murals. Julianne was incredibly warm and charming, greeting everyone with hugs. Her trailer was decorated with her children’s drawings.

We were in the audience the weekend the movie premiered in Defiance. I was surprised to see a young actress playing teenager me, a wordless cameo requiring her to fold laundry while her little brothers crashed around in the background. The filmmakers got that part right.

Every now and then someone comes along who has actually read the book or seen the movie, and it is a joy to be able to share details of our experiences. Mom is fond of saying she “basks in the reflected glory of Evelyn Ryan’s fame.” But for us, the real blessing was being part of the process. It lifted us out of our ordinary days.



*At the “wrap party” in Toronto: Dortha Schaefer, Dean Hess, Julianne Moore, Mary Hess, Garnett Beagle (Mary’s sister).*

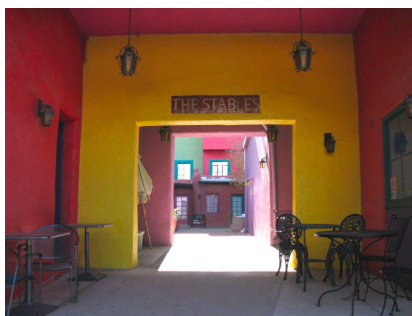
## Day Trips in Southern Arizona

Looking for new places to visit or take your guests after you've seen all the major local attractions? Here's one that might fit the bill. We'll feature others in future Periodicos and welcome suggestions from our readers.

### TUCSON'S TURQUOISE TRAIL

Officially known as the Presidio Trail, the Turquoise Trail is a 2.5 mile long loop trail through downtown Tucson. It highlights 23 structures and sites of historical interest, including restored vaudeville theaters, historical homes, a "wishing" shrine and an archaeological dig revealing remnants of the original adobe-walled city from the late 1700s. The trail's nickname comes from the turquoise stripe on the sidewalk that marks the route. It's similar to Boston's Freedom Trail but with better weather.

A free map and guide are available at the Tucson Visitors Center, 100 S. Church Ave. (open Mon.- Fri. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Sat. & Sun. 9 a.m.-4 p.m.) or at [www.tucsonaz.gov/planning/resources/publications/turquoisetrail.pdf](http://www.tucsonaz.gov/planning/resources/publications/turquoisetrail.pdf)



### EE Name Badges Available

Name badges for Ramada gatherings are available for \$6.00 each. The badges are plastic with a magnet (not advisable for those with pacemakers) and will have the name of the individual and their street name. They can be kept at the Ramada to be used for every occasion. The profits from sales will go to the Enhancement Team. If you would like to order a badge, contact Melody Cooke: 399-0455 or [melody1@cox.net](mailto:melody1@cox.net).



### In Memoriam

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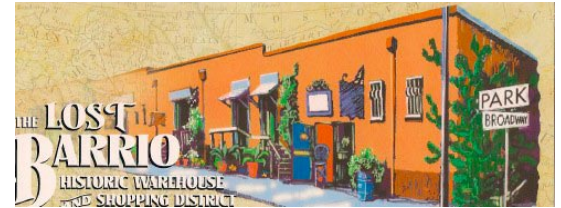
Tickets are available at the Green Valley Chamber of Commerce,  
275 W. Continental Road

# Adventures in Southwest Shopping

By Cynthia Surprise

Searching for home décor to reflect your Arizona lifestyle? There are a great number of places in Tucson to look for furniture and accessories with southwestern flair. Here are my favorites. Let me know yours.

**The Lost Barrio.** This is Tucson's historic warehouse shopping district and includes a number of fascinating shops selling rustic furniture, Talavera, lighting, fine custom furniture, art, accessories, rugs, etc. After you shop, have lunch at Tooley's Cafe. 200 S. Park Ave. (south of Broadway). [lostbarriotucson.com](http://lostbarriotucson.com).



**Borderlands Outlet Store.** Everything you can imagine for Mexican decor: rustic pine, mesquite and painted wood furniture, Talavera pottery, lighting, folk art, mirrors, glassware and a lot more. A fun store to visit and the prices are good. 301 E. 7th Street (between 4th Avenue and 5th Avenue). [borderlandstrading.com](http://borderlandstrading.com).

**HomeStyle Galleries.** A fabulous consignment store that carries a large variety of furniture styles. Two locations in Tucson: 1010 S. Wilmot Rd. (Wilmot & 22nd Street) and 2950 W. Ina Rd. (Ina & Shannon). [homestylegalleries.com](http://homestylegalleries.com).

**Southwest Canyon Creations.** This store offers furniture in a variety of different Southwestern, Mexican, Western, and rustic styles. They will also do custom design work if you don't find what you want in the showroom. 5458 E. Pima St. (corner of Pima & Craycroft). [swcanyoncreations.com](http://swcanyoncreations.com).

**Tres Amigos.** Probably the best know store in Tucson for rustic pine, Southwest and Spanish Colonial style furniture and accessories. Three locations in Tucson: 5975 East Broadway Rd., 6431 N. Thornydale Rd., and 4443 East Speedway. [tresamigosworldimports.com](http://tresamigosworldimports.com).

**Picante Designs.** A small shop with a large selection of oilcloth, paper flowers, home furnishings, mirrors, nichos, ceramic figures, and clothing. 2932 East Broadway. [picantetucson.com](http://picantetucson.com).

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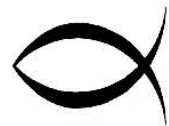
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