October 2010

Periodico de Esperanza



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President's Message

One of the things we all look forward to in the fall months is the re-birth of the Hospitality Committee's schedule of events. It generally begins with the Labor Day potluck — a huge success this year — and follows with the monthly Hamburger Nights, plus regular parties to celebrate the major holidays. Our Ramada is a splendid place to hold these events, and our Committee works hard to plan and put them on for us. There is a lot involved in these events, and we are indeed lucky to have volunteer members of our Committee who are willing to do it. Be sure and thank them for all of their hard work.

The first Hamburger Night was held Tuesday evening, October 12, and was attended by about 50 people. These events are very social, with a great burger, and a lot of fun. If you are not attending these, try one out. We think you will become a regular. They are generally held the second Tuesday of each month.

Inside this issue of the Periodico you will find a trivia contest put together by our editor, Denise Roessle. If you enter and win, you will get a free ticket to a future Hamburger Night. The contest is fun and a challenge — but the answers are easy to find with readily available sources, and use of any reference material is permitted. Use google, ask a neighbor, look it up in a book, or whatever. Just enter!

The next event on the calendar is the big Halloween Party, coming up on October 31. This will be a first for the Committee, and should be a great time. Costumes are optional, but there are prizes for the best man's and woman's costume. There will be karaoke, a fortune teller, eats and drinks, and much more. It will be a pot luck, so bring your favorite appetizer to share. Hospitality will provide drinks of all types, ice, glasses, etc. We hope to see you there.

Other social events will follow, and we try and announce them as far in advance as we can. Watch for details in the Monday Morning Memo.

Be sure and welcome back our winter visitors when you see them.

Enjoy Esperanza!

Thank you, Joe & Barb!

The Hospitality Committe thanks Joe and Barb McCalpin for donating tablecloth clips and the Halloween decorations for our upcoming party.



Happy 60th Anniversary to Don & Joan White!

Board Meetings 2010-2011

Nov. 15, Dec. 20, Jan. 17, Feb. 21, Mar. 21, Apr. 18, May 16, June 20

Board meeting minutes are posted at www.esperanzaestates.net

Committee Reports...

Common Areas

Steve "Stoney" Brown

We had an above-average monsoon this year and along with it came the worst crop of weeds we have seen in a few years. Fortunately, we have been able to gradually get them under control with a program of herbicide spray, weed burning, and mechanical control — a fancy way of saying that we just pulled a lot of them.

There are still a few areas of concern, but we are gradually coming to grips with those remaining. We had help from a number of people who sprayed portions of the common areas around their homes, and we are always thankful for the help. Lothar Koenigs, Rich Ramirez, and Shura Wallin gave us a boost in the spray department, and we thank them very much for that. And as always, Bob Hunton pitched in, too. There may well be others who helped that we don't know about, and if so, we extend them thanks as well.

More sand washed down onto Portillo and lower Napa this year than we have seen in a few years. A couple of our volunteers, Jerry and Delores McCall, helped us out several times in removing it. Calls to Pima County for help fell on deaf ears. We have to be our own resource to get this done after the monsoon rains; we can't realistically expect help from the County.

We are seeing a lot of ant activity recently, as the ants apparently get ready for winter. Please call with information about any problems around your areas, so they can be eradicated. Ants and kangaroo rats cause us more common area problems than any other source of difficulty we have.

Most of our parks need a trim, which is being arranged through our contract landscapers. This will be accomplished over the next few months.

As always, if you observe problems in the common areas, call 648-7235, or 399-0455.



Enhancement Committee

Barb McCalpin

After our summer hiatus and the return of our winter residents, the Enhancement Committee will be swinging into full gear. We will hold at least one fundraising event, as well as our usual Ramada Sale in March. To make good use of our funds, we have a list of worthwhile projects for the betterment of our community under consideration for the season. If you have any suggestions, we would be happy to add them to the list.

We have a great committee, but we can always use more help both in our fundraising activities and in the execution of our projects for the year. We welcome new members. Also, we occasionally need the use of a truck to move large items (not very often). If you would like to participate in either of these two ways, please call Barb McCalpin at 867-8067.

The Periodico Needs You! Charl Petry

If you enjoy a short walk and meeting your EE neighbors, please consider joining the Periodico Delivery Team. Territories are made up of 25 or fewer homes, requiring just a half-hour a month (usually during the last week). Substitute volunteers are also needed when a regular deliverer is away. Won't you join us? Call Charl Petry at 648-2541.

Coffee & Donuts: Nov. 10th

Join your neighbors at the Ramada at 8:00 p.m., usually every second Wednesday of the month. This is a hosted event, so there is no charge. Just come and enjoy!

... and Announcements

Green Valley Community Coordinating Council

Joe McCalpin

The October 21st GVCCC meeting was held at the West Center to accommodate the people wanting to hear Governor Jan Brewer and Representative Gabrielle Giffords.

President's Report: There have been round table discussions with the Pima County Executive and the Department Heads to address issues affecting Green Valley. These meetings will be followed by departmental level meetings. The Committee will notify us of the schedule for these meetings.

Fire Chief's Report: It is *strongly* suggested that everyone change the batteries in all smoke detectors bi-annually.

Continental School District Report: A request was made for support of bond issues 405 & 406 to increase the district's funding due to an expanding student population.

First VP's Report: The Community Services Committee Hazard Material & Dispose-A-Med programs took in 5 tons of material and 500 pounds of outdated drugs.

Traffic and Arroyos Committee reported that the mess at I-10 and Continental will actually be completed the first week in November. The county hired AAA Landscape to clean up the median strips on La Canada. They did a better job for the County than they did for EE.

Second VP's Report: The Health and Human Services Committee reported that there were 216 in home falls last year and they are trying to raise awareness of this issue which is endemic to a community like ours. They are applying for a grant for Safety and Health in Motion to work the problem.

The State of the State: Governor Brewer thinks that she has done a very good job.

The Border Security issue was addressed by Representative Giffords; she thinks that she has done a good job.

The audience was very polite and respectful except for one lady who was clearly insane.

Monday Morning Memo Status Report

Tom Cooke

For more than five years, our weekly newsletter, which we call the Monday Morning Memo has been sent out via email to keep our residents apprised of what is happening and upcoming events here in Esperanza Estates. It has proven to be highly successful, and currently has an address list of 260 households, more than three-quarters of EE.

However, Cox Cable, the internet service provider we have traditionally used, has recently adopted a new policy making it impossible to continue to send one email to that many addresses. Thus, for the past three weeks, transmission of the Memo has been hit or miss, and many regular subscribers have not been able to receive it. As a result, the Board is looking at the use of a commercial emailing service to use in the future. We hope to have the issue resolved in the next couple of weeks.

In the meantime, the Memo is always available at our website, www.esperanzaestates.net

Golfing Ladies

Marvol Barnard is considering organizing another women's golf outing (like the one we had two years ago this spring).

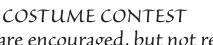
All levels of expertise are welcome. Fun is the goal! If you're interested in participating, please let her know: seagolfpro@juno.com or 648-5925.

Upcoming Events



HALLOWEEN PARTY

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31st
4:30 at the Sunset Ramada
Hospitality will provide all drinks.
Please bring your favorite appetizer/snack to share.



Costumes are encouraged, but not required. There will be a Costume Contest with prizes for the Best Dressed Man & Woman.





KARAOKE Patrick Carmody will provide music of the 50s, 60s & 70s.

PLUS A FORTUNE TELLER

You won't want to miss this fun evening!

HAMBURGER NIGHT: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9

4:30 Cocktails, 5:00 Grilling Begins · Sunset Ramada \$5.00 per person (hamburger, cheeseburger or veggie burger) Beer and mixes supplied





PEARL HABOR DAY POTLUCK: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7

5:00 at the Sunset Ramada Bring a special dish to share. Hospitality will provide beverages.

FOOD BANK DONATIONS: As usual, there will be a collection bin at all events held at the Sunset Ramada. Please help us support the local Food Bank by bringing a can of food or a non-perishable item.

Financial Facts... As of September 30, 2010

Joan Moreaux, Treasurer

Balance Sheet – Assets

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Total of 4 CDs 1 @ Chase Bank, 3 @ Washing Balance 8/31/10 September interest Balance 9/30/10	gton Federal Savings	\$67,559.18 <u>191.27</u> \$ 67,750.45
Accounts Receivable:		
2008 Special Assessment		\$165.00
2009 Dues		350.00
2010 Dues 1 @ 200.00, 1 @ 40.00	2010 Dues 1 @ 200.00, 1 @ 40.00. 1 @ 140.00	
Tree mistletoe removal 1 @ 300	0.00	<u>300 .00</u>
Total:		\$1,195.00
Property & Equipment		\$ 397,991.37
Add: 2010 Capital Work in Process		. ,
Ramada sun shades	\$2,988.00	
Pool Heater	2,800.00	
Pool & Spa replastering	14,939.77	
350 Post Lanterns	8,043.00	
Pool motor, salt cell, spa jets	1,474.42	
Pool Motor	<u>494.64</u>	\$30,739.83
Total:		\$ 425,589.04
We are under budget for the month of Septen	mber, 2010	\$1,776.29
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Full financial reports will be published semi-annually in the Periodico. Residents are welcome to reveiw financial reports at Board meetings. If you wish a copy of the current month financials, contact Joan Moreaux, Treasurer, at 648-7515.

Completed Sales

We are over budget for the year

Bruce & Judith Moulton 760 West Circulo Napa Lot #212

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The latest Periodico is posted at www.esperanzaestates.net along with photos & information about our community.

Please remember to pick up after your dogs!

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Lately, many EE residents have noticed that dog walkers are not picking up after their pets, as required by a County Ordinance. Please be considerate. Bring a plastic bag or other means of collection and use it, whether along the street, in the common areas, or in a private yard. Thank you!

Early Memories of Esperanza Estates

by Mary Hess

Less than a dozen residents of Esperanza Estates are the original owners of their properties. Kae Millington and Iona Davis are two of them. They have a 30-year perspective that is valuable — and downright entertaining.

Iona and her husband, Roy, settled here in 1982, moving from Arlington Heights, Illinois. She remembers a sleepy little town of 6,000 residents where she "read the telephone book" for something to do and golf carts were the primary mode of transportation. "Back then, traffic was not an issue and the winter folks used carts to get around, leaving their cars back home."

Kae and her husband, John, were the original occupants of a model unit on Placita Nueva, moving in from Pennsylvania in 1980. She remembers a community where residents got involved in the life of the neighborhood by serving on committees. "When new people moved in, they were given an interest survey, and if they didn't volunteer for a committee, they got assigned to one. As a result, many people took part who might not have otherwise."

Both women remember the flood that did major damage to the development in October



Kae and John Millington with Martha Blevins (center) celebrate a bridge win.

1983. Iona was visiting friends in Phoenix, and came home to a power outage and ruined bridges. She recalls properties were partially washed away along the south wash area.

Kae says that each home was assessed \$300 to correct drainage problems that contributed to the flood, and there have been no problems since.

Roy and Iona enjoyed their retirement years together in Arizona. As former airline employees, they knew the excitement of life abroad and the crush of business responsibilities. But EE offered a close-knit community and opportunities to serve. Iona recalls that her husband was the neighborhood handyman, called upon frequently for help with a variety of problems. "Once Roy received a phone call late at night asking him to go quiet a rowdy pool party. Some residents had visitors who got a little carried away. Of course he went, though he wasn't on the board nor had any official authority to act."

Since her husband's death, Iona has enjoyed the company of her sister in the winter months, and other family members visit from time to time.

Kae remembers a thriving bridge playing neighborhood. "We had two ladies' tables in each house every other Tuesday, with 80 participants. The men played at the same time, and there were about 40 of them. Thursday evening was couples bridge night. We kept track of scores and awarded prizes at a nice dinner party at the end of the season."

A special memory involves a hearing impaired couple whose primary language was American sign. "The bridge couples took sign language classes so we could communicate with them while we played cards. That was a great opportunity for everybody."

Kae also remembers the early days of women's fitness programs at the pool. The schedule included Jazzercise, Yoga and Water Aerobics, six days a week.



John Millington, Sarah Allen, Dorothy Green & Slim Allen enjoy some Halloween fun.

Seasonal parties were a favorite EE pastime. The Millingtons hosted the annual Halloween party for years, requiring that guests successfully bob for an apple to earn their refreshments. One special evening a pair of trick-or-treaters draped in sheets began knocking on doors and windows trying to spook their neighbors. The group quickly grew to 12 sheet-wrapped revelers, and they caused a stir. The next day, one of Kae's friends asked, "Did those people in sheets bother you last night?"

"No, not at all," she replied. "I was one of them!"

Both ladies were acquainted with Earl Whigham, who designed and built Esperanza Estates. Kae said the unique architecture was a major reason for their decision to buy a property in here. "These homes are exceptionally well built. It's a well known fact," she said.

There are several other original homeowners still residing in EE and we will be featuring some of them in future articles. If you are one and would like to share your memories, please feel free to contact Mary Hess at 398-4829.

Esperanza Estates is populated by many folks with interesting pasts and brushes with fame. If you know someone who would make an interesting profile, contact Denise Roessle, 399-3312, droessle@mac.com, who will turn you over to one of our talented EE "cub reporters" (Mary Hess and Cynthia Surprise). We welcome your suggestions!

Trivia Corner

Each month, we'll pose six trivia questions. To play, email your numbered answers, along with your name and phone number, to Denise Roessle at droessle@mac.com or drop them at 801 W. Circulo Napa. The entry with the most correct answers will win a free meal at the next hamburger night. In the likely case of a tie, all the top scoring entries will go into a drawing to determine the winner.

Note: It's okay to research the answers, whether on google, at the library, or by phoning a friend!

Last month's winner: Steve Brown, with all six answers correct! Congratulations, Stoney!

- 1. Arizona became a state in 1912
- 2. The capital of Arizona before Phoenix: Prescott
- 3. The city the train departed from in "3:10 to Yuma:" Contention City
- 4. Mentioned in the Eagles' hit, Take It Easy: Winslow
- 5. Actor killed in Florence in 1940: Tom Mix
- 6. Future U.S. president who in 1939 worked as a ranch hand on the J-Six Ranch near Benson: JFK

OCTOBER QUESTIONS

Deadline for entries: Friday, November 5th

1. Who is in the picture below with well-known orchestra leader and arranger, Larry Clinton (a former EE resident)?



- 2. What was Clinton's theme song, named for this pitcher's screwball pitch?
- 3. What radio legend returned to broadcasting to narrate TV's "The Untouchables?"
- 4. If you live in a gerontocracy, you are ruled by what?
- 5. In "The Wizard of Oz," what killed the Wicked Witch of the West's sister?
- 6. What South American country has the longest coastline?

October Mystery

GETTING A JOB THE HARD WAY

In a tight job market, three equally qualified men applied for the same position in a small California electronics business. The owner of the business could not decide which one to employ, so he devised a test to determine the men's reasoning powers. He blindfolded each man, put a small cross in black chalk on each man's forehead, and then told them: "You each have a white or black mark on your forehead. I will now take off your blindfolds, and if any of you see a black mark on another forehead stand up. When you can tell me the color on your own forehead, sit down and explain to me how you know your own color. The first man to do so has the job."

When the blindfolds came off, all the men stood, and after a few moments, one man sat, explained, and got the job.

What was his explanation?

The answer will appear in next month's Periodico, along with a new mystery. (You may want to keep this issue as reminder when you see the solution.) If you are unable to come to a satisfactory solution and can't stand the agony of a month's wait, you can call the "Puzzleman" (393-1427 or 648-0334). He may give you a further hint or two, but certainly not the answer.

Answer to last month's airport mystery:

The night watchman's statement that he'd "had a dream the other night," when he should have been alert and on duty around the airport, did him in.





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— Denise & Henry Roessle

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— Tom & Melodye Cooke

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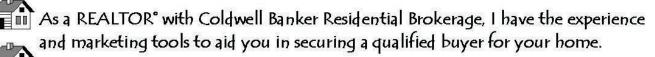
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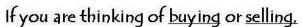


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