

'Tis the Season

It's that time of year again when Esperanzans show off their creativity by decorating their lamp posts and our parks and monuments for the holidays. There's no lack of imagination here, and some of our residents reject the traditional for the whimsical. Here are just a few.



Annual Meeting Change

The EE Annual Meeting has been

changed to Wed., January 20, 1:00 at the Canoa Hills Rec Center, 3660 Camino

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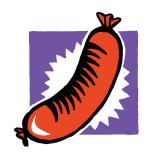
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Upcoming Events

Sausage Fest Tuesday, January 19th 4:30 p.m. Social Time/5 p.m. Dinner



A repeat performance of the wildly successful event of last January. \$7 includes an immodest Optimist Club Italian sausage on a bun (complete with grilled green bell peppers, grilled onions and/or sauerkraut), chips, a cookie, beer/wine/water/or pop.

"First Day" Potluck Friday, January 1, 1:00 p.m. at the Ramada

Please bring a dish to share and your table service. Hot coffee and hot cider will be provided. Bring any other beverage you want. Thanks to Jane Ellingson and Mona Sheffield for organizing this event. Call Jane at 625-7782 if you'd like to help set up.



Coffee & Donuts Wednesdays following the board meeting 8:30 a.m. at the Ramada

Join your neighbors for complimentary coffee and donuts.

Hosted by the Cookes & the Surprises

Board Meetings

Annual Meeting: January 20th 1:00, Canoa Hills Rec Center

February 15 • March 21 • April 18 May 16 • June 20

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

Esperanza Estates Homeowners Association P.O. Box 181, Green Valley, AZ 85622-0181

Mark your calendars...

Feb. 9th: Italian Night March 15th: Chili Cook-off April 12th: Coney Island Night

Valentine's Reception and Guitar Concert

Sat., February 13th at the Ramada

Tickets will be available at the Sausage Fest and the Annual Meeting. See page 6 for more information.

Annual Ramada/Bake Sale: March 5th

Around Esperanza

Decorating at the Portillo Monument

























Around Esperanza

EE Artisans Sale

Photos by Colleen Simonsen



Stein Simonsen



Barbara Carver



Scottie Blum & Chris McMahon for Chef Lorraine



Cheri Day



Sue Thompson



Marla Ries



Rosanna Nelson



Jane Ellingson



Joey Sourant

Around Esperanza

Christmas Potluck and Caroling at the Ramada











Common Area Maintenance heard your complaints about slippery rocks at the end of the trail through Mesquite Park. Pavers now replace the rocks here and where the trail cuts through the wall on Vereda Calma. Walkers and dogs both appreciate the improvement.



Sorry, Harvey and Henrietta Javelina. The garbage gate has been installed at the Ramada, so no more digging in the trash there.

Enhancement Team Gears Up for 2016

By Barb McCalpin

The Enhancement Team is off to a busy start. Holiday decorations are up and the elves have been busy beautifying lampposts. We financed the new enclosure of the trash area at the Ramada (looks good!) and replaced a worn-out coffeepot with a new 30-cupper for use at ramada events. We always welcome ideas for additional improvement projects.

We are extremely pleased to sponsor a first-ever Esperanza event: a concert by professional guitarist, Hewlett Crist, on Saturday, February 13, at the Ramada. Over the course of his career, Hewlett has played numerous styles of music, including blues, R&B, Jazz, and now concentrates on classical guitar. He has extensive experience in various venues of the music industry and currently plays his own compositions exclusively. You can learn more about Hewlett and his distinguished career by visiting his website: rivergrande.com.

The concert will be combined with a wine and cheese reception featuring a wide array of delectable treats. Tickets will be available at Hospitality's Sausage Fest on January 19, and at the Annual Meeting on January 20. This will be a fun and entertaining way to celebrate Valentine's Day with friends and loved ones. Mark your calendar now; don't miss this exciting event! Additional details will follow soon.

It seems like the Annual Ramada/Bake Sale is day after tomorrow! March isn't that far away. We will follow the popular tradition of opening the sale to Esperanza residents only from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 4. The main sale on Saturday, March 5, starts at 7:00 a.m. and is open to the public. Kraylen Miholer and Marian Mundale are co-chairing the event this year. Call Kraylen (393-8133), Marian (625-2238) or any team member to make a donation. Your donations make the sale a success! As always, all proceeds are used the enhance Esperanza Estates.

GVC News

By Joe McCalpin

The last meeting of the GVC Board of Representatives (BOR) for 2015 was held on December 17th at the Desert Hills Center. This meeting was the last meeting for Executive Director Sandi Richey. Sandi retires as of December 31st. GVC will miss her greatly, as will I. She has been very supportive of the Household Hazardous Waste Program and of me.

Freeport McMoran was there to present a check for \$21,000 for the HHW Program. Unfortunately, the check was presented to the GVC Foundation, causing me to revise my plans for a vacation in Tahiti. The Freeport representative spoke briefly about the mine closure. They will continue some of the operations, particularly the molybdenum processing efforts. Rather than totally shut down, they will keep a staff there. Of particular interest to those of us who use Community Water: the sulfur plume abatement efforts will be maintained.

There was a discussion about the Continental/White House Canyon Roundabout at La Posada. The options are a roundabout or a four-way stop. A traffic light is no longer an option.

Supervisor Carroll talked about the failed bond measure. He was disappointed, but recognized that a bond to repair roads is not an optimum solution. Mr. Carroll supports an increase in the gas tax as do three of the other Supervisors. Unfortunately, it takes a unanimous vote of the Board to effect a tax or a tax increase. Mr. Carroll promises to keep working on this issue.

Book Corner

Tucson: A History of the Old Pueblo from the 1854 Gadsden Purchase

David Devine; 2015. 979.1776D

Reviewed by Cindy Krantz

David Devine set out to define the critical points of Tucson's history beginning with the Gadsden Purchase which covered an area in Southern New Mexico and Arizona south of the Gila River. The 45,535-square mile area was purchased for \$10,000,000 by the U.S. from Mexico to ensure territorial rights for a southern railroad route to the Pacific. James Gadsden, a diplomat, negotiated the deal.

The author explores not only the historical development of Tucson from its early days to the present, but also delves into many current situations which

Devine feels have hampered Tucson's economic, cultural and social growth. He asks questions which politicians have bounced around for years, without arriving at conclusions:

Why is transportation rated more important than education?

Other than I-10 and I-19, why is there no urban freeway system?

Why is South Tucson (pop. less than 6,000) a municipality, but Green Valley, with over 21,000 residents, not incorporated?

Why is Tucson one of the poorest major metropolitan areas in the U.S.?

The book is divided into chapters which usually cover a decade. An introductory, italicized paragraph highlights the author's focus. While looking to Tucson's future, Devine reviews its past, with his focus being "It's hard to estimate where you're going if you don't know where you've been."

Whether a seasonal visitor or a full-time resident, readers will find a wealth of information about Tucson, both past and present.

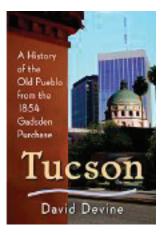
SAV Neighborhood Watch Training

Neighborhood Watch will be conducting additional training on January 4, 2016, 1:30 2:30 p.m. at Desert Hills Rec Center, 2980 S. Camino Del Sol.

This will be detailed training for setting up or revitalizing a Neighborhood Watch organization. Any homeowner in Green Valley will be welcome, but we are especially encouraging Neighborhood Watch Area Leaders (aka Neighborhood Watch Chairmen) and Block Captains to attend.

If you are planning to attend, please send an email to NWatch@sav.tuccoxmail.com. Please give the name of those attending, your HOA, advise if the person attending is an Area Leader or a Block Captain, and include a telephone number.

Area Leaders and Block Captains who attend will be receiving Neighborhood Watch lanyards and name tags approximately a month to six weeks after the event. If you have questions, please contact Annie Harrison at 351-6749.



Eric Ellingson and Bletchley Park's Forgotten Genius

By Kris Bean

Eric Ellingson remembers Gordon Welchman, Bletchley Park's forgotten genius. Their tenure in common at the MITRE Corporation think tank brought the British Broadcasting System (BBC) in contact with Eric in the fall of 2014. A film about Gordon Welchman, his work at Bletchley Park and his life after World War II was in production. Researchers were looking for people who had worked with Welchman and could help tell the story.

Bletchley Park, site of Britain's World War II, ultra-secret code-breaking installation was the subject of the 2014 movie "The Imitation Game." Focused on the contributions of Alan Turing, the film did not mention co-contributor Welchman. The Bombe, the crucial electro-mechanical decoding device that Welchman and Turing had created, initially required up to 100 hours to decode a single message. Only with Welchman's diagonal board modifications was the time reduced to hours—or in some cases, minutes.

Welchmans's traffic analysis of the data provided by rooms full of human listener/transcribers mapped the strength and location of German troops and equipment before the Bombe had decoded a single message. These same operators learned to recognize the "fists" transmitting messages, individual rhythmic patterns that identified repeat operators. Analysts could then configure cribs, intuitive setting selections found by comparing repeated phrases and used to determine the Enigma settings for a particular message.

Those familiar with Bletchley Park knew Welchman's work. His organizational skills had grown a cadre of a few hundred listeners into a secret war-time communications analysis unit of nearly 10,000

employees.

With the end of the war, Bletchley Park's workers returned to their pre-war lives with their secrets, never discussing their work even with family. In 1948 Welchman moved to the United States where he worked for MIT (Massachusettes Institute of Technology), Remington Rand and Ferranti before joining MITRE in 1962. At MITRE he was charged with designing a secure communications system for the US Military, the implementation of which was then the responsibility of project manager Eric Ellingson.

In 1971, at the age of 65, Welchman retired from MITRE but continued on as a consultant.

In 1974, with the release of "The Ultra Secret" by ex-MI6 (British Military Intelligence Section 6) Officer Frederick William Winterbotham, the Bletchley



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Circle silence was broken. With the blessing of British Government Communications Headquarters (GCHQ), Winterbotham, revealed the existence of the facility and the extent of the code-breaking efforts in England during the war. The walls were down. Wintherbotham and Welchman both appeared in the final episode of BBC's 1977 documentary series "The Secret War."

Realizing that he was one of the few remaining participants who knew the full history of the communications installation, Welchman set out to record the story that few knew. "The Hut Six Story: The Breaking of the Enigma Code" was printed by McGraw Hill and scheduled for release on March 1, 1982. It was his undoing.

The National Security Agency (NSA) accused Welchman of violating the Espionage Act of 1940, threatened him with a possible 10 year prison sentence, and forbade him from speaking about the book to anyone. On April 29, 1982, the NSA withdrew Welchman's security clearance, making him unemployable. Eric Ellingson remembers that Welchman "just disappeared."

Devastated by the turn of events Welchman found his health failing. On October 8, 1985, after a battle with cancer, he died.

Many speculated, and Eric believes, that GCHQ pressured the NSA to revoke Welchman's security clearance. Eric, whose own security clearance level was so high that even revealing it was a violation, recalls that Welchman's security level was rather low. His tenure at MITRE had not given Welchman access to highly sensitive material. He presented no threat to security.

It is possible that the military communities on both sides of the Atlantic were merely striking back at the man who wrote, "today many of our politicians still call only for more defense spending, as if that were the answer. What matters is not the amount spent but the thinking and planning that directs the spending." ("The Hut Six Story: Breaking the Enigma Codes" Gordon Welchman, McGraw-Hill, 1982 P. 214)

Eager to share what he knew of Welchman's ordeal, Eric found himself, once again, on the campus of MIT on Novemeber 23, 2014. He'd discussed his knowledge and impressions of Welchman at dinner the night before. Now, dressed in professorial brown tweed, he worked with BBC staff to record the information. Although much of his on camera time was left on the cutting room floor, several of Eric's comments set the tone in the final version. First broadcast by BBC Two on September 9, 2015 with the title "The Forgotten Genius of Bletchly Park", it was later shown on the Smithsonian Channel under the title "The Code-Breaker Who Hacked Hitler." Using the DVD given him by the BBC, Eric plans his own red carpet release at the EE Ramada once evening temperatures warm enough to encourage attendance.



In Memoriam

Sophía Watson 703 Placíta Nueva October 15, 2015

Robert Epple 630 Placita Nueva November 10, 2015

Welcome New Owners

Carrie & John McFarland 603 W. Placita Nueva

Bienvenidos Committee Report

Jim and Beth Jeffrey (Placita Nueva)

The Jeffreys purchased their lovely home in EE last January. They are not new to Arizona, having visited many times over the past 30 years. Like many of us they owned a home in the Villas before finding our wonderful neighborhood. They plan to live here 6 months of the year, returning in the summers to Deadwood, South Dakota, in the Black Hills. They have two sons, one of whom lives full time in Vail, Arizona with his family.

Jim retired after 38 years with an electrical company and is an avid golfer. Beth has held a number of jobs, including as a freelance photographer.

Murphy, an adorable Shih Tzu, completes their Green Valley family.

Kathy Stocker and Melvin Shaffer (W Circulo Napa)

Kathy was born and raised in Detroit but has lived in Michigan's Upper Peninsula, Texas, Washington DC, and Virginia. She is a retired librarian and archivist. After retirement, Kathy spent several years on the road in her 5th wheel volunteering at various National Parks.

Melvin was an army photographer during WWII, and had a distinguished career in biomedical communications at the Medical College of Virginia. He also served as a consultant to the World Health Organization.

Kathy and Melvin discovered Green Valley in the fall of 2014 when Kathy was volunteering at Tumacácori. The couple enjoys traveling, and while they are full time EE residents, they plan to continue traveling during the summers. Kathy also enjoys hiking and has become a member of the EE Gardeners.

Carrie and John McFarland (Placita Nueva)

The McFarlands and their three cats moved into their EE home in November. Most recently they lived up in the Payson area. They are not newcomers to Green Valley, however, having resided here from 2000 till 2011.

At that time Carrie was involved with The Animal League of Green Valley as part of the opening team. Previously, John owned a part interest in his family's newspaper, in Missouri, till it was sold a few years back.

Both Carrie and John are golfers, and are very happy to be back in Green Valley.

Thank you, Dean!

After years of dedicated service, Dean Hess will no longer be delivering the Periodico to those who don't have computers or who are unable to pick up a copy at the Ramada. Thank you, Dean.

And thank you, Jane Ellingson for taking over this important service.

Half Way Station

By Cynthia Surprise

Traveling south along the West Frontage Road, you'll of course spot those two familiar landmarks, the Longhorn Grill and the Cow Palace. Although it's less well known to us recent transplants to Arizona there is yet another landmark in the same area: Half Way Station.

No longer open and with only the skeleton of a sign announcing it's presence, the station is showing it's age now. In it's heyday, however, it was quite the popular place and it still holds fond memories for our Southern Arizona natives.

So named because of it's location half way between Nogales and Tucson, the station was a stopping point for stagecoaches heading south from Tucson. It later became a gas station, convenience store, bar and restaurant complete with a dance floor.

Steve Day, a professional artist and EE resident, found the building intriguing and stopped by to paint it. He struck up a conversation with Sam Herrera, the current owner whose family has owned the station for several generations, and was invited in for a tour. Steve says that the old building has wonderful paintings on the wall with very unique Native American designs. Herrera's hope was to turn the station into a space to hold art shows, but that plan has not yet come to fruition.

According to an article in the Arizona Star, Liz Taylor visited Half Way Station on one of her visits to Tucson in the '50s and '60s. Apparently, she loved the food so much that when she was in Europe with Richard Burton, she got a craving for it and they air-mailed the food to her in Europe.

I've zipped by it many times on my way to Tubac without giving it a second glance and never knew it's history until I talked with some EE residents who frequented it years ago. Larry Kempton's mother worked there as a waitress when his family lived in Amado in the 1950s. Orv Smith, one of EE's native Arizonans from Nogales, remembers the station as a favorite stop on the way up to Tucson. "They had the best 'burros' (you couldn't call them 'burritos' because they were really large). Medio chile y medio frijol'— half and half," Orv recalls, adding, "I get a nostalgic twinge every time we drive past the old place."

Now when you pass Half Way Station on the Frontage Road (between the Cow Palace and the rest area), you'll know its story.





PC Clean-up Tips

By Craig Surprise

Igo through three steps about once a week to keep my Windows computer free of malware & junkware:

- run JRT (Junkware Removal Tool from Malwarebytes): the fastest but most limited of these cleanup tools; it catches the really gross stuff and removes it without bothering to ask you for permission.
- run Malwarebytes' Anti-Malware ('MBAM'): this program exhautively searches the entire disk for Adware and other potentially unwanted programs ('PUPS') and offers to remove those it finds.
- run CCleaner: requires more user-interaction but sniffs out so-called "temporary" files that continue to accumulate over time, as well as Windows install & update files that are no longer needed:
 - + "Cleaner" mode identifies ("Analyze" step) and deletes ("Run Cleaner" step) no-longerneeded files that accumulate and slow disk accesses;
 - + "Registry" mode identifies out-of-date entries in the database (the "Registry") that Windows uses to keep track of myriad details about programs, how they run, etc., and offers to remove them.

(I'm assuming that your anti-virus program of choice is up-to-date and runs automatically when your computer starts up. If not, make it so!)

JRT download link: http://thisisudax.org/ (the original JRT developer web site still supports downloads, in spite of Malwarebytes buying them.)

MBAM download link: https://www.malwarebytes.org/mwb-download/ (try the free version before accepting their offer for a trial of the Premium version.)

CCleaner download link: http://www.piriform.com/ccleaner/download/standard (try the 'Standard' version of CCleaner before paying for either the "Pro" or "Pro +" version.)

And there you go: keeping your Windows PC clean and speedy is as simple as 1-2-3.

EE Name Badges Available

Name badges for Ramada gatherings are available for \$6.00 each. If you would like to order a badge, contact Melodye Cooke: 336-8844 or melodye1@cox.net. If you've lost your magnet, replacements are available for \$1.





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Another gorgeous sunrise by Cheri Day!

Publisher's Note: Thank you, Cheri, for documenting these, since I have only seen five or six in my entire life.



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