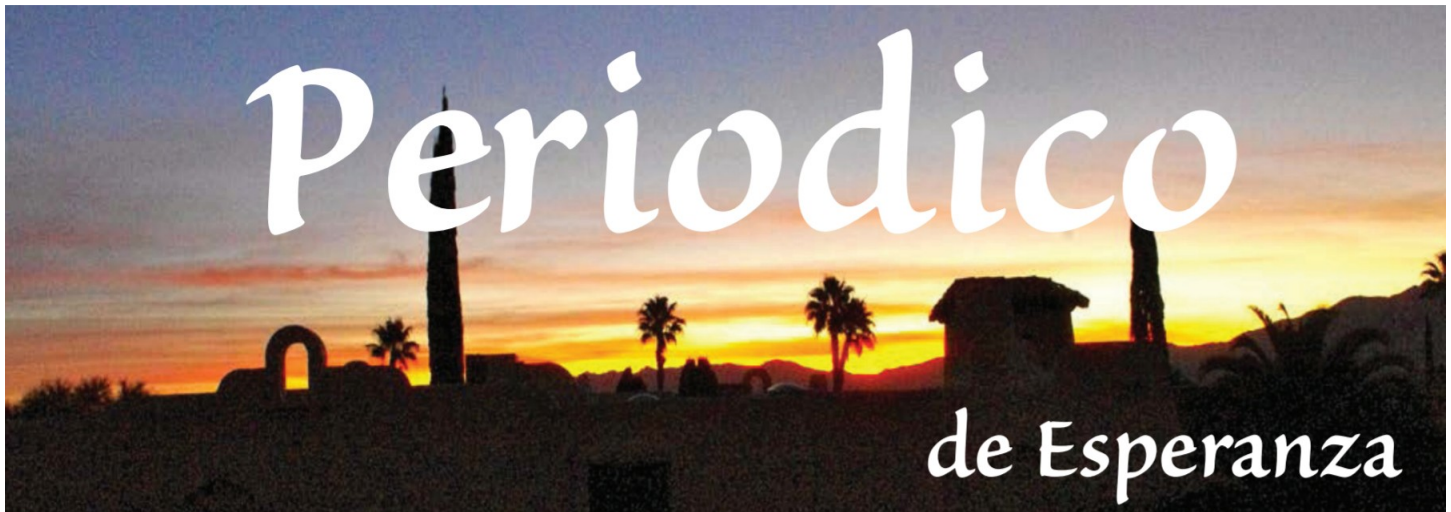


January 2018



40th ANNUAL ESPERANZA ESTATES HOMEOWNERS ANNUAL MEETING

Monday, January 15th

Check-in Begins at 1:30pm, Meeting is Called to Order at 2pm
at CPAC (Community Performance and Arts Center)
1250 W Continental Road

Candidates for the Esperanza Estates Board of Directors 2018



Nancy Ferguson My husband, Ray, and I moved to Esperanza Estates in July 2016. Last spring I became one of the co-chairs of the Hospitality Committee and organized all the social events last summer. In 2017 I was appointed to the HOA Finance Committee. My goal of being elected to the Board is to contribute to the continuing improvement of our wonderful community. If elected, I will bring to the position communication skills, knowledge of construction, accounting and budgeting skills from my careers in construction, law enforcement, real estate, accounting, auditing and budgeting. These skills will assist me in listening to home owners,

negotiating contracts with vendors, and looking at budget needs and expenses with a careful eye. My professional background includes: five years as the owner of a roofing and remodeling company, three years as budget officer for U.S. Army Family Housing in Darmstadt, Germany; six years as supervisor of accounts receivable for the Defense Department in the Regional

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Board Meetings

Board Meetings are held at 1pm on the third Monday of each month at the Sunset Ramada. No Board Meetings are scheduled during the months of July and August.

Next REGULAR Board meeting:

February 19th, 1PM

Esperanza Estates Homeowners Association

P.O. Box 181

Green Valley, AZ 85622-0181

Coffee & Doughnuts

Join your neighbors at 8:30am on the third Wednesday of each month (during "the season") for complimentary coffee and donuts.

Next date: Jan 17th

*Hosted by the Cookes
& the Surprises*

Food Bank donations are always welcome.



Annual Ramada Clean-up

Jody Hauge reports that the annual cleanup of the Ramada is scheduled for February 5th at 10 am. All hands are welcome and appreciated!

Name Badges

Name badges for Ramada gatherings are available for

\$6.00 each. If you would like to order a badge, contact Melodye Cooke: (520) 336-8844 or melodye1@cox.net. If you've lost your magnet, replacements are available for \$1.00.

Esperanza Estates

John Doe

Another Great Party

Thanks to Co-Chairs Dean & Robin Lockwood and Nancy Ferguson and their team of elves, another Annual Christmas Party was enjoyed by 84 EE residents and their guests. Good friends, great food and much laughter made for a very enjoyable evening.



Ugly Christmas Sweater Contestants



Robin Lockwood, Linda Sielken, Joey Sourant & Cynthia Surprise

**Printed copies of the Periodico
will once again be available at
the Ramada beginning in
January 2018**

Upcoming Events

Sat, Jan 13th: Baked Potato & Pulled Pork Bar

Social Hour 4:30PM/Dinner at 5PM

A wide variety of toppings will be available for your baked potato. The meal, beer, wine and soft drinks for just \$8



Fri, Feb 16th: Optimist Club Italian Sausage Dinner

Social Hour 4:30PM/Dinner at 5PM

An immodest hand made Italian sausage in a bun with grilled onions and green peppers (and sauerkraut), chips, cookies, beer, wine & soft drinks, \$8

Sat, March 17th: Traditional Corned Beef Meal

Social Hour 4:30PM/Dinner at 5PM

Corned Beef, Cabbage, Carrots, Potatoes, Dessert (AND, HAM!), beer, wine and soft drinks \$8

A Message from the HOA President

Your Board of Directors sends its hopes that your holidays were memorable and that you were able to enjoy all the blessings of the season. We send our thanks to all of the volunteers and our residents who decorated our common areas and light posts so festively, and to those who sponsored our Christmas gatherings. This is always a special time in Esperanza Estates, as shown by the holiday spirit which is so evident here.

As we turn our attention to the new year, please let me remind you to attend our 40th annual meeting on Monday, January 15th. This year the meeting will be held at CPAC (Community Performance and Arts Center), [1250 W. Continental Road](#), just 5 minutes from our neighborhood. We will meet in the theater, which has comfortable seating. Check-in will begin at 1:30, and the meeting will begin at 2:00. This meeting generally lasts about an hour, and you will hear reports from our various committee chairs and have an opportunity to ask questions. The newly elected Board members will also be introduced. We hope to see you there.

Immediately following the annual meeting, the new Board will hold an organizational meeting and elect officers for the coming year. This is an open meeting and any resident may stay.

As we close one year and begin to prepare for the next one, the Board wishes to extend its thanks to the many volunteers who help our neighborhood in so many ways. The spirit of volunteerism is alive and well in Esperanza Estates and it shows each day. It is what makes us so special, and makes this such a delightful place to live.

We wish you all the best in the coming year. ~ Tom Cooke

Finance Office in Dallas, Texas; four years as an auditor for the Treasury Inspector General; six years with U.S. Customs (now Homeland Security) where I dealt with the public on a daily basis and during that time was also elected vice president of the National Treasury Employees

Union for the state of Arizona in which capacity I negotiated and enforced contracts, as well as state and federal law; and seven years as a real estate agent and broker.



Ken Lindeman I am running for the EE Board because I would like to be a part of maintaining this community into the future. I have been on the HOA board in Colorado for 10 years, the Road Committee board for 8 years and a water committee board for 9 years. In Colorado we have a Property Improvement District (PID) to collect money (property tax) for the maintenance of roads in our neighborhood. The Road Committee is the eyes and ears for the county as we arrange maintenance and snowplowing of our neighborhood roads. This year I

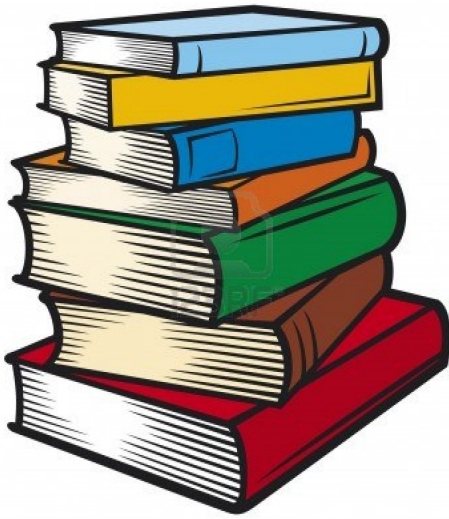
did not renew my membership on the Road Committee so my term expires 12/1/2017. I have been secretary/treasurer for the 55 properties in our HOA. I have a new person volunteering for my job who will be elected at the next annual meeting. My responsibilities with the Water Committee are nearing an end as a private water company is being merged into a public water company run by the city of Estes Park. Given the opportunity, I would enjoy being part of a board that strives to maintain the best interest of the members of Esperanza Estates.

Dean Hess I am is running for reelection to the EE HOA Board, a position I have cheerfully held for seven years. Neighborhood governance is up close and personal. Serving on the board is my opportunity to get to know as many people as possible in this friendly subdivision. The maintenance of EE common areas is my current duty and passion. I coordinate tree services and work with the Hot Desert crew to determine resident needs and maximize work crew responsiveness. I am proud of the system of check dams that have reduced the effects of water runoff into the streets when the rains come. Things get done because the Board works together for the betterment of all. Prior to relocating to Arizona with my wife, Mary, I held leadership positions in several organizations, including my church, labor union and local school board.



Kevin Welsh I have been in Esperanza for 9 years, first as a winter resident for 3 followed by

Book Discussion Group



The EE Book Discussion Group meets at 11am on the first Tuesday of each month at the Sunset Ramada. Meeting times are occasionally changed due to unforeseen circumstances. New group members are always welcome.

2018 Titles:

Jan 9th: Discussion and sharing of favorite books
Feb 6th: Glory over Everything - Kathleen Grissom
Mar 6th: The Nest - Cynthia D'Aprix Sweeney
April 3rd: Inside the O'Brien's - Lisa Genova
May 1st: Hotel Paradise - Martha Grimes
June 5th: The Known World - Edward P Jones

Bienvenidos Committee

Many new residents have moved in recently, keeping the committee busy making our visits. We are also planning a reception for newcomers in early January. Please join us in welcoming some of our new neighbors.



Judy and John Nesavich (Placita Nueva)

Green Valley was an easy choice for Judy, who lived in Tucson in the late 1960s and remembers when Green Valley was just getting started. She calls herself a "re-plant," instead of a "transplant." For the last several years she and John rented in GV to escape the cold Denver winters.

John is a woodworker, specializing in wooden pens (as in ink pens, not livestock or pet pens). Being a referee for youth lacrosse has been a big part of his life. Judy is a quilter and avid hiker. Both John and Judy also like to garden and have joined the EE Gardeners. They share their home with their gray standard poodle, Vida.

Eric and Chela Phelps (Placita Nueva)

Eric and Chela are new to Esperanza Estates, but not new to the area. For the last 25 years, they owned a ranch outside Tucson, but finally decided it was time to cut back a bit on the work and take time to enjoy the quiet of living in EE.

Eric spent many years as a building inspector and carpenter, so he's ready to make their new home uniquely theirs. Chela was a caregiver for many years, and is happy to be able to spend her leisure time now expressing her creativity in their home and yard.

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a full time resident for the next 6.

During this time I have been very active in the

neighborhood with the Arts Club, the construction of the Ramada and the Italian oven at Shade Tree Park, Neighborhood Watch, Court Master for the Tennis/Pickleball Courts, and for the last 3 years, on the HOA Board as the Architectural Control Committee Chairman. I'm also active in the local Optimist Club, helping raise money for local kids. My goal is to see Esperanza Estates remain one of the most desirable subdivisions in Green Valley and foster our great sense of community.



Pickleball... What the heck is it?

Prior to moving to Green Valley, I had never heard of pickleball! I'm quite a klutz and although curious, I hesitate to make a fool of myself attempting to play the game. What is pickleball, you ask? According to Wikipedia:

Pickleball is a paddle sport that combines elements of badminton, tennis, and table tennis. Two, three, or four players use solid paddles made of wood or composite materials to hit a perforated polymer ball over a net. Pickleball was invented in the mid 1960s as a children's backyard pastime but has become one of America's most popular growing sports among all ages.

The ball is served with an underhand stroke so that contact with the ball is made below waist level in an upward arc. The server hits from behind the baseline on one side of the center line and aims diagonally to the opponent's service zone. Only the serving side may score a point. Play ends for a point when one side commits a fault. Some faults include:

- not hitting the serve into the opponent's diagonal service zone
- not hitting the ball beyond the net
- hitting the ball or not hitting after the 2nd bounce on one side of the net
- hitting the ball out of bounds

The first side scoring 11 points leading by at least two points wins the game. If the two sides are tied at 10 points apiece, the side that goes ahead by two points wins the game.

New players are always welcome at the Esperanza Estates courts.