# **Hidden Valley Homeowner Association News**

May/June 2015

### **President's Message**

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Dear neighbors,	
Pima County Dept of Transportation	Priscilla Cornelio, Pima County Director of Transportation attended our March board of director's meeting. She discussed the condition of the roads in the county and explained the County's financial situation. There will be a bond initiative on the ballot in November which includes money for roads.  She also provided the following number which we have published for HV residents a number of times. It is 724-6410. You can report road issues in our neighborhood or any road condition you see in the community that is a concern. Director Cornelio stressed that County crews respond as quickly as possible to emergency road issues, but are also reliant on the public to report issues they may not immediately be aware.  You may notice that Moonstone has received quite a bit of attention lately (and very needed). Call the number if your road needs attention.
Ally Miller, Plma County Supervisor	We have invited Ally Miller, Supervisor for District 1, to attend a future board meeting when her schedule permits. She is opposed to the currently proposed Bond initiative and feels the county should look to ways to curtail costs. The other supervisors support the Bond proposal. Some of you may disagree with Supervisor Miller's position. She needs to hear from you. You can reach her at www.allymillerdistrict1.com . Also sign up for her newsletter.
Sabino Creek Restoration	We have been contacted by Sabino Creek Restoration project – a group whose purpose is to protect and restore the Sabino Creek watershed. We will invite them also to a future board meeting.
Spring Picnic	About 40 neighbors enjoyed a beautiful sunny afternoon in Wes Miller Park for our Spring Picnic April 11. Chef Pete Cinquemani did a wonderful job as always.

Park Vandalism	Unfortunately, vandals continue to wreak havoc on the picnic tables so we voted at our last meeting to remove them and purchase portable picnic tables which will be stored away (at a secret location) when not in use.  Vandalism is so senseless!
Board Position Opening	We still have an opening for Vice President on our board. Contact me if you want more information. We have a great board and new members are always welcome and needed!
Good News	Recently Penny Larkin, Mike Gollon and I attended an HOA seminar sponsored by the law firm of Goldschmidt and Shupe. You will be happy to know that our HOA is compliant with accepted management practices in terms of how we manage our organization.
Saturday Night Social	Join your neighbors this coming Saturday, May 9, from 6:30 to 8:30pm at the home of Vince Schantz and Pat Packard, 5120 North Siesta Drive. If you plan to attend, please let Vince or Pat know by calling 638-6248 or emailing pmpackard@yahoo.com.  Please bring an appetizer to share and your favorite beverage(s). See you there.
See you in the neighborhood	Norie Nelson President, Hidden Valley Homeowner Association

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# **Neighborhood Watch**

Hello from Penny Larkin	Your Neighborhood Watch Director and Self-Appointed Cheer Leader for our Neighborhood			
Neighborhood Watch Meeting	The annual Neighborhood Watch meeting was held on April 14 at St Albans Church. See below for a report on the meeting.			
Block Leaders	These are your current Block Leaders. watching out for you and your family.	Give them a wave when you see the	:m	
	Vince Schantz	Siesta Drive		
	Sally Dooley	Siesta Drive		
	Dan Rhodes	Big Horn Trail		
	Ben Jacobs	Rockgate Road		
	Bob Larkin	Hummingbird Lane		
	Gary and Ann Catren	Sandstone Drive		
	Joy Gurgevich	Sandstone Drive		
	Pete Cinquemani	Rockcliff Road		
	Rene Coy	Cheyenne Place		
	Cathy Negelsbach	Buffalo Run		
	Kathy and Mike Houghtaling	Sabino Foothills Drive		
	Most of their phone numbers or emails can be found in the HVHOA roster. Please contact me if you would like more information on how you can help keep your neighborhood the safest place to live in Pima County. We still need volunteers for the Block Leaders on Surrey Trail, Tourmaline Drive, Sandstone, Stonehouse Place and Snyder Road. This would reduce some very large areas that our current volunteers are covering.			
Vacant Property Watch	Neighborhood Watch is looking at abandoned or foreclosed properties. 4922 Hummingbird is in foreclosure and supposed to be under contract but it has a broken window. Neighbors patched it so that vermin and vandals are discouraged. Police were dispatched. If you have a property near you that needs a look let your Neighborhood Watch Block leader or me know.			
	If you plan on traveling this season make sure your neighbors and your NW Block Leader knows you are away. The Pima County Sheriff's Department will keep an occasional eye on your property if you inform them about dates that your house will be unattended.			

Unprecedented response from the Sheriff's Office made this years Neighborhood Watch Meeting a big success. 5 members of the Sheriff's department came to meet with us and present information that was current and relevant to our neighborhood.

We were assured that we live in one of the safest neighborhoods around. Our officers are dedicated to our safety. I was absolutely thrilled with the response from the Sheriffs office. They showed up early and left late. They addressed every question put to them with respect and genuine concern. Here is a link to the Pima county sheriff crime reports http://www.pimasheriff.org/prevention/crime-maps/.

Our meeting began at 7:00 PM. Our Rincon District Six Commander Joe DeCorma introduced his two presenting Deputies, Copeland and Marsh who addressed issues of personal safety, mail fraud, identity theft, property damage, burglary, theft and how to prevent those incidents from happening to you. We also had a detective from the Sheriffs office who observed the presentation, a patrol officer and Chief Deputy Chris Nanos who offered his Cell phone number (465-4052) to everyone at the meeting and asked us to use it if we needed to. Chief Deputy Nanos talked about the size of Pima County being the 7th largest county in the nation. The praised his officers for their professionalism and the fact that statistics for response time are extremely good. Average response time for a 911 call was 4.5 minutes.

We were urged to follow first instincts and report anything we thought was suspicious to 911 or the non emergency number. They assured us that we could not overload their telephone system and would rather respond to a call that might be a false alarm than to miss a call that might have prevented a burglary or a crime against a person. If you see something or hear something that doesn't look right be proactive and call it in. While the department does not patrol every street every day a call from you when you suspect criminal activity can change that in less than 5 minutes.

If you do have a burglary you can assist the police in tracking down your goods, getting them back and catching the culprits when you have your serial numbers recorded. Take photos of your personal property especially jewelry and things that could be pawned. The department said the best defense is to slow down a thief. Barking dogs, window and door grills, motion detectors are all effective especially when used together. Security systems can be effective tools but must be maintained. If your alarms are triggered for no apparent reason have your security system checked. Post a neighborhood watch sign on your door. Contact me to get one or print form the website http://www.pimasheriff.org

Do you use Wes Miller Park or live adjacent to it and notice vandalism or use after hours? Call it in to me or Park Director Pete Cinquemani. The patrol does drive by the park and will respond to check it out but you are the first line of defense. If you notice a crime in progress call 911.

The department holds a mini defense seminar called RAD which stands for Rape Aggression Defense. You can find more information on that through the Pima County Sheriffs Web site http://www.pimasheriff.org .The non emergency community resource Unit phone number is 520-352-4615. (Penny will try to set up a date if there is enough interest. Contact her at 760-7736)

39 people signed in at the meeting. The audience gave the department a huge round of applause and I saw many people personally thank the department for their awesome response to our request for a deputy at our meeting. If you have any ideas please let me know what I can do to improve our attendance. We served water and cookies paid for by the HOA. As the Area Neighborhood Watch Leader it's my job to keep on top of what's going on in the neighborhood. You can call me at 520-760-7736. I came home with a lot of informational pamphlets and I will be happy to deliver it to you if you want a hard copy otherwise check out their link and print.

Get friendly with your neighbors. Let a trusted neighbor know when you will be out of town. Have someone check your home to see if it has been disturbed. Know your neighbors cars. If there is one that doesn't belong there inquire about it. If you are not an active member of Neighborhood Watch get on it! Together we can watch out for each other and keep this one of the safest neighborhoods in Pima County.

You have to love people who put their lives on the line for you and do it wearing a bulletproof vest in Pima County Arizona. I will be sending Thank you's to the Sheriff's Department for the great job they did last night and the job they do every day on our behalf. Lets all do what we can to assist them.

#### **A Few More Things**

New Neighbors Welcome	New arrivals in HV receive a welcome packet and a personal visit from Neighborhood Watch Leader, Penny Larkin. If you notice a new arrival let Penny know at <a href="mailto:nickleslarkin@gmail.com">nickleslarkin@gmail.com</a> and she'll take it from there.		
HVHOA Web Site	Do you know we have a web page? Visit it at <a href="http://www.hvhoasite.com">http://www.hvhoasite.com</a> . You will see the latest information about what's going on, who's who and the latest discounts.		
Next Board Meeting	Our next board of directors meeting is at 7pm, Monday, May 18, at the home of Pete and Linda Cinquemani, 4535 N Rockcliff Rd. HOA Members are always welcome at board meetings.		
<b>Useful Phone</b>	Good numbers to keep on hand		
NUmbers	Chief Deputy Chris Nano	465-4052	
	Rincon District 6 Commander Joe DeCormas	351-6383	
	Snake Removal Rural Metro non emergency	624-9913	



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## **2015 Fiscal Year Calendar of Events**

Pat Packard, Social Director 638-6248, pmpackard@yahoo.com

Month	Event	Date and Time	Hosted/Organized by	
January	<b>Board Meeting</b>	Monday, Jan. 26, 7pm	Vince Schantz and Pat Packard	
	Saturday Night Social	Saturday, Jan. 31, 6:30 to 8:30pm	Penny and Bob Larkin	
February	Neighborhood Watch Blocker Leader's Meetings	Tuesday, February 10, 7pm.	Penny and Bob Larkin 4911 North Hummingbird Lane 760-7736	
	Board Meeting	Monday, February 23, 7pm	Pete and Linda Cinquemani	
March	Board Meeting	Monday, March 30, 6:30pm	Norie and Maynard Nelson	
April	Spring Picnic	Saturday, April 11, 3:30 to 6:30pm	Wes Miller Park	
	Board Meeting/Annual Meeting for election of officers	Monday, April 27, 7pm	Ben and Mary Ann Jacobs	
May	Saturday Night Social	Saturday, May 9 6:30 to 8:30pm	Vince Schantz & Pat Packard	
	Board Meeting	Monday, May 18, 7pm (one week early due to Memorial Day)	Pete and Linda Cinquemani	
June	Board Meeting	Monday, June 29, 7pm	Gary and Ann Catren	
July	Hidden Valley Fire District Annual Budget Meeting	Tuesday, July 7, 7pm	8202 E Snyder Road	
	Board Meeting	Monday, July 27, 7pm	Penny and Bob Larkin	
August	No Events Scheduled			

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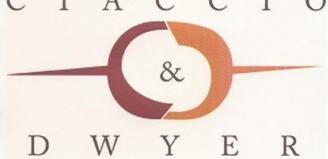
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