



Hidden Valley Homeowner Association News

April 2017

President's Message

Dear neighbors,	
Annual Meeting	In accordance with our association's by-laws we will have our annual meeting and election of officers on April 24 at the home of Tod and Rene Coy, 8365 E Cheyenne Trail at 7 PM. HOA Members are always welcome and encouraged to attend. Director, Mary Ann Jacobs will manage the election process. If you are interested in serving in any position on the board, let her know.
	While all the officers have agreed to serve again, we will also encourage members run for any office or serve as a director or on a committee. What keeps an all volunteer organization running are people willing to serve. We could use help with Social, Membership, By-Laws, and Park as committee members. None of these committees require a huge commitment in time.
Wes Miller Park	Pete Cinquemani , Park Director, has noticed truck tracks in the park leading down to the creek. Please be advised the only truck allowed to drive into the park is Pete's Red Ford Ranger. He uses it for park cleanup and the picnics. If you notice any other vehicle in the park, please notify Pete or call the Pima County Sheriff.
	There were 12 volunteers who worked on the spring cleanup in the Park. Unfortunately, we spent a lot of time removing dog feces. Pete installed a holder for bags and there is a garbage can in the parking lot to deposit them. If you see someone without a bag, please hand them one.
Inappropriate Park Usage	We continue to discover bike ramps, swings, etc. in the park. We have retained an attorney who is advising us on appropriate action. We will make sure the rules and regulations are posted at the entrance to the park. As I have mentioned numerous times in communication to members, Wes Miller Park is a nature preserve. Our obligation is to keep it as pristine and as natural as possible while at the same time, enabling our members to have a peaceful place for a walk, a picnic or even a wedding. How long will it take the delicate ecosystem to be destroyed if trail bikes proliferate?
Watershed Management	We have partnered for several years with the Watershed Management Group. Catlow Shipek attended our March board meeting and we continue to explore ways we can work together to enhance the flow of Sabino Creek and also reduce erosion and runoff and harvest rainwater in Hidden Valley. There is an informative short Youtube video you can watch at Watershedmg.org/RRN and select Sabino Creek. Watershed Management will be happy to meet with

	<p>interested members who may be concerned about erosion on their own property or want tips on water harvesting. You can contact Catlow at 520- 396-3266 , ext 4.</p>
	<p>Plan to attend the spring picnic at Wes Miller park on April 8.</p>
<p>Social Calendar</p>	<p>There are several social events coming up. There are also a number of social events planned or being considered. See Penny Larkin's article and calendar elsewhere in the newsletter for the details. And, if you have an idea for a social event or want to host one contact Penny Larkin at 760- 7736.</p>
<p>See you in the neighborhood ...</p>	<p>Norie Nelson President, Hidden Valley Homeowner Association</p>



Brenda Newman
A KonMari Professional Organizer
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Wes Miller Park News



The dumpster was a success!! Thanks to everyone that used it and only put green waste in the Big Red Rollof.

I want to thank everyone that showed on March 11 for the park clean-up! What a difference a few hours makes. Gary and Penny did a great job on camouflaging the container, as well as the tank by the dam.

In late December, the park had a major cleaning. Many non-native plants were removed, mesquites trimmed and dead and down trees were cut up for firewood. As a result the mesquites are looking much better.

The park still has unwelcomed visitors from outside of Hidden Valley. Because the park is in a remote area, they are doing things that may be going unnoticed. Pima County Sheriff has been called and they do respond, so if you see something that looks suspicious, please contact the Sheriff's Dept.

Pete

Neighborhood Watch

NW Meeting	<p>The Neighborhood Watch meeting at Wes Miller Park on March 11 was attended by all but 2 of the block leaders and 28 residents. block Leaders met 1/2 an hour prior to the meeting of the all Hidden Valley residents.</p>
Pima Sheriff News	<p>Lieutenant Jess Copfer from the Pima county Sheriff Rincon District attended along with Sergeant Manalois. They discussed the importance of a Strong Neighborhood Watch Program. Neighbors who are alert to what is going on in their neighborhood are essential to the safety of us all. The Sheriff told us that they have a used medication disposal drop off at the Rincon Station on Tanque Verde and Bear Canyon Road. They also have a number of gun safety locks for those folks who do not have them. Both the med disposal and gun locks are free for your use. The office is open Monday-Friday 8:00 to 4:30. Do not take sharps to the station but contact your Doctor or pharmacy for instructions on disposal. There is rarely an officer on duty at the Rincon station and you will be met by administrative staff.</p>
	<p>He urged everyone to use 911. When you encounter any situation that makes you uncomfortable please report it before it becomes a crime. He urged Neighborhood Watch Leaders to be careful of their own safety and not confront possible criminals but report them to the police. He told us to inform our neighbors when we are on vacation and that the Auxiliary Police will do a check when you alert them if you are going to be gone 2 weeks or more.</p>
Suspicious Behavior	<p>Just this week we had an incident of a hispanic male who approached two homeowners on Hummingbird Lane. He asked for work. He introduced himself as Carlos from Puerto Rico. He is a tall thin male who wears braids and has been seen in a baseball cap and athletic gear or more recently in a white rough cotton over shirt. He has a quarter size tattoo on his left cheek just under his eye. He has been spotted by several residents on and around Snyder and Moonstone. Our concern is that most legitimate contractors will have references with them and a business card and contact information. My wife was very uncomfortable when he approached her in the yard offering to do any number of contracting chores for free if she would give him a list of her contacts and show his work. She did not agree. She called the sheriff to report the incident as did many other residents. Good Work!.</p>
Park Issues	<p>There have been a number of sightings in Wes Miller Park of people who are not HOA members. There has been vandalism and unapproved construction and destruction. Do not put yourself in danger but you can ask if they are a member of the HOA. Take a picture of license plates and call 911 so they can trace the plate.</p>

Block Leaders

Block Leaders are as follows:

- Kathy Haughteling 749-4956
- Dianna Kamilli 749-0302
- Dan Rhodes 760-0670
- Kathy Negalsbach 275-9049
- Ben Jacobs 749-5523
- Allen Honda 7954863
- Pete Ciquemani 749-5850
- Gary Catren 749-6539
- Joy Gurgavich 749-5413
- Denise Cherry dlcherry@comcast.net
- Rene Coy 749-1032

An updated map will follow shortly.



“POOPER SCOOPER” LAW

Solid animal waste left on public or private property without the permission of the property owner is unlawful.

This code can be difficult to enforce since the violation needs to be observed by a law enforcement officer for a citation to be issued. However, citizens may have a Third Party Citation issued by calling Pima Animal Care.

In Tucson and Green Valley: 724-5900 or fax: 724-5960

In Ajo: 387-7502

Please provide the following information when reporting a violation:

- photograph documenting the incident, including the date, location, and time of the incident;
- the animal must be clearly identifiable in the photograph;
- the animal owner’s address must be known and provided;
- the complainant must be willing to testify in court;
- if two independent witnesses from separate addresses are willing to testify, a photograph may not be required.



Stay Safe

Bob Larkin, Neighborhood Watch Area Chair
520-499-0003 520-760-7736

Firewise Update



Want to save money on your homeowners insurance? Some companies are giving discounts to homeowners who have had their homes inspected and are part of a Firewise Community. We are renewing our efforts to become a Firewise Community. Firewise is a program administered through the National Forestry Service.



It is especially important to those of us who live in wildfire country. The topography of our neighborhood and our hot climate and fierce winds make Firewise essential to the well being of our families and pets, property and the community at large.



What can you do to assure that you are living as safely as you can on the property you own? Schedule a Firewise Inspection. I serve at your invitation only and all of the recommendations I make are strictly voluntary compliance on your part. You can take my suggestions and I hope you do act on them, or you can decide not to take advantage of making your property as safe as you can from the dangers of wildfire. Most fixes are free or at very little cost.

I am a certified Firewise inspector for our neighborhood. Although I wish everyone was a member of the Hidden Valley Homeowners Association it isn't the case. But just like Neighborhood Watch, Firewise is here to help you keep your property safe.

If you were at the Neighborhood Watch/ Firewise/Community development meeting on March 25 you had the opportunity to sign up for a Firewise assessment. Unfortunately someone picked up the sign up sheet and I lost half of the names of the folks who wish to have an assessment. If you inadvertently picked up sign up sheets please let me know and I will be happy to come and get them. If you signed up for an assessment and have not heard from me yet please contact me so that I can come by and make an assessment of your property. I will be assessing the outside of your home and your property. I will not be checking the inside of your home.


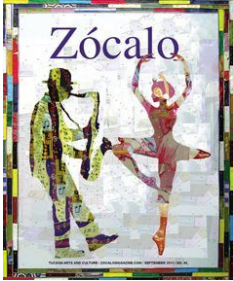
An assessment takes about 20 minutes to complete. When I am through I will give you a copy of my report and we can discuss how you can be part of the solution to the wildfire problem.



Lastly, but very importantly, many of you brought your kids to see Smokey the Bear in the park. Unfortunately he got sent out on the rig to respond to an emergency during our meeting. We will try to get him back for the picnic on April 8th. Smokey wanted me to thank all of you for turning out to see how you could keep your neighborhood safe.

Penny Larkin, Firewise Assessor
nickleslarkin@gmail.com 760-7736 or 763-300-7054

Social Committee News

	<p>You will notice a change to the Social Calendar. Pat Packard is no longer here to make it look beautiful but I hope I can fill it with fun events you will want to join in.</p>
	<p>Check out the calendar for the events scheduled for April, May and June. We are looking to branch out and have other members host Saturday Night Socials. Are you in town in July and August? Pick a Saturday and we'll all come over and swelter together.</p>
	<p>In addition to our tried and true events I am wondering if anyone is interested in participating in a garden/property improvement tour? The date would be May 6, 10:00 AM, locations to be determined. If you have a garden you would like to show or a home improvement project you would like to showcase we would love to see it. This would entail you signing up to be a display property and letting folks visit your garden or outside project. Nominate a neighbor who's done nice work improving their gardens or home site. I'll contact them and ask their permission. Have you done a water reclamation project? We'd like to see it. Have you figured out how to tame the desert or found a way to live with it in peace and harmony? Want to share that information? Do you have plants to share or do you need divisions of plants? Contact me if interested.</p>
	<p>Are you interested in what's going on in Tucson in the arts and cultural events? Pass that information on to me and I'll post it. We may want to form car pools to events around town or on short day trips.</p>
	<p>Social chairs need social committees. Want to be on one? Contact me.</p>
	<p>Penny [always looking for a party] Larkin nickleslarkin@gmail.com 760-7736 or 763-300-7054</p>

Hidden valley homeowners Association Calendar of Events 2017

Month	event /Location	date and time	organized by/hosted /contact
April	Spring Picnic	Saturday April 8 3:00 to 6:00 PM	Penny Larkin
	Wes Miller Park		760-7736
	Annual Election of officers and Board Meeting 8365 E Cheyenne Pl	Monday April 24 7:00 PM	Tod and Rene Coy 749-1032
May	Saturday Night Social 4911 Hummingbird Lane	Saturday May 13 6:30-8:30	Bob and Penny Larkin 760-7736
	BOARD MEETING 8305 E SNDSTONE DRIVE	MONDAY MAY 22 7:00 pm	Gary and Ann Catren 749-5741
June	Board Meeting 4535 N Rockcliff Rd	Monday June 26 7:00 PM	Pete and Linda Cinquemani 749-5850
	Saturday Night Social 4860 Hummingbird Lane	Saturday June 24 6:30 PM	Carol and Bill Fee 760-6080

A Few More Things

Newsletter Advertising	<p>Another benefit of HOA membership: Free Advertising for your business! We will include your ad in our regular newsletters - Free of charge! Just send your copy to Rich Holladay - rich.holladay@gmail.com.</p>						
New Neighbors Welcome	<p>New arrivals in HV receive a welcome packet and a personal visit from New Member Development Director, Carol Fee. If you notice a new arrival let Carol know at carolejfee@yahoo.com or 760-6080 and she'll take it from there.</p>						
Next Board Meeting	<p>Our next board meeting is April 24 at the home of Tod and Rene Coy, 8365 E Cheyenne Trail at 7 PM. As you know, members are always welcome.</p>						
HVHOA Web Site	<p>We have a web site. Visit it at http://www.hvhoasite.com. You will see the latest information about what's going on, who's who and more.</p>						
Pima County Newsletter	<div data-bbox="477 856 1406 1108" data-label="Image"> <p>The logo features a blue speech bubble containing the text 'PIMA COUNTY FYI' in white. To the right, the words 'Weekly Newsletter' are written in white on a green background with a faint cityscape pattern.</p> </div> <p>Pima County publishes a weekly newsletter containing a lot of interesting information. You can view the current and past newsletter at this link. You can subscribe to the newsletter via email at the same link.</p>						
Housing Market Reports	<div data-bbox="477 1262 976 1461" data-label="Image"> <p>The logo consists of the word 'LONG' in large yellow letters with a house icon above the 'O', and 'REALTY' in smaller yellow letters below it. To the right, '90 YEARS STRONG' is written in yellow. Below the main text, it says 'A BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY AFFILIATE'.</p> </div> <p>Long Realty provides a variety of Housing Market Reports at this link.</p>						
Useful Phone Numbers	<p>Good numbers to keep on hand</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="477 1587 1414 1772"> <tr> <td>Pima Sheriff Non-emergency reporting</td> <td>351-4900</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Rincon District 6 Commander Jess Copfer</td> <td>351-6383</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Snake Removal Rural Metro non emergency</td> <td>624-9913</td> </tr> </table>	Pima Sheriff Non-emergency reporting	351-4900	Rincon District 6 Commander Jess Copfer	351-6383	Snake Removal Rural Metro non emergency	624-9913
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