# **Hidden Valley Homeowner Association News**

February 2018

### **President's Message**

Dear neighbors.		
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Caroling	We had some wonderful celebrations in the neighborhood in December. We caroled in the Park and had a good turnout of enthusiastic singers of all ages. The weather was lovely and there were many jingles belling. After we sang all the songs we knew and some we didn't, we proceeded to Richard and Joan Jones's for refreshments. Several singers have volunteered to find a wider selection of carols (you know who you are) for next year.	
Progressive Dinner	The progressive dinner launched with appetizers at the home of Donna Ribka with co-hosting assistance from Denise Mangano. We then enjoyed prime rib and all the fixings at the Jacobs. Dessert was hosted by Karen and Mike Mulcahy.	
	The warm hospitality of all our hosts is so appreciated by all the members who attended and why this is always such a successful event. Thanks to our hosts for opening your homes and making HV's December events so enjoyable.	
FireWise	We have some exciting news. See the article about the Firewise Program by Director Penny Nickles Larkin to find out why. Penny deserves our gratitude for helping to raise awareness of all the ways we can make our community safer from fires. Hidden Valley has developed excellent working relationships with the Arizona Forest Service and the fire crews associated with them as well as Rural Metro, our local fire department.	
Roads, Roads, Oh the Roads!	Last year I attended numerous meetings and sent letters to the Board of Supervisors and Transportation Department about the state of Pima County's roads and specifically those in our community. The Board of Supervisors heard recommendations from a citizen committee and staff and decided on a fix that left Hidden Valley without an acceptable solution. There is also another group authorized by the Supervisors to look at other alternatives for road fixes since funding from property tax increases is insufficient to address all the needs. One of the proposed solutions is a sales tax dedicated to roads and administered by the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA). This group has had numerous public forums which we have attended. Recommendations are due to the supervisors in March. I've sent several updates to you and asked that you contact all the supervisors to let them know your concerns about the sorry state of our roads. It is very important that we tell elected officials how their decisions will affect us.	

#### Feedback to Your County Supervisors

Each supervisor can be found at webcms. Pima.gov - District 1,2,3,4,5.

Please use the Pima County Supervisor <u>feedback form</u> to send comments to your county supervisors.

Later in this newsletter there is an example form submitted by Anne Catren to all of the supervisors, including a reply from the office of Supervisor Bronson.

#### **Pothole Reporting**

The Department of Transportation will respond to resident's reports of problems with potholes. You can call (520) 724-2639 or use the Online Reporting Form. Be sure to list the address closest to the problem. They recently filled holes on Ocotillo and will be fixing Moonstone and Big Horn Trail at some future date. If you don't report the concern I can assure you nothing will happen! Please contact them. It only takes a minute. Even though the process takes a very long time, the county keeps track of the numbers of concerns, the numbers of requests and it is important that HV's needs be addressed. This isn't done by subdivision, but rather, at the present road by road! Until some other solution is adopted individual complaints are the only way to address this problem. Lynne St Angelo, special assistant to District 1 Supervisor Ally Miller is very responsive to requests. You can contact her at 724-2738.

## Petition to Fix The Roads

Click the link to sign the Petition to <u>FIX OUR ROADS</u>. This Petition will be forwarded to State Legislators.

#### District 1 Newsletter

Click the link to read the <u>District 1 newsletter</u>.

#### **Wes Miller Park**

Thanks to all of you who have made contributions to Wes Miller Park. To date we have received \$2,090. Park Director Pete Cinquemani recently received notice from the Nature Conservancy that the park is considered by that group to be in excellent condition. For those of you who are new to our community, many years ago Hidden Valley entered into an agreement with the Nature Conservancy to ensure that the park was always maintained as a nature preserve. There are specific requirements governing paths, picnic areas, tree and plant care, Sabino Creek preservation, etc. Pete works collaboratively with the Forest Service, Watershed Management Group and volunteers to make sure we are responsible stewards of this natural treasure. Thanks to Pete for his diligence.

#### **Social Calendar**

See the current <u>HVHOA Calendar on the HOA website</u>. We are always looking for hosts and the calendar is very flexible. If you have an event you would like to see included let Penny Nickles Larkin know at nickleslarkin@gmail.com.

#### Join Us

We are so fortunate in HV to have a dedicated board of directors who volunteer their time and talents on your behalf. The only reason I've been the president for such a long time is that the board is so professional and responsive. It makes my job easy! Consider joining our board in whatever capacity your talents lead you. We can use committee members to help plan, host or just provide fresh perspective. We are not cliquey. We truly enjoy each other's company and don't consider what we do "work" although it is. Our board meetings are brief and always open to all members. Drop by the next meeting on February 26 hosted by the Cinquemanis at 7PM – 4535 E Rockcliff Rd.

Park Cleanup & Dumpster	There will be a dumpster for <b>yard waste</b> in Wes Miller Park from March 22-26. On Saturday March 24 there will be a park cleanup starting at 9:00. Bring your gloves and yard cleaning tools.
Saturday Night Social	The Socials in January and February were very well attended and the food was excellent. It is a nice opportunity to catch up with old and new HOA members.  Please join us for the next Social on March 24th at 6:30. It will be hosted by Nicole Urban & Rich Holladay - 8521 E Solar Pl. Please RSVP to Rich at 206.412.1054 or rich.holladay@gmail.com. Bring a beverage and a dish to share.
Neighborhood Watch	We are pleased to announce that there were no real instances of crime this past month. There was a report of Arson but when it was checked out it was actually a case of someone having applied for a burning permit and executing a legal controlled burn. None of the block leaders had anything to report.  Continue to stay safe and report incidence if you become aware of them.  Bob Larkin - Neighborhood Watch Leader 520-760-7736 520-499-0003
See you in the neighborhood	Norie Nelson President, Hidden Valley Homeowner Association

## Hidden Valley is a Nationally approved FireWise Neighborhood

Good News Neighbors,	Hidden Valley HOA has become a Nationally recognized FireWise Community. Our efforts in cleaning up Wes Miller Park and our own properties has paid off and it means you can now let your Homeowners Insurance Company know that your community has taken the steps necessary to make your property and our community as a whole FireWise.	
Assessments	If you have not had your property inspected please contact me so that I may do an assessment for you. Our goal is to assess every property in Hidden Valley.	
	If you have had your property assessed for 2017 remember that this is an ongoing process. Once your property is assessed we will discuss what if any steps you can take to insure that your environment is safe for the next year.	
	Our dry conditions and lack of rain in the last months make our community vulnerable to WildFire situations. Take care of your property and make it safe for FireFighters to defend should there be a WildFire.	
	NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION The leading information and knowledge resource on fire, electrical and related hazards  Please take a few minutes to read the National Fire Prevention Association Newsletter.	
Contact Me	Penny Nickles-Larkin FireWise Assessor Hidden Valley HOA 760-7736	

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Subject: RE: Supervisor Sharon Bronson feedback form (district3@pima.gov) 2018-02-16 01:01

PM Submission Notification

**Date:** Tue, 20 Feb 2018 18:28:17 +0000

From: Anissa Ramirez < Anissa.Ramirez@pima.gov>

To: annecatren@comcast.net <annecatren@comcast.net>

Good Morning Ms. Catren,

Thank you for taking the time to contact our office and for your comments. Supervisor Bronson does support a sales tax for road repair.

Kind regards,

Anissa Ramirez
Special Staff Assistant
Pima County Supervisor Sharon Bronson
District 3
520-724-8051

Check out our Facebook Page

**From:** notification@pima.gov [mailto:notification@pima.gov]

**Sent:** Friday, February 16, 2018 1:01 PM **To:** District3 < District.3@pima.gov>

Subject: Supervisor Sharon Bronson feedback form (district3@pima.gov) 2018-02-16 01:01 PM

**Submission Notification** 

Supervisor Sharon Bronson feedback form (district3@pima.gov) 2018-02-16 01:01 PM was submitted by Guest on 2/16/2018 1:01:05 PM (GMT-07:00) US/Arizona

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District\_of\_Concern Supervisor District 1 - Ally Miller, Supervisor District 2 -

Ramon Valadez, Supervisor District 3 - Sharon

Bronson, Supervisor District 4 - Steve

Christy, Supervisor District 5 - Richard Elias

**Department\_of\_concern** Transportation Department

Subject\_or\_Nature\_of\_Concern Fix our roads

**Comments** Supervisor Bronson, Every district in Pima County

needs road repairs - and now, not later. Please support

the sales tax that has been proposed (with its

restrictions and limits) and get the job done. Most of the residents whom I know are fed up with the stalemate and lack of action on the part of the Supervisors - all of whom seem to have their own agenda and do very little for the people whom they represent. This is a county wide problem and needs to have cooperation from all supervisors to make something happen. We need a reason to restore confidence in the leadership of Pima County. This would be a superb move in that direction.

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Thank you, Pima County, Arizona



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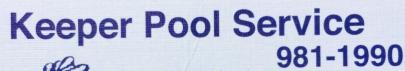
Since 2011, Mr. Ciaccio has been selected as one of The Top 100 Trial Lawyers in Arizona by the National Trial Lawyers Association. He has received the Martindale-Hubbell designation of AV Preeminent, Peer Rated for the Highest Level of Professional Excellence. In addition, he serves frequently as a faculty member for the State Bar of Arizona's course on Professionalism, has served as a Judge Pro Tempore for the Pima County Superior Court, and is selected often as a private, sole arbitrator with regard to personal injury cases in Pima County.

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## **A Few More Things**

Wes Miller Park Address	When reporting issues at Wes Miller Park to the Sheriff you will need to provide the park address. It is 4980 Hidden Valley Road.		
Newsletter Advertising	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.		
New Neighbors Welcome	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.		
Next Board Meeting	Our next board meeting is Monday, February 26th 7PM hosted by the Cinquemanis – $4535$ E Rockcliff Rd. As you know, members are always welcome.		
HVHOA Web Site	We have a website. 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 more.		
Pima County Newsletter	PIMA COUNTY Weekly Newsletter  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.		
Housing Market Reports	A BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY AFFILIATE  YEARS STRONG  Long Realty provides a variety of Housing Market Reports at this link.		
Useful Phone Numbers	Good numbers to keep on hand		
	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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