

February 2022

SAVE THE DATE

Next Sunridge Estates Annual HOA Meeting is April 10, 2022

When: 4:00 PM, Sunday, April 10, 2022Where: The Kinkel's Courtyard, 704 W Sedona Ridge Place Please bring a chair if you'd like to sit during the meeting.Please plan to attend and get to know your neighbors!



Board Member Melissa Wilson

Meet HOA Board Member Melissa Wilson

Like many residents of Arizona, Melissa Wilson is not a native. Her move was quite a bit farther than most as she moved here from Saudi Arabia. She grew up in New Jersey, wanting to be a skydiver or maybe a police officer. But after graduating from college, she went to work for her uncle's company that placed teachers internationally. It led her into a world of travel; one that few people have had the opportunity to experience.

She met her husband Larry in 1977 when they were both

teaching in Iran. The Shah of Iran was overthrown in 1978 and they had to leave the country, with Melissa heading to Norway and Larry to Saudi Arabia. Despite the distance, they married in Norway in 1979. They spent the next 25 years in Saudi Arabia before making their way to the Tucson area in 2005. They moved into their house on Soaring Hawk Place in 2015. They have two children, both boys (men now), with one residing in Phoenix and the other in Orlando, FL.

Melissa is now a real estate agent for Coldwell Banker. She likes being a Realtor® as it allows her to make her own schedule, which includes time for many hobbies. Some of these are reading, hiking, cooking, watercolors, photography and...being a board member for the Sunridge Estates II Homeowners Association, a position she has held for nearly three years. She notes that her work on the board has been fairly easy to do, even with everything else she has going on in her life.

She and Larry chose the Tucson area as they both like how sunny it is here. That said, one of her favorite places in the world is Yorkshire, England. Why Yorkshire? "It is so wild...the dales and the moors truly make it 'God's Own Country.'" She has not lost her dream of skydiving, even though she is not so sure about heights these days! That being said, one of these days, she hopes to do a tandem skydive.



Get To Know Oro Valley: Community Academy Accepting Applications

It's free and it's a great way to become an informed and knowledgeable resident!

The Oro Valley Community Academy is accepting registrations for the March 2022 program. This award-

winning program provides an opportunity for residents to learn about the community and local government. Participants have stated that "every class is interesting and engaging." This program is a great first step for anyone interested in volunteering on a board or commission, meeting neighbors or learning about their community.

Classes will be held from 6-8 PM, twice a week from March 3 to March 31. The course culminates with a graduation ceremony with Town Council on April 6, 2022. Topics include:

- Welcome and Overview of Town Governance
- Oro Valley Finances
- History of Oro Valley
- Planning for the future: Growth Trends and Economic Development
- Zoning 101 and Development Review
- Roadways and Stormwater Management
- Implementation of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan

- Town Water Resource Planning
- Public Safety

If interested, residents can register for this free program online by clicking here. Please register by **February 28**, 2022; contact Milini Simms should you have any questions.

-- Submitted by: Milini Simms, AICP Principal Planner Community & Economic Development Department Town of Oro Valley 520.229.4836



Before You Send a Complaint to the HOA about a Neighbor...

We know the past couple of years have been stressful. Everyone is feeling the strain and sometimes our fuses get a little short. However, your Board is asking residents to *please* take a deep breath, give your neighbors the benefit of the doubt, and talk with each other before

launching an email complaint to the HOA.

We've had a couple of unfortunate incidents in the past few months. In light of these, the Board asks the following:

1. Before you send a complaint to the Board, please talk directly with your neighbor and try to resolve your differences between the two of you rather than escalating the matter first to the Board. The HOA Board is staffed with volunteers who are also residents of the community. These volunteers donate their time for the betterment of Sunridge Estates; Board members are not employees. Their time saves the HOA money because the HOA does not have to pay for a management company (which the HOA has done in the past).

 Please do not place anonymous notes, signs, etc. in neighbors' mailboxes or front doors or anywhere else. There is no room for anonymous, negative communications in this community and it will not be tolerated. Please note that such violations have been, and will be, reported to the Oro Valley Police Department.
Finally, it's sad that we have to even post this in our newsletter, but we hope that by doing so, neighbors will begin talking to each other, overlook their small differences, and become allies in maintaining a friendly, welcoming neighborhood.

Electronic Billing a Success! But, If You Haven't Paid ... Please Do!



Our first-ever electronic billing went out in early January and had a 75 percent success rate, which is awesome! Ebilling saves our Association postage costs. We are working on setting up electronic payment as well and will keep you posted on the progress.

If you haven't already paid your Annual HOA Dues (\$140), please check your email for an invoice from the HOA's

bookkeeper, Loretta (Louri) Dominguez. Please mail your check to: Sunridge Estates HOA, 7320 LaCholla #154-314, Tucson, AZ, 85741.



Maya and Reilly Koppy

Meet Maya and Reilly Koppy!

Let's meet two small dogs: Maya and Reilly. While the two females are different in appearance, they form their own pack. The leaders of that pack are Brian and Kathy who live on Silver Eagle Court.

Reilly is a three-year-old Westie – Schnauzer mix. She has a lot of tomboy mixed in. While she likes to snuggle

(and will find any crook in your body to nestle in) she would rather be hunting in the backyard. Once a lizard or rat is flushed from a hiding place, as Brian said, "The rodeo is on! The critters seldom make it to eight." Her explorations aren't always successful and one time a rattlesnake got the better of the deal. Some very expensive trips to the vet followed. Reilly also has the trait of 'selective hearing'. Call her and she may come, but maybe not. Call her when rattling dog food in her bowl and she is on her way.

Maya is seven and the alpha of the pack. She is a Shih Tzu – cattle dog mix. Maya is a sweet girl who seems softer in personality than her sister, more of a lady and less of a hunter, but Maya keeps Reilly in order when possible terror looms. She wants to know where Kathy and Brian are and follows them around the house. When called, she will come running. One of her favorite activities is sunning in the back yard along and chasing away big birds. She also loves cuddling and is very content just laying against a warm leg.

Both dogs like to do regular dog stuff: Play with their toys, play together, eat, sleep, sleep some more and maybe do a simple trick or two. They also love traveling on RV trips.

Kathy and Brian have had dogs for 27 years and love the companionship they provide. Brian noted, "They are always happy to see you, whether you have been away for a few days, or just a couple of hours. They will bring you a toy as a gift... they won't let you have it, but they will bring it to you."

-- Written by: Michael Theis

Have a pet you'd like to feature in the newsletter? Please contact Michael Theis and he'll respond to set up a time to interview you and take pictures of your pet(s)!



HOA Website Saves Time

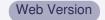
The website continues to prove to be a time-saver and a great communications tool. Most residents make the website their go-to resource for HOA documents. Further,

we're pleased to share that when residents submit an architectural review request, they receive a fast (usually within hours) response.

Sunridge Estates HOA Board:

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