



Casa Paloma I

Home Owners' Association

Newsletter

October 2018

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Social Life in Casa Paloma 1

Circle These Dates

We start this newsletter off with a Fall Calendar. Please note these dates and plan to join in.



Tuesday	October 9	at 9:00 a.m.	HOA Board meeting	CP1 Recreation Center
Friday	October 19	at 5:30 p.m.	Potluck	CP1 Recreation Center
Friday	November 2	at 10:00 a.m.	Ladies' Tea	CP1 Recreation Center
Friday	November 2	at 10:00 a.m.	Men's Corn Hole Game	Near Shuffleboard area
Tuesday	November 13	at 9:00 a.m.	HOA Board meeting	CP1 Recreation Center
Thursday	November 22	at 5:00 p.m.	Potluck	CP1 Recreation Center
Friday	December 7	at 10:00 a.m.	Ladies' Tea	CP1 Recreation Center
Friday	December 7	at 10:00 a.m.	Men's Corn Hole Game	Near Shuffleboard area
Tuesday	December 11	at 9:00 a.m.	HOA Board meeting	CP1 Recreation Center
Tuesday	December 25	at 5:00 p.m.	Potluck	CP1 Recreation Center

The **HOA Board meetings** are open to all residents. This is a good place to hear news of what's going on and have opportunity for discussion. At the end of each meeting, the microphone is passed Round Robin style to each attendee in turn to introduce themselves and share anything that's on their minds.

Please note that **October 27 is the White Elephant Parade**, and La Canada will be cut off from about 8:00 until noon. If you will need to leave during that time, be sure to get your car out

and parked at the Methodist Church or Esperanza early before the street is closed.

The monthly **Potlucks** are just for fun. It's nice to sit around a table of perhaps old friends or perhaps people you don't know yet. The food is always yummy, and many stick around to play a game together. The sign-up chart for the next potluck is always posted on the bulletin board under the patio roof by the pool. If you would like to be part of the planning committee for this, you may contact **Val VanRooy** at 406-231-1074.

Bonnie Piehn and Phyllis Westberg plan a monthly **Ladies' Tea** in the recreation center from 10:00-12:00 a.m. This is a relaxed time of going around the room, getting acquainted with all who attend while enjoying sumptuous desserts. The desserts are brought by different gals each month.

The **Men's Corn Hole Game** is at the same time as the Ladies' Tea, but just outside the rec center. The men will test their throwing accuracy by tossing the beanie through the Corn Hole. I would be surprised if there isn't something delicious for the men, too. These are great times to get acquainted with neighbors in a relaxed, easy way.

The neighborhood-wide **Yellow Ribbon Sale** is being planned again for this March, so be thinking about the things you might wish to sell. \$2 per participating household will pay for city-wide advertising for our event. Plan to participate. It's a fun day outside, "cruising" the neighbors' yards. The person coordinating the sale is **Teri Stevenson**. Her phone number is 517-414-4329.

News from the CP1 Board

A Word from HOA President, Don Nelson

As the HOA President, my responsibility is to this community. I want to welcome new residents and lend a helping hand where I can be of help. If you are new to Casa Paloma 1, you may find Barb and me on your doorstep one day to introduce ourselves and give you a welcome packet. We'd like to get to know each and every one, owners and renters alike.

We are a mostly retired community, and we want to make it a happy, relaxed and enjoyable place. I would like to see this HOA be one of the best and friendliest in Green Valley. So I urge you to get to know your neighbors and help one another as needs come up and you are able. *Everybody can do something for somebody.*

HOA News

CP1 Web Site: Check out our Casa Paloma 1 web site at www.casapaloma1.org. You will find

answers to most of your questions about our HOA. Also listed are many services offered in our community for people who need help. For password-protected pages you can get the password from any one of the Board members.

Board Members: Here are the names of the Board members who have volunteered to serve you in making our HOA run smoothly and stay well maintained.

President:	Don Nelson
Vice President:	Ken VanRooy
Secretary:	Renee Fontaine-Ebel
Treasurer:	Genie Gordon
Member at Large:	Al Miller

New Board Members: In January, ballots will be mailed out for us to vote on two Board positions: President and Secretary. If you would like to put up a name for either of these positions, please present the name to the Nominating Committee: **Norma U'Ren** 850-292-5017 or **Susan Way** 607-434-7424

New HOA dues: Because of the rising costs of maintaining our roads (which are owned by us), maintenance of common grounds and HOA insurance, our annual HOA dues, which were \$200, will be \$220 in 2019. But even with this 10% raise, our dues are still a bargain. They remain among the lowest dues of any housing development in Green Valley, and they pay for resurfacing our roads, weekly landscape maintenance on all communal areas and much more.

Cars and Pedestrians: One of our residents told me she almost got creamed by a car coming out of its driveway one day. Remember to look for pedestrians before backing out.

Stop Signs and Speed Limits: Stop signs have been added at two intersections of our streets. These need to be observed as we've had some near collisions. Also please keep your speed down on our streets. The alternative is speed bumps, and we'd like to avoid that nuisance.

Trash Pick-up: CP1 has a contract with Waste Management for three more years, giving us a reduced rate in our trash pick-up bills. This

contract includes pulling up and emptying your in-ground can, so feel free to use it if you use Waste Management.

Landscaping: Veliz Landscaping continues to maintain our communal landscape and is doing an excellent job. They will soon be working on the fall trimming, starting with the palo verdes, which are producing their seed pods. The small palm trees will be trimmed soon after. The dumpster will be here for two weeks starting November 1st.

Veliz is bonded, licensed and insured, and would be more than happy to work for you, too, if you need help with your landscaping. You can get them by calling **George at 270-3980** or **Andres at 869-4821**.

NOTE: If you leave your house for the summer, please have someone lined up to trim your shrubbery while you are away. Without being trimmed after the monsoons, overgrown shrubbery can really make a mess.



Rattlers: This is the time of year the rattlesnakes are looking for warm places to sleep. If one has decided to sleep in your patio, you may call the **Fire Department** or **911** or **629-9200**. They come

pretty fast to remove the snake and relocate it.

Don't be afraid to call 911 for anything that looks suspicious or dangerous to your neighborhood.

Lock Boxes: For residents who leave their home for a few weeks or months, or who live alone and wouldn't have anybody to help if they fell, a strong lock box holding the key to your house would be a good safety feature for you. The only ones who can get into your lock box would be the GVFD firefighters and paramedics, and only in case of an emergency call. You can purchase the box (\$50) by calling the **Fire Prevention Office** at **625-9438** from Monday to Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **Harold Shane** (376 Sonador, phone **648-0762**) is willing to install it for CP1 residents free of charge. Otherwise the Fire Dept. will install it for a charge of \$25.

Architecture: Recently one of our CP1 residents had a very unpleasant experience when their roof began leaking during the monsoon rains, damaging the ceiling and walls as well as the roof over their bedroom and calling for lengthy repairs. So here's our tip of the month: treat any water leak immediately, no matter how small. Even if you can't see it, it is probably doing damage inside the walls.

Any time you leave your home for longer than a day, it's a good idea to turn off the main water supply to the house while you are gone. If you don't know where the valve is or how to operate it, anyone on the architectural committee can help you (if your neighbor doesn't know).

Burst hoses from your washing machine or a sink, dishwasher or toilet also cause surprise flooding. If you have to replace such a hose, the best kind to get is a hose with the wire braiding on the outside.

If you do have the misfortune of having major flooding in your home, it's wise to call your insurance company and a restoration company sooner rather than later. Getting the walls and cabinets dried out within 24 hours can save thousands of dollars in repairs and mold removal. *(Submitted by Jerry Miel 10/1/2018)*

Lamplighters: Our lamplighter, **Ken McBride** at **777-5640**, will replace burned out bulbs in our streetlamps free of charge. You may, of course, replace your own. If you do, bulbs need to be less than 60W. Also, please call Ken if your streetlamp is not going off during the day.

Committee Volunteers: Volunteers make it possible for us to manage our own HOA, and we are proud of each one who serves. See the endnote of this newsletter for a list of committees. If you'd like to help on any committee, you are welcome to contact them. In any case, please give them a big THANK YOU.

Neighbors Helping Neighbors

Sympathy: If you learn that a neighbor is ill or has passed away, please call our Courtesy

Chairperson, **Barbara Nelson**, at **425-761-9566** or email her at donbear@comcast.net. She sends out cards and can arrange other types of help if they need it.

Prayer Team: The Casa Paloma 1 Prayer Team prays daily for the needs of the people in our neighborhood. Contact one of the following with your prayer request, which will be kept entirely confidential: **Ranae Hamby** at 625-7041
Jerry Miel at 370-7258
Nancy Schultheiss at 625-2247.

CP1 Bible Study: We will be starting a Bible Study at 417 Calle del Diablo on Tuesday morning, November 13 (time and location are negotiable). This is a non-denominational, let-the-Bible-speak-for-itself overview called *The Story of Hope, God's Big Story*. Anyone who is interested is welcome. Please call **Shirley Miel** at **908-7122**.



A new Book Club: Anyone interested in joining a book club please contact **Norma U'Ren** at 850-292-5017 or email her at yachtcouple@gmail.com We will try for Tuesday or Thursday once a month at my house, 344 Sonador. How about it?

Community News You Can Use

Green Valley Council

Green Valley is not an incorporated city. It's run by Pima County. The Green Valley Council was formed to address our local corporate concerns before the County. The Council includes representatives from all the Pima County departments and from all the Green Valley HOAs and others. The Council meets the **3rd Thursday of the month** (September to May) from **8:30 to 10:00 a.m.** at **Desert Hills Recreation Center**. Everyone is welcome to attend these meetings. They feature special speakers and can be quite informative.

Our representative to the Green Valley Council meeting on September 20 was Don Nelson. He reports that the main topic of discussion was Proposition 463, a \$430 million bond initiative to repave Green Valley Roads. The speaker said if this bond passes, Pima County *will* begin repaving our roads by the end of this year. If it does not pass, there will be no repaving here until 2021. The Council strongly advises us to vote for the measure.

You can learn about the Green Valley Council at www.gvcouncil.org. At that same web site you can also access an **online Medical Directory** of all available health care services in our area. Check it out.

President	Don Nelson
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Current Committee leaders:			
Social Chairman	Carole Rusch	Courtesy	Barb Nelson
Landscape Maint.	Harold Shane	Locator	Valeria Van Rooy
Neighborhood Watch	Tom Scarlett	Lamp Lighters	Ken McBride
Legislative	Dick Peterson	Newsletter	Shirley Miel
GVC Delegates	Marlene Charron	Architecture	Al Miller, Jerry Miel, Mike Zelenak
Web Maint.	Dick Peterson		
Nominating Committee	Norma U'Ren, Susan Way	Rules Enforcement	Don Nelson, Ken VanRooy

The Casa Paloma 1 Newsletter is printed 2-3 times a year. If you have news to add, or ideas, articles or comments of interest to all of us, you may call **Shirley Miel** (417 Diablo, Ph. **908-7122**) or send your email to smiel@uim.org. Thank you for your input.