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## PROFILES.....

Agustin Leon.....Our Radio Operator was born and raised in the little town of Pitiquito, Sonora, which is located 4 miles south of Caborca and is green farmland. Quite a contrast to the desert at Cholla Bay. Agustin has lived in Penasco/Cholla Bay for three years and was on the Puerto Penasco Police Department for three years.

He is married to Maria Dolores and they have 3 sons; Luis Alejandro 5 anos, Jesus Alberto 3 anos, Oscar Alonzo 2 anos.

When asked what the members could do to help him provide better radio services, he suggested that we speak slowly when calling on the radio.

Agustin has one wish - and that is to be everybody's friend. Well Agustin, we are sure that your wish is answered. Thanks for doing a fine job and for being "our friend."

## SUNDAY MORNING TRAGEDY

Glenice Marek

February 22, 1981 - 2 a.m. - Cholla Bay

The J. L. Wilkerson house next to us completely burned. Some of their friends were using the house and at 2 a.m. there was pounding on our door - "Get out quick, our house is on fire". I got in my car, clad only in a nightgown and went for Patty and Ramon Perez. Luis, who had been patrolling and saw the blaze, already had awakened them and had them up. I'm glad he was not following me or I would have gotten a speeding ticket. As I drove back toward our house, I could see the blaze was so bad that I didn't dare take my car home, so I parked in front of the curio shop and ran from there. While I was gone, Frank had gotten all of the butane away from the house.

I wish I was one of those people that run around barefooted because my feet were bleeding and I was so nauseated. I finally realized that I had some clothes in the car - as we had packed that evening for our return to Phoenix. I went back to the car and found some clothes. When I returned to the house, Ramon, Jr. had thrown two burning mattresses out of the window and moved our sand buggy out of the boathouse. The fire truck came out from Puerto Penasco, but Ramon and his water boys already had our place under control. About 4 a.m. they ran out of water and went back to town for refills. Little blazes kept flaring up in the debris while they were gone. Luis, the patrolman kept digging in the debris, while Patty, June and Ralph Wilkerson carried buckets of water from 4 houses. At daylight I could see Patty was barefooted and only in a nightgown and robe so I



finally got her a pair of slippers. Ramon kept the water truck parked in front of the house all morning and Luis stayed a few hours putting out little fires. If this had all happened the night before when the wind was blowing, I'm sure it would have taken several houses and I'm sure that our house would have been lost if Ramon had not had water in his truck and came to our rescue.

Most of our clothes, and most of our bedding, and two beds were lost, but we are so thankful that no one was hurt. Ramon Jr. burned his hand, Ralph Wilkerson tripped and fell on some tin, but neither injury was serious.

We wish to thank everyone who worked so hard to save our home. We can still live in it while it is being repaired. Fire is so frightening - please be careful.

WHO'S CATCHING WHAT - OR -  
IS ANYBODY CATCHING ANYTHING?

Call your fish stories and catch information to Will Williams (BANANA BOAT) and he will give us a report for the CHATTER so we can find out "Who's catching what OR is anybody catching anything?" Thanks Will - we're looking forward to this one.

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Over the week-end of March 28th, there were Flounder and Red Snapper brought in on the BANANA BOAT and Grouper on the OSO.

HAPPENINGS AT THE POINT  
Marie MacGill

Seemed like "Old Home Week" at the Point on our last visit. Elaine Blackman, Hal and Evelyn McKenzie, Al and Claudette Owens, Gene and Dee Miller, Bill and Babe Yonkers were there. Just missed Frank and Walda Peterson and Al Wilson. Zula Olivier had just left. Butch and Ethel Heldt stopped by for a visit, George and Lillian Panek and George's sister, Lillian spent an evening on the Point. We planned the greatest fishing trip - but the water went on one of its rampages the next morning and we had to cancel.

Lou and Mary Parker's son Harold was married to Barbara Carlson on Valentine's Day, in a beautiful garden setting at Trudy Murphy's Scottsdale home and are residing in Tempe. Congratulations!

C B S C  
FISHING DERBY  
1981

May 16-17  
May 23-24

HOT DOGS - CHILI BEANS  
May 24

SAILFISH AND DOLPHIN  
May 16 to September 6

PHOENIX CHAPTER GENERAL MEETING  
Marie MacGill

If you want an evening of fun and laughter just come to the Hunan Restaurant, 1575 E. Camelback, 7:30 p.m., second Wednesday of each month - and you will have just that!

Mr. Roy Williams, President of Scuba Sciences, Inc. presented the program on scuba diving which included a film on a diving trip at Belize on the Yucatan Peninsula.

President, Paul Schoonover reported that he and a group have installed a VHF on top of the mountain at Puerto Penasco. It is working as they talked with another radio operator 110 miles away. Paul reminded us that Channel 16 is for emergency only.

Jim Westfall of Ship's Stores is sold out of tide calendars, but has some more on order. Jim also gave a word of warning about keeping your boat's gas tanks full to prevent condensation. He is "the voice of experience."

Mr. Herbert Ewens, a member of several years, was at the meeting. New members Stan and Marty "Mar Segundo" Aungst, Jean and Bill Reed....welcome aboard and please return. Velma Fulton is feeling better after recovering from that auto accident. Nice to see you again too....Alice Taylor is recovering from surgery, Verlene Barber has been ill - but is feeling better now.

Ruth Ann Woodward has added another talent to her already lengthy list - she now has a certificate in scuba diving. Congrats!!!!

Door prizes were won by Ed Daley, a junk bag, Jack Ebert, Stow-away Gear bag, Bill MacGill, water jug, Marie Macgill, Air-pot, Stan Aungst, night fishing lite.

Next month's meeting program will be presented by Stephen Vanover on the care of engines. Should be very interesting and informative - - See you ALL there!

COMING UP . . .

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Irene Drake

Some of our members took advantage of the opportunity to enjoy a steak dinner before the last meeting. Those of you who enjoy a good meal - join us next time!

Del and Mildred Heims introduced their guests from Iowa, Harold & Hedrig Johnson.

Capt. Mickey McGee, Tucson Fire Department demonstrated the "fire triangle" and how gas travels downward causing an explosion. A drop of gasoline can make your ears ring, so imagine what a large amount can do to a boat or a cabin. He recommended that boats carry 2 fire extinguishers, of a least 5 lbs. and that they be checked often.

We were pleased to have Butch and Ethel Heldt, Bob and Myra Neal, Marie and Lester Babcock, Alice and Don Christianson, Jerry and Barbara Croy, Bill Helbig, Louie Boch, and Mary Simpson. Sure was nice having all of these nice folks there and we hope to see them next time. Our program will be facts and slides on various creatures, presented by Steve Makey of the U of A.

Door prizes were won by Pete Scott, a director's chair (this made him perk up - He's been sick). Hohlenkamp Automotive donated an ice chest to be raffled off with proceeds being donated to the orphanage.

Thanks to Agustin, Ramon Perez, Luis, and the Penasco Fire Dept. a disaster was avoided. Ramon could use some high pressure nozzles on his hoses in an emergency such as this. We understand that Ramon does not charge for his water that he uses in emergencies. Our sincere thanks to all of these fine people.

Mary Brown explained the BIG 10 to members - and she should know all about it as she has completed one card and with one more fish - number two coming up.....We are all very proud of you Mary!

Our hopes and prayers are with Patty and her father for a quick recovery.

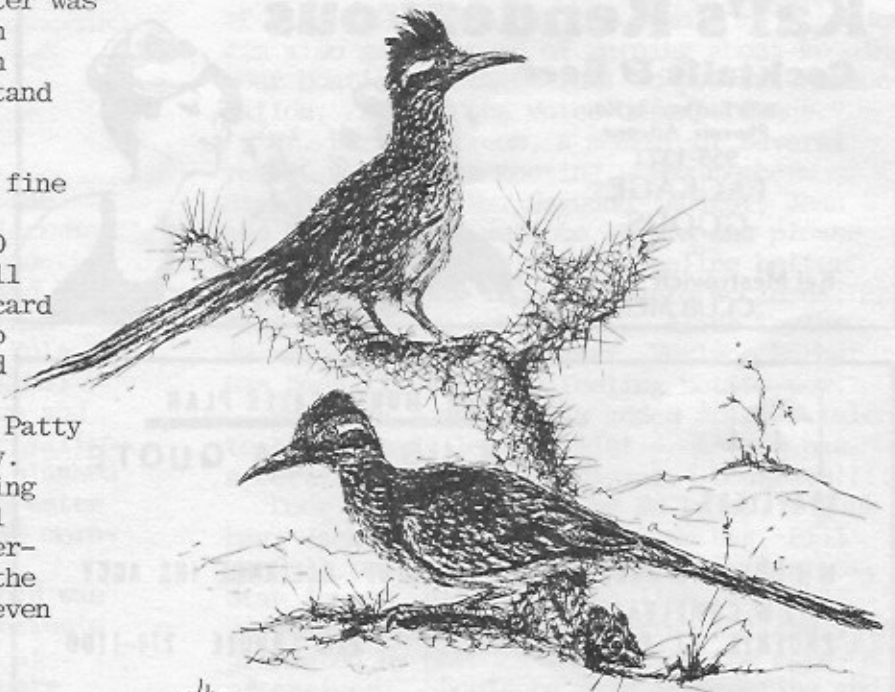
Parting note - I'm always letting my mouth overload my \_\_\_\_\_ - well Del Heims helped me put my foot in deeper - all for a good laugh...so come to the next meeting...it may be a Dr. or even a President!!

TOP OF THE HILL VIEWPOINTERS  
Thelma Brown

Such terrific weather in Cholla! February was just lovely - with many old friends there to enjoy it. Bingo was February 18th, Yours truly and Glenice Marek were co-hostesses. Bingo was called in honor of Ida Bourland who is an "old timer" and was visiting Cholla Bay. The flu bug raised it ugly head in the bay and knocked a few down for a while. The Wallaces and Horns are enjoying their stay - had somewhere around 30 people visiting - all at the same time? Hannah and Bogie Jordan, Chuck and Joan Tulley, Evie Busfield and her daughter visiting the bay again. Cliff and Virgie Burrows have been entertaining friends from Oregon. It was nice to see Christi, Jim and Christopher Chapman again. The Berrys were here too - first time in a few years that all the cabins from Berry's to Tully's were occupied at the same time.

March came in like a LION....Such a display of lightning! Cholla had two days of rain and of course the wind that comes with it. The bay was covered with white caps. Heard there was some damage to some cabins from the wind - it really was a big blow!

Message to Alice Taylor - We all wish you a speedy recovery and want you to hurry back to the bay - you've been gone too long.



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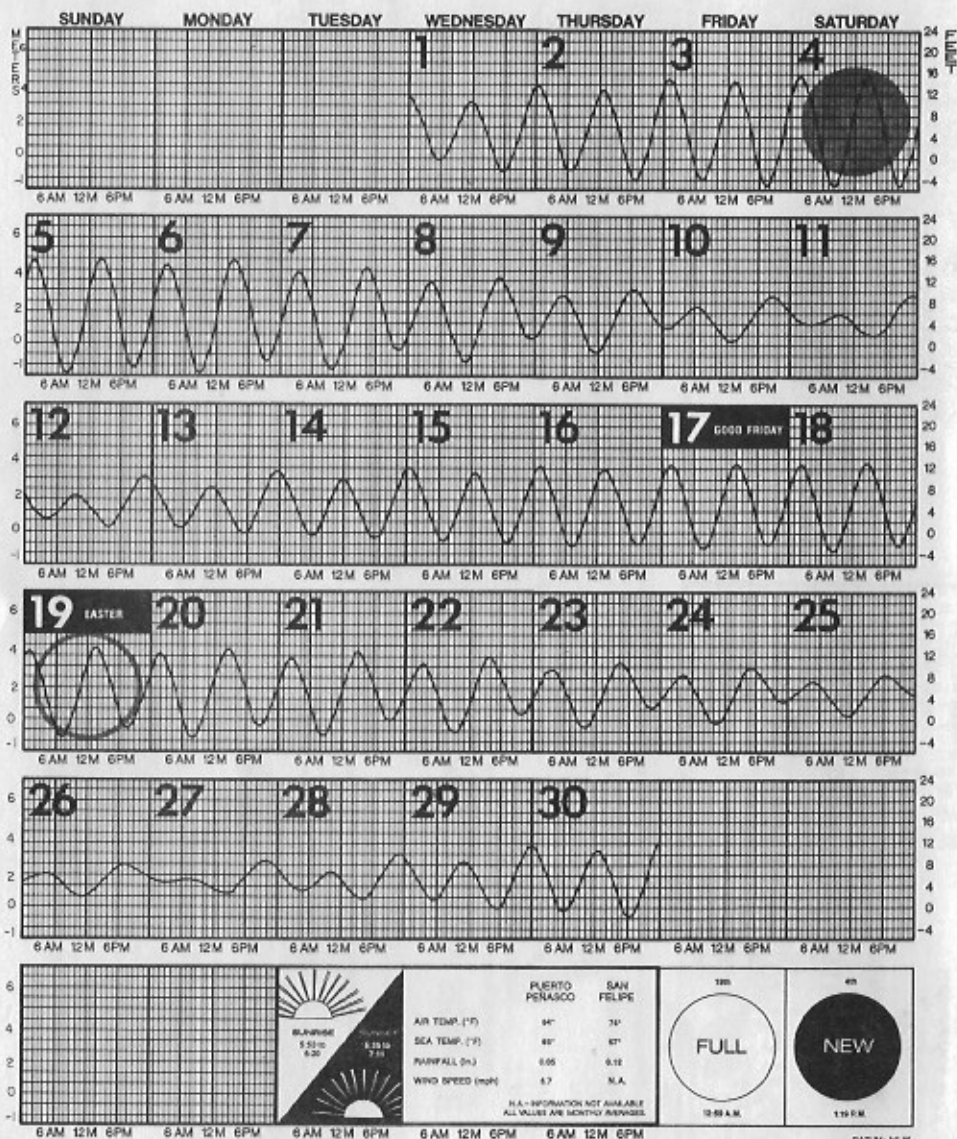
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