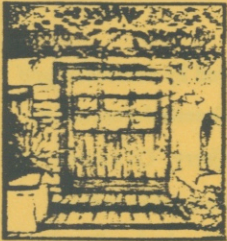


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**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

January 13th - Tuesday - Cholla Chapter Meeting - LaCuerva -

Happy Hour about 5:00, Dinner and Meeting about 6:00

January 17th - Council Meeting 9:00 AM at club house

January 17th - Tucson Chapter Meeting in Cholla Bay at Shirley Reid's Casa. See separate article below

Jan. 18th - Home Show in Cholla - 12:00 - 3:00. See Page 4

January 20th - Red Hat Luncheon - see article Page 3

Each Monday - Bridge at the Cholla Cafe. Notify Nancy Schmidli (382-5036) or Jo Barnes (382-5086) if you plan to play. 12:30 - Go early if you plan to eat before bridge.

## HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

### TUCSON CHAPTER NEWS

by Shirley Reid

There will be a meeting of the Tucson Chapter of the Sportsmen's Club on Saturday, January 17th. This will be in CHOLLA BAY at Shirley Reid's Casa (#208) at 5:00 P.M. It's above Tucson Beach by the stairs that go down to the beach. It'll be a pot-luck, BYOB. For more information call Shirley in Tucson at 326-1090 or in Cholla Bay 382-5208. Come on Tucson Chapter - let's try to get together and have a good time in Cholla Bay.

### CHOLLA CHAPTER NEWS

by Pat Goodin

Hello everyone and Happy New Year 2004!!!

We had a turkey dinner with all the trimmings at our December meeting, which was held at the club house. Officers were "elected", as usual by acclamation, as only one person "volunteered" for each office. I didn't make it to the November meeting, but found out I had "volunteered" to be secretary again. Come on, gang, give me a break! Next year someone else please volunteer. So, life goes on in Cholla Bay. But, if you haven't seen the club house, you've gotta get on down here and see it. The expansion is going great and what a good sized room we have now. We should have space for everyone now at all the meetings, both CBSC and OBSC. There's just no place like Cholla Bay, Right?

Our January meeting will be the 2nd Tuesday of January - the 13th - and will be at LaCuerva Restaurant. We haven't been there for a meeting in years, so we hope everyone can get out to the meeting. The food is consistently good there, as we all know. The February meeting will be on Saturday, February 21st at the Club House. No details available at this time. Look for more information in next month's issue of the "Chatter"

### THOUGHT FOR TODAY

No man was ever shot by a woman while he was doing dishes!

**HEALTH TIP FROM DONNA**

**POSITIVE THINKING AND MEDITATION**

Scientific studies have shown that positive thinking and meditation create amazing results towards good health...Just as any vehicle requires an intelligent driver, so the body needs a balanced mind that can stay in control. Regular MEDITATION will help you achieve this; your mind will become clearer and more focused, and your ability to concentrate will improve. To meditate, focus on breathing. Turning your attention to breathing moves you naturally toward relaxation and meditation. Breath is the link between mind and body. The simplest way to develop your breathing is to observe your breath without trying to alter it in any way. Here are some basic instructions:

1. Sit in a comfortable position with back straight and your eyes slightly closed and clothes comfortably loosened.

2. Focus your attention on your breathing and follow the contours of your breathing. Inhalation and exhalation, noting if you can, the points at which one of the phases changes into the other.

Do this for five minutes each day. This is a basic form of meditation to harmonize body, mind and spirit.

POSITIVE THINKING will purify the intellect, and you will begin to experience wisdom and inner peace. WISHING YOU GOOD HEALTH IN THE NEW YEAR, AND HOPE YOU HAD HAPPY HOLIDAYS.

**KEN'S TRIVIA**

What is the distance between the up-rights of the goal posts, according to NFL rules?

*The friend...*

*When we honestly ask ourselves which person in our lives means the most to us, we often find that it is those who, instead of giving much advice, solutions, or cures, have chosen rather to share our pain and touch our wounds with a gentle and tender hand. The friend who can be silent with us in a moment of despair or confusion, who can stay with us in an hour of grief and bereavement, who can tolerate not knowing, not curing, not healing and face with us the reality of our powerlessness, that is a friend who cares.*

*-Henry Nouwen, "Out of Solitude"*



**CBSC CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR OUR MEXICAN FAMILIES**

by Nancy Schmidli

Saturday, December 20th was a glorious day in Cholla Bay. The weather was absolutely beautiful. And – the new addition to the clubhouse was ready for use. Donna Wilhite and Tere Wilson and I decorated on Friday to make it look as Christmasy as we could, and the Christmas lights had already been installed by Pat Sledge and Lew Felton on the new section

Santa (Sal Otanez) and Mrs. Santa (Tere Wilson) arrived by decorated golf cart this year, as the sleigh was unavailable. I think the Greens decorated it). The cart was loaned by Jerry McClung. Thanks so much Jerry. Of course, the children all rushed to meet and greet "The Clausess" as soon as they came in sight. After Santa and Mrs. Santa were finally seated inside, the Las Pasadas was sung and then the children were admitted and rushed to get a visit with Santa. They received a candy cane from Mrs. Santa and a Beany Baby from the elves (Isabel, Sai & Enedina's granddaughter and her friend Veronica). They were so cute!! Debbie Grabske, Jo Barnes, Chuck Paine and Rick Schwartz did an outstanding job of taking the pictures of each child with Santa. With the help of Pat Susong, Alma Morales and Norma Nunez, they then put the pictures in frames made by Linda Eager, and then decorated the frames. They also made another craft, assisted by some of the Mexican moms, and then got to choose an article of jewelry and then take them to be wrapped by Roger Grabske, who did a great job. This proved to be a popular activity.

Two hundred hot dogs and packages of chips were served by Don Schmidli and his crew, Al Grijalva, Shirley Peterson, Alan Peterson, Pat Goodin and Roger Grabske. We had more people than usual, and ran out of everything except children!!

Thanks to Agustin for being the M.C. and to Alan Peterson who sets up the speaker system, among other things.

The children's choir sang and some of the girls performed a dance. Then it was off to the pinatas, a most favorite activity! Alan and Shirley Peterson donated and stuffed the pinatas and Alan put up the ropes for them, as they do each year. After this, the families returned home to wait the delivery of the food boxes and toys. Assisting in this were Bill and Pauline Shelby, Jo Barnes, Chuck Paine, Rick Schwartz, Enedina Otanez, Don & Nancy Schmidli. Delivering is just the greatest fun and so rewarding, because the families are out in front of their homes waiting for Santa. Those who helped wrap gifts and stuff food boxes were: Linda Eager, Pauline Shelby, Joann Dawn, Donna Wilhite, Jo Barnes and Chuck Paine. Al Grijalva helped with the food shopping. Chuck Dernberger collects all the boxes for us each year and puts them together. Many thanks, Chuck.

Diane Bennett, the toy chairperson, purchased or collected most of the toys and wrapped, packaged and labeled them. Many thanks Diane for all the great work to help make this party very special. The party is not only made special, but made possible by the generous donations and hard work of many people. (See continuing article on page 5 for names).

COOK'S CORNER

Recipe from Nancy Schmidli

**Deluxe Sour Cream Coffee Cake:**

Preheat oven to 350.

- 1/2 cup shortening
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 3 eggs
- 2 cups sifted flour
- 1 tsp. baking powder
- 1 tsp. soda
- 1/2 pt. sour cream
- 6 TBS butter, softened
- 1 cup brown sugar, firmly packed
- 2 tsp. cinnamon
- 1 cup chopped nuts

Cream shortening, sugar and vanilla thoroughly. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each. Sift flour, baking powder and soda together. Add to creamed mixture alternately with sour cream, blending after each addition. Spread 1/2 of this batter into a 10" tube pan or bundt pan that has been greased and floured (or you can grease and line a tube pan with waxed paper)

Cream butter, brown sugar and cinnamon together, then add nuts and blend well.

Sprinkle 1/2 of the nuts/sugar mixture over the batter in the pan. Cover with the remaining batter and sprinkle remaining sugar mixture on top.

Bake at 350 for 50-60 min. or until done. (Need to test. Find times vary at different altitudes).

RED HAT LUNCHEON

by Pat Goodin

I don't know yet if we'll be starting a Cholla Bay chapter of the Red Hat Society. Probably not, but we thought it would be fun to wear red hats, and purple blouses, shirts or dresses and go out to lunch. It was one of those wild ideas we get once in a while. If you want to know more about the Red Hat Society, you can check out these web sites on the web: [www.wheniamanoldwoman.com](http://www.wheniamanoldwoman.com) and [www.redhatsociety.com](http://www.redhatsociety.com)

If you want to join us for the lunch, please call if possible, so that we can make reservations if we have a lot of people. But, the date is January 20th, and it'll be at LaCuerva about 1:00 P.M. You can phone me at 382-5056 if you want to attend.

"LET'S GO FISHING"

by Don Schmidli (Hum Bug)

As Rosario Villa likes to say, Let's Go Fishing", but make sure you and your boat are "Ship Shape" and SAFE. As a result of the tragic deaths of five fisherman, there are increased enforcement of safety rules. This has caused some delays in launching, but are well worth reviewing.

**Points to consider:**

- 1. Have a working VHF radio tuned to channel 26. This channel has a repeater which is maintained by the CBSC.**
- 2. If at all possible, having a "Buddy Boat" is a grand ideal**
- 3. Have Coast Guard approved flotation devices for each person on board.**
- 4. Be sure to complete a launch permit. If you launch in Cholla, your launcher will have you complete a launch permit, telling your destination, heading and approximate time of return. Also, whom to contact in an emergency. If you launch from other areas, be sure to follow this procedure so someone will know where you are going.**
- 5. Boaters must also have a license for the boat. Cost is figured on the length of the boat. Fishermen must also have an individual license. Fishermen have been stopped on the "high seas" to check on the above requirements. They are for your own safety.**

There have been enquiries about the 2004 CBSC fishing derby. Sid Palmer and Brad Moen have agreed to be co-chairmen for this event.

**THANKS, GUYS. HAPPY AND SAFE FISHING TO ALL!!**

FOOD TIPS

Use powdered sugar instead of flour when rolling out cookies. They will be crisper and tastier.

To soften marshmallows, place them in a plastic bag and then dip them in some hot water.

(I got these off the internet, so if it doesn't work, it's not my fault. Haha. Pat Goodin)

Answer to Ken's Trivia

18 feet, 6 inches

**CHOLLA BAY HOME SHOW**

by Pat Goodin

**DON'T FORGET!!**

Cholla Bay's first home show is coming up - the date is January 18th, from 12:00 noon to 3:00 P.M. This is your opportunity to see some of Cholla's beautiful homes, have a great time doing it, and help to support the remodeling and expansion of the clubhouse - all at the same time!! It's being sponsored by the Old Boy's Social Club, Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club and the Vecinos, and the proceeds go to the remodeling.

Tickets will be available at the door of the Clubhouse. Six lovely homes will be in the tour. So - go to the clubhouse a bit before 12:00 and pick up your tickets and the information on the homes.

The cost is only \$10.00 per person. At the conclusion of the tour there will be an after-tour reception at the clubhouse.

See you there!

**BUNCO! BUNCO! BUNCO!**

by Shirley McDonald

Have you ever played Bunco???

If so, and you are interested in starting a group (perhaps 12 people for 3 tables), or want to sub for absentees, contact Shirley McDonald at 382-5119 or Pat Goodin at 382-5056.

The group would meet once or twice a month at different homes, with the hostess providing refreshments, usually food and drinks.

The prizes could either be provided by the hostess or each player could put an agreed upon amount of money in a kitty.

We would like to start by the end of January.

Hope to hear from you if you are interested. If you haven't played before, but are interested in learning the game and joining the group, please call us.

**WELCOME NEW MEMBER TO THE****CHOLLA CHAPTER - JONNI FRANCIS****SICK BAY**

We were so sorry to hear of the death of Bob and Barb Dammann's grandson, Zach, who passed away from the flu on December 22nd. Our sympathies go out to Bob, Barb, and their son and daughter-in-law, Karl and Cyndi. We are all thinking of you.

Sympathy also goes out to the family of Phyllis Pennington who passed away in December.

**PROMOTORA TURISTICA PLAYA ESCONDIDA S.A. DE C.V.****CHOLLA BAY HOMEOWNERS**

by Betty Moore

Christmas 2003 in Cholla Bay is now history, but by no means will it be forgotten by hundreds of families. Santa really outdid himself this year distributing food, toys, bikes, etc. You name it and Santa had it in his sack of goodies. With the help of his elves distributed everything through the Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club and J.J.'s Cantina. The over-worked elves agreed that the little faces of the receivers and the sound of the oohs and ahhs coming from them was well worth the many, many hours they had put into organizing these projects. The people behind organizing all of this really do deserve a big "Thank You" from everyone on the receiving end and that number seems to increase every year.

Needless to state, the other interest in Cholla Bay is fishing. Old man wind has done his share to keep many boats on shore this past month, but when they could go out to sea they had many good catches of grouper, red snapper, pinto, strangers, cochi, etc. When the boats were not able to launch due to the wind, the fishermen were able to satisfy their fish craves by fishing off-shore, and brought in prize catches of sea trout.

By the time you are reading this article, your resolutions for 2004 should have been made and hopefully not broken yet. We sincerely hope on of your resolutions is to spend more time in Cholla Bay during 2004. It's so nice to have all of you here.

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Helpers and Donors

Diane and Dave Bennett

Betty Rimza

Kathryn Campana

Elizabeth Feild

Jackie VanNortrick

Gerry and Dottie Nelson

Chuck Paine and Jo Barnes

Anne and Thayer Merrill

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Jean Troxel

Shirley McDonald

Lew and Agnes Felton

Sue Sledge

Victor and Leslie Rangel

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Ginger Sinanovic and Birdie

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Tere and Clarence Wilson

Sal and Enedina Otañez

Rick Schwartz

Dr. and Mrs. Hugh Hull

Lynn and Teg Freeman

Phoenix Power Squadron

Cholla Chapter & Tucson Chapter

And Thanks to my husband, Don, for all his help and to Sandy Moore for letting us use her house for packing and wrapping.

I know I have probably missed someone and I apologize, because each of you is very important. We just could not do this party without all of you.. Please let me know if I missed your name.

**Coffee Talk**

by Sally

Happy New Year! What wonderful Holiday Season we have enjoyed. Cholla Bay (and Peñasco) is always extremely peaceful between Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Thank you to all who have been so generous through the holiday season. Many have donated money for the spaying and neutering "puppy" project. We have been using the money as fast as it has been coming in for veterinary services for litters of puppies. We have, through generous help, placed 19 puppies, either with homes or humane societies in the states. I have resources for supplies for anesthetizing stray dogs so we can get them to the vet. Capturing the dogs has been the biggest challenge. If you know where there are litters of puppies please let me know so that we can give them the proper attention .

I took the advantage of the brief slow season prior to Christmas to travel. It cost 796 pesos for toll roads and 238 pesos for gasoline to go to Guadalajara (one way). We took side trips through Tequila and south to Lake Chapala. We took five days and I would recommend ten days, depending on you degree of sanity.

Life is good, so keep living the "Good Life"

### New Year's Eve

The unsponsored New Year's Eve party at the Clubhouse in Cholla proved to be a very enjoyable event, thanks to the efforts of Pat Goodin. Approximately 80 people attended and enjoyed an evening of listening and dancing to the music of Petey. Thanks, Pat, for getting Petey, it really made the evening. Everyone brought some food to share and, believe me, we had lots of food to share. With the expansion of the Clubhouse we had ample room for dancing with room to spare. It really is great and most of us made it to 12 P.M. to welcome in the New Year!!

The building committee has done an outstanding job. Rick Smith, building committee chairman, awarded the contract for remodeling to Andreas Munoz, and he and his workers have done a great job. Alan Peterson with the help of Bucky Maud was able to put up a huge I beam that allows more open space. Ken Goodin took the windows and bars out of the original wall so that they could be installed in the expansion area. Lew Felton and Pat Sledge have put up the lights along the beams, so it is very festive as well. I know there are other that have helped with various stages and it is a beautiful building that we are very grateful to have in Cholla!

If you have not been to the Clubhouse, why not plan to attend the next function there and see what a nice Clubhouse we now have.

#### *The Moon, The Sun, The Wind and The Rain*

January 2004

SUNRISE - From 7:32 to 7:28

SUNSET - From 5:41 to 6:09

FULL MOON - January - 7th

NEW MOON - January - 21st.

AVERAGE AIR TEMPERATURE 53 Degrees

AVERAGE SEA TEMPERATURE 57 Degrees

AVERAGE RAINFALL 0.35 Inches

AVERAGE WIND SPEED 5.9 MPH

#### **Invite a Friend to Join the Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club Annual Membership \$40.00**

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Thanks..... Nancy Schmidli