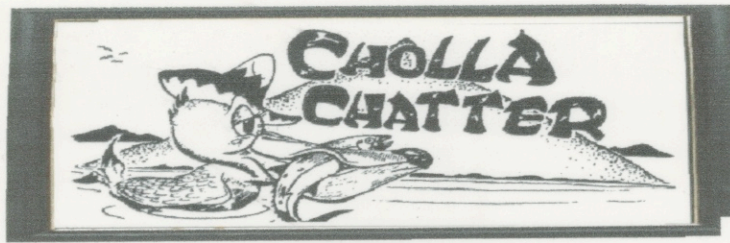
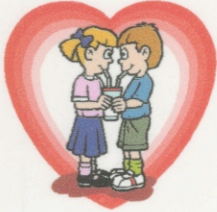


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### UPCOMING EVENTS:

February 13th - Saturday - OBSC Mardi Gras

February 21st - Saturday - Cholla Chapter Meeting - Club House - Happy Hour about 5:00, Dinner and Meeting about 6:00 - FREE for all members who have paid 2004 dues by then or at the meeting (including Tucson membes). ( See Cholla Chapter News article)

February 29th - Sunday - Leap Year Day - Wine & Cheese - Community Activity - See separate article

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 VALENTINE'S DAY

### THE KING'S ENGLISH

Sign spotted in a restroom of a London Office:

TOILET OUT OF ORDER. PLEASE USE FLOOR BELOW.

In a Laundromat:

AUTOMATIC WASHING MACHINES. PLEASE REMOVE ALL YOUR CLOTHES WHEN THE LIGHT GOES OUT

In an Office:

AFTER TEA BREAK STAFF SHOULD EMPTY THE TEA POT AND STAND UPSIDE DOWN ON THE DRAINING BOARD.

## CHOLLA CHAPTER NEWS

by Pat Goodin

I don't know where everyone was in January - guess they all went to the States to recuperate from the holidays. I know one thing - I got "partied" out myself. It was a very hectic holiday time. However, it was all fun and all the food at every event was great. New Year's Eve there was a "no host" party at the Club house, with about 75 people. It was a pot-luck, and Agapito played, and everyone had a great time. Our January meeting was on the 13th at La Cuerva, and we only had 30 people. However, those of us who did go had a good time and the food was good. The February meeting will be in Cholla at the Club house. It's to be a Soup and Salad Bar, and if you weren't at the February Meeting, read this!! It will be free for all of you who have paid your 2004 dues by then, or if you pay them that night. This will also include members of the Tucson Chapter. Others pay \$5.00. So, pay up, folks, and come to this meeting. We will have live music - Agapito will play again, and everyone loves his music. The March meeting will be at the Paraiso del Desierto on Tuesday, March 9th. Then start getting ready for the Luau - April 10th. Chef Roger, who cooked for the Luau last year will cook again. Mark it on your calendar now, so you don't forget, and watch next month for further information. We will be asking for reservations this year for the Luau.

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

Marlene Riley and Sylvia Turman

**HEALTH TIP FROM DONNA**

Because all living things deserve and need tender loving care for good health - here's a great health tip for those beautiful roses you see so charmingly sold all over Rocky Point.



1. Fill your sink with water, and while cutting the stem of your rose to fit the length of your vase, make certain you keep the stem of your rose under water.

2. Fill your vase with drinking water, add 1/4 tsp. sugar and one crushed baby aspirin to the water.

I received my rose from a friend on Tuesday evening and as I write this article on Monday, my rose is still beautiful and bringing me great joy.

I wish you and your next Rose ..... GOOD HEALTH AND TENDER LOVING CARE. Donna

**WELCOME BACK, MONICA**

by Pat Goodin

You might remember Monica from when she was here before - The Dog Groomer - (Nails 'N Tails Dog Grooming) - Well, she's back in Cholla Bay and living here permanently now. She doesn't have a phone yet, but she's trying to get one. She does have a radio and monitors Channel 26. Old friends are invited to go down and get re-acquainted, and if you don't know her, you're invited to go down and meet her. If you have a dog, then I'm sure you'll want to do that. Her house is M80-L1 -in Boracho Flats - across from Sandy Hill, and East of the unfinished church. Look for the white house with paw prints on the west side of the house. Glad you're back, Monica.

**TUCSON CHAPTER NEWS**

By Shirley Reid

The Tucson Chapter held a meeting in Cholla Bay at my house on January 17th. We had a small group but it was a good meeting. The members attending decided to hold meetings in Cholla a few times during the year.

The next meeting will be on February 21st at the Club House in Cholla. We will be joining the Cholla Chapter for a soup and salad dinner. The dinner will be free for all members who have paid (or pay at the door) their 2004 dues. Others will pay \$5.00.

The Tucson Chapter will meet in Cholla at Clarence and Teri Wilson's on March 13th for a brunch at 10:30 A.M.

So, Tucson members - LET'S TRY AND ATTEND THESE MEETINGS AND BECOME ACTIVE AGAIN!!

**COOK'S CORNER**

by Adrianna Adams

**Pork Chops Hungarian**

4 Loin Pork Chops, 3/4 in. thick

1 med. onion, thinly sliced

1/2 tsp. caraway seed

1 cup water

1/2 tsp. salt

1/2 tsp. paprika

1/4 tsp. dried dillweed

dash of garlic powder

2/3 cup dairy sour cream

Trim fat from chops. Brown chops in small amount of cooking oil in a skillet; drain excess fat. Combine onion, caraway seed, salt, paprika, dillweed, garlic powder and water. Add to skillet. Cover and cook over medium heat for 45 min. to an hour, or until pork chops are tender. Transfer chops to warm platter. Stir sour cream into meat drippings in skillet. Heat through but do not boil. Spoon sauce over chops. Makes 4 servings.

**KEN'S TRIVIA**

What was the top price for a ticket to the first Super Bowl and what was the year of the first super bowl?

Editor's Note: This is a neat article. We welcome articles such as this.

Blake Faubion (11) is the great grandson of Gladys and John Hoskins. Magaw and Hidad, as they were fondly called by their grandchildren, were some of the original "settlers" of Cholla Bay. Blake still regularly visits the cabin his great grandparents built, and loves the "Bay" and all of its treasures. The following essay was written for an assignment using different types of transition and conclusion phrases in his Language Arts class at Vista Middle School in Las Cruces, New Mexico.

**THE CHOLLA BAY TIDE**

by Blake Faubion

When the tide goes out in Cholla Bay, Mexico, people think there is nothing cool to do, but there is. First of all, there are shells like pinkies, olives, clams and a lot of others. Secondly, there are a lot of crabs that can be small or big, and colorful. Lastly, there are small fish, brittle stars and little fire worms. Obviously when the tide goes out in the second largest tidal movement in the world, it is a busy place.

**RED HAT LUNCHEON**

by Pat Goodin

Our first "Red Hat" luncheon was a success, with about 23 women wearing red hats and meeting at La Cuerva on January 20th. We had a great time and a lot of laughs, as people came in the door and looked at us sitting there in our red hats. A lot of those who came in knew about the red hat society, and some of the women belonged to a chapter in some other place.

Our next luncheon will be on Tuesday, February 24th at 1:00. The place has not yet been decided, but if you're going to be in Cholla then, get yourself a red hat and a purple blouse, dress or shirt and join us. Nancy will be putting it out on email when we determine where it'll be or you can call me at 382-5056.

**THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY**

People judge you by your actions, not your intentions.

You may have a heart of gold, but so does a hard boiled egg!

(Unknown)

If you love what you do, you will never work another day in

your life. (Confucius)



**BOATING**

**IRISH FISHERMAN'S PRAYER**

Dear Lord, Be good to me...

The sea is so wide

And my Boat is so small.

Please help out by:

Having enough gas for your destination & return

Buddy Boat

Have proper flotation devices for all passengers

Have a working VHF Radio tuned to Channel 26

If possible, have a GPS

**WINE AND CHEESE - LEAP YEAR DAY**

by Pat Goodin

This only comes once every four years, so let's celebrate Leap Year Day with a wine and cheese party. Bring a bottle of wine, some kind of cheese and a wine glass, and come to the club house about 5:00. We should have a good time, and we can share each others wine if you all want to do that.. Any excuse for a party!! See you there.

**SICK BAY**

Jerry Ketelhut has had eye surgery but doing fine now. Russ Majeski received a pacemaker. Doris Davis was in the hospital with pneumonia over Christmas but is out of the hospital now. We are sorry to hear that Spots Willis passed away.

**BEWARE!!!**

There is a young Mexican man who has been stopping vehicles near Cholla and asking for money. He has used various reasons for needing the money, such as a sister or other relative is in the hospital, someone is bringing a car part in a few minutes and he is a bit short of cash, or other stories. He might say he'll return the money tomorrow, or that you can get it from another individual, possibly someone in Cholla Bay. He seems to know names of "people" in Cholla Bay. He speaks very good English, and appears very personable. If you get stopped by this person, don't give him any money, but do try to get the make, color and model of the vehicle, and try to report it to Agustin at once if possible. We need to stop this guy!

**Answer to Ken's Trivia**

The top price for a ticket to the first Super Bowl was \$12.00. The year was 1967.

COFFEE TALK

-- by Sally

On May 15th there will be a party at Xochitl's Cholla Cafe celebrating a wonderful 10 years in the restaurant and in Cholla Bay. Everyone is invited. I would like to express my thanks to the community, which has been wonderful in supporting the restaurant. Beginning with Rosario Villa introducing me to Xochitl when I told him of my idea for a coffee house and women's hostel. Other examples are people tipping extremely generously in the early days to keep Jennifer Hudson Gorman and me afloat, or Dave eating the Dave Special every day for two years (until his quadruple bypass surgery - we won't serve the Dave Special that often to any individual again!!) People have supported the restaurant by working there for no pay (Mickey Babbitt for a long time, Sandy Moore would get there early in the mornings even before I would, Carol Smith, Pat Goodin and Estelle Maud on a busy holiday weekend), and Bogie Jordan and Nick have helped more times than I can count. J.D. has grown up helping in the restaurant, working many busy weekends, as have Sarah and Amy Lerma. Gabe and Lucian came every day for years, as did Homer West and Anna Marie, and the men's group that met in the corner every morning, and now the Bridge Club that meets once a week, and fills the building with laughter. There are many more examples, and forgive me for not mentioning them all. I appreciate all the help. It has definitely been a community effort, and has become a wonderful community center.

Also mark on your calendar a "Birthday Dinner" on Monday, February 9, at 5:00 P.M. We will be having our delicious chimichangas, enchilada style or "plain" ...come sign up at the restaurant.

Jen Rupnow, "our" local marine biologist will be going to Costa Rica on February 2, to take a file class and do research. She will be back measuring and counting fish on March 17. I have the privilege of diving with her while she does her research here, and though we don't have the colorful tropical fish of famous dive spots, it is very exciting to see a trigger fish "sleeping" in a hole on a reef, or come eye to eye with a fish with brilliant yellow lips and blue "eyebrows" staring back at me when I descent. There is so much to learn and so much that is unknown. And thus, I say, LIFE IS GOOD.... LIFE IS GRAND!!!

BUNCO! BUNCO! BUNCO!

by Shirley McDonald

Well, we started with six people on Tuesday, January 27th as a "training session" Only a few of us had played before and the others wanted to learn. We met at my house, and had a good time while learning how to play the game. We plan to continue, and will call those that we know are interested, as soon as we have a date for the next one. If you didn't sign up before and you're interested in playing, or learning to play, you can call me at 382-5119 or call Pat Goodin at 382-5056 to let us know you're interested in playing. We'll try to play about once a month at different homes. We want to try to have about 3 tables of four. When we get enough people, we'll set up the prizes, amount we'll play with and other rules, etc. Meanwhile, we'll we'll we'll try to get this game going!!

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

January 2004 has given us several of what we consider cold and windy days, but watching the weather reports from the easterly and northerly states, we are enjoying what they would call vacation weather. Just take a drive around the R.V. parks and check the license plates. About 70 % of them are here vacationing from those cold, cold states and the whole community is glad to welcome them. Even the fish are letting the tourists enjoy some terrific catches. There are too many to list, but a couple outstanding catches were brought in by the well-know fishing guide, Chino Leon, who managed to bring in a 200 pound black bass after experiencing two other monster-sized fish breaking his line. Tim Fish, a Cholla resident, brought in some of his name-sakes - two black bass, red snapper and some strangers. The climate and fishing are getting better now. All we need is for you to come and enjoy.

The tax office, located in the municipal building on Bonito Juarez, is open Monday-Friday 8:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M. They are on schedule to receive your taxes for the property you have in Cholla Bay. Take last year's receipt with you as it makes paying much easier and more efficient.

The Cholla Bay office requests you to give us your email addresses and if you have service from Telmex phone service, we need the number for our records. It makes it so much easier to get information to you when you are in the Bay. Please get the information to our office via phone 382-5050, Fax 382-5051 or mail to our office - P.O. Box 742, Lukeville, Arizona 85341. Attn: Cholla Bay Office.

Next month we will publish information on the status and progress on the bank trusts for Cholla Bay owners and Properties.

The Management

**Share a Saturday**

by Nancy Schmidli

After the OBSC Chili Cook-off in December, there was quite a lot of chili left over and Eric asked if I would like to have it to serve to Esperanza de Vida. Of course I did! So we bagged it up and froze it, along with the muffins that were also left over. Then on January 10<sup>th</sup>, Don, Yvonne Arnett and I heated it all up, added some large cans of tomatoes to it and took it, along with some cookies and oranges to the Saturday Bible School Class in the Colonials. I had messed around at home, doing heaven knows what, and so we got there just in time as the children were getting on the bus to leave. Seeing us, they quickly disembarked and crowded around to be served. We served all 10 gallons or more of chili, about 7 dozen muffins and rolls, lots of cookies and a big bag of oranges. We heard lots of "muy bueno"s which makes it all worth while.

On January 31st we will be serving the ham that was left over from the News Year's dinner, again donated by the OBSC (Dave and Diane Bennett were in charge). I have been told that the number of children has increased and to expect from 150 to 200. So if you would like to donate to this project for future use, send it to Nancy Schmidli, P.O. box 218, Lukeville, Az. 85341. We will be grateful for any donations. Thanks!!!!

**Invite a Friend to Join the  
Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club  
Annual membership \$40**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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City \_\_\_\_\_ St. \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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P.O. Box 218, Lukeville, Az. 85341  
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***The More You Know.....***

by Jo Barnes

This will be a monthly column, (if I can keep it up). I'll be profiling some of the interesting Americans and Mexicans who have helped to make Cholla Bay what it is today.



The first are Nancy and Don Schmidli. Don says of the title, "the more you know, the less you want to". Nancy and Don came to Phoenix from Colorado in 1969. They are both retired teachers now. With all they do you can't call it retirement. They came to Cholla in 1971 and had Willis Green build them a one room cabin. Like many then, they only had cold water, and only showered at mid-day or not at all. They now own a beautiful home above Tucson Beach. They have two children and three grandchildren. Don calls Nancy a Professional Grandmother.

The Schmidlis are the driving force of what goes on in Cholla. Nancy and Don wear many hats for the Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club, Cholla Chapter. Nancy is the membership chairman, co-chairman of the Chatter, co-chairman of the Mexican Children's Christmas Party and co-chairman of the CBSC Ship's Store. She writes and sends out weekly e-mails detailing coming events in Cholla and the current weather. She also helps in the kitchen when there are events held in the Club House. She's co-chairman of the weekly bridge group and she cooks and serves meals to the needy Mexicans in the barrio who attend the Saturday Bible study class called Esperanza de Vida, averaging once a month.

Don is a Board Member of the Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club, Cholla Chapter and was president for 3 years. He's the Fishing Derby weigh-master. He helps Nancy with all her endeavors (without complaining too much). He's the bartender at most of the functions at the Club House and helps in the kitchen. He helps deliver the Christmas boxes to the Cholla Mexican families. Don has been on the board of the Vecinos (Cholla Homeowners) since it's

inception, he's on the Club House expansion committee, on the board of directors of the Old Boys' Social Club and a Docent at CEDO on Wednesdays.

Nancy and Don can always use extra help, so if you want to participate in some of these activities, please contact them at Web-mail...stuffie@prodigy.net.mx or 382 5036.

**Home Tour**

**Cholla Bay's First Home Tour was an unqualified success! Sponsored jointly by the Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club, the Old Boys' Social Club and the Vecinos, Deb Vawter and Pat Lee raised close to \$2000 for the Club House. The homes on the tour which everyone enjoyed visiting were: Debbie and Roger Grabske, Ken and Ann Hartnett, Mark and Mimi Martel, John and Donna Wilhite, Shirley and Owen Kelly and Kyle and Tina Cramer. A special thanks to Colibri de Artes, Casa Bonita and Galeria del mar Bermejo for the wonderful door prizes. Please remember these businesses whether you are buying for yourself or recommending shopping places to others.**

Thanks also to Mickey Babbitt for organizing the refreshments and everyone else who helped in various ways for their time and effort.

*The Moon, The Sun, The Wind and The Rain*  
**February 2004**  
**SUNRISE – From 7:28 to 7:04**  
**SUNSET – From 6:09 to 6:31**  
**FULL MOON – February 6<sup>th</sup> – 1:47 am**  
**NEW MOON – February 20<sup>th</sup> – 2:18 am**  
**AVERAGE AIR TEMPERATURE 55 degrees**  
**AVERAGE SEA TEMPERATURE 59 degrees**  
**AVERAGE RAINFALL 0.16 inches**  
**AVERAGE WIND SPEED 7.1 mph**

**This is the dues notice for Cholla Chapter!!!**  
**If you have not paid your dues for 2004, please fill out the form on the last page and mail to the Chapter of your choice.**  
**Pay your dues....get a free dinner on Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>**