

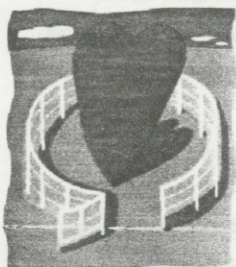
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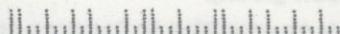
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HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 3rd - CBSC dinner at Club House

February 17th - OBSC Mardi Gras -
at Club House

February 27th - Red Hat Lunch -The
Watering Hole at the Desert Oasis

March 3rd - CBSC dinner at Club House

March 17th - OBSC St. Pat's Party - Club
House

March 27th - Red Hat Lunch - place to be
determined

April 7th - CBSC dinner at Club House

April 24th - Red Hat Lunch

UPCOMING EVENTS, cont'd

April 28th - General Meeting of Cholla Bay
Homeowner's Assoc.

April 28th - OBSC BASH

May 12th - OBSC Member's Steak Dinner

May 19th - CBSC dinner - Luau

May 22 - Red Hat Lunch

Tentative Derby Dates - More info. to follow
(Awaiting Permits)

April 13, 14, 15

May 4, 5, 6

May 24, 25, 26, 27

Hope to get back to our bridge and other
cards on Mondays soon.

CHOLLA CHAPTER

By the time you receive this, we'll have had our February dinner, so now we will be looking forward to the March one. It'll be March 3rd, and will be a pot luck at the club house. Happy Hour is 5:00, and dinner around 6:00. This one will be \$2.50 per person. Drinks are included.

RED HAT LUNCHEONS

Pat Goodin



On February 27th we'll be at the Watering Hole out at the Desert Oasis. The time is 1:00. Hope the weather warms up by then, so we can be on the patio. If not, we'll see you inside. The March one will be March 27th, but the place is still to be determined.

VECINOS QUICK NOTES

by Bucky Maud

1. The developer has installed a water line that ends near the police station, which can be used to fill water trucks sometime in the future, perhaps lowering somewhat the cost of water and providing faster service (fewer trips to Penasco).
2. There is at least some indication that the developer is working on a plan for water and sewer in Cholla - perhaps our decision to invoke the power of the State of Sonora has created some movement in this area.
3. If the developer is making moves for water and sewer, we have advised that we would seek to determine the will of the membership relating to underground electric, because water, sewer and underground electric should be installed at the same time.
4. CC&R's for Cholla rest in the city, where they have been for at least six (6) months, awaiting formal city approval (verbal approval has been given).
5. Bancomer has reopened its trust office in Penasco and is staffed by the same person - Antonio Venagas (and another person, Francisco) - that we used to deal with in Tijuana. You can pay your trust fees at the Penasco office.
6. Property and Federal Zone taxes can now be paid at the Municipal Building. Property taxes are generally higher, probably in the area of 10-20%. There is a discount of 10% if paid early, but I don't know when the cut-off date is for the discount.
7. A new WEB SITE is up and running for Cholla, developed by member Lowell McCulley. He has done a fantastic job for free, a job that would otherwise cost about \$10,000!!! Give Lowell a pat on the back and thank him. Go to www.chollabayhoa.net
8. The Vecinos need more active members like Lowell. He has given freely of his time and expertise to make Cholla a better place for all. You are encouraged to get involved in the affairs of the Vecinos!
9. Speaking of "getting involved", consider helping in one of our many committees to get a "feel" for what is going on. Consider running for the Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting in April. Info will be sent in the newsletter regarding running for the Board.
10. Finally, a BIG THANK YOU to Nancy Schmidli and Pat Goodin for all the work they do for Cholla, members and clubs. They, like Lowell McCulley, are one of a kind. So, lets all pitch in and continue to enhance our wonderful retreat by the sea!!!

KEN'S TRIVIA: What year was the 1st game of the Super Bowl and which teams played? Who scored the first touch-down in that game?

CHOLLA CHATTER

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The year was 1967. The teams were Green Bay Packers and Kansas City Chiefs. The first touchdown was made by Max McGee

COFFEE TALK / NEWS FROM XOCHITL'S CHOLLA CAFE

RESTAURANT NEWS: We aren't trying to compete with the Reef's lovely piano bar, but we do now have a piano in the restaurant for anyone who cares to play. It has been a fun addition. There are some local musicians who have graced us with some fine music. We also now have wireless Internet available, so bring in your laptop or use the in-house computer, and tend to business while socializing in the community atmosphere of the cafe. New on the menu: Our tortilla soup is back by popular demand, we have shish-ka-bobs on Thursday and Friday nights, and all you can eat spaghetti on Monday nights. Check the website and Rocky Point Times for news of art classes being held at the restaurant on Saturday evenings. They will be taught by artists/instructors such as Susi Lerma and Grace Schoonover.

CHOLLA CHARITIES: After receiving news of a high infant mortality rate during the cold season, we have been receiving and distributing many blankets and warm clothes for children. You can bring these by the restaurant, but you will be cheating yourself out of a very rewarding experience of meeting the local people unless you take them to the back streets of Penasco and look for families to give them to.

We thank you all for your generous monetary donations to Cholla Charities also. We raised over \$3000 during the holidays, and have spent about half of that on some very serious family crises. Keep your donations coming in when possible. We are currently helping Emilio's family, whose 14 year old daughter had been in a diabetic coma for weeks, and miraculously has come out. We have also helped a 16 month old girl who needed a prosthetic eye after an accident. The community's generosity has been greatly appreciated by the families which we help. LIFE IS GOOD. Sally

SICK BAY

THIS IS NOT GOOD. This list is much too long.

We have heard the sad news that several people who once lived in Rocky Point and/or Cholla Bay have passed away. Will Flinders, of Rocky Point and Flagstaff, passed away on January 8th at his home in Flagstaff. He is survived by his wife, Marlon. A former Cholla Bayer, Peggy Allison, passed away, and another former Cholla Bayer, Paul Colarich passed away also. He is survived by his wife, Helen. We all send our sympathies to the families. We also send our sympathy to a Cholla Bayer, Johnny Mullins, whose mother passed away recently. Johnny is a fairly new homeowner in Cholla Bay.

As for the ill -

Bob Belk has been fighting Cancer, and is taking treatments at the Tulsa Cancer Center. If you want to send cards, the address is P. O. Box 3752, Show Low, 85902. CC (Carolyn Cranny) fell on New Year's Eve and badly broke her leg and also her ankle. She is still unable to move her leg. If you want to call her, she would appreciate hearing from you. In Tucson, the number is 520-790-5094. The address is 5306 E. 20th Street, Tucson 85711.. I hear that Wally Schmerfeld is in Phoenix with his son Steven, and is in part-time hospice. I'm sorry, I don't have an address at this time. Donald Schmidli has had a triple heart by-pass, and is recovering at his home in Sun City. The address there is 10645 W. Connecticut, Sun City 85351 Bill Brown has had surgery recently also, but I don't have the details on that. I do hear that he is doing fine. I haven't heard recently how Frank Paseka is doing, but he has been taking chemo treatments for cancer, and I have heard that Connie Norsworthy is or has been taking chemo treatments for cancer also. Frank's address was in the last issue of the Cholla Chatter, but I don't have an address for Connie at this time. I also hear that Tere Wilson (Tucson Chapter) has been ill, but as of this writing, I don't have details of that. Shirley Peterson is having tests made to determine if she has a blockage in her carotid arteries. I received word that 3 people broke into Dan Berkovich's house in Rocky Point and beat him and cut him with machetes.. He has had several surgeries, and was in very bad condition. Dan was often at CEDO. If I get more information I'll have it in the next issue of the Chatter. We wish all of these people a speedy recovery, and as for the rest of us - let's try to stay well. Pat Goodin

Membership News

As of this writing I have received 105 memberships for the Cholla Chapter and 7 for the Tucson Chapter for 2007. We are continuing our "membership drive through the month of February because we know many of you have just forgotten to pay your dues. We are trying to keep the CBSC active. It is the oldest club in Cholla. Remember we do support the VHF radio that is so important to the safety of all boaters. Villa has several rescues every month, so that tells us the VHF is used and needed.

Please look at the address label on the front of your chatter. If you have paid your dues for 2007 there will be a 07 beside your name. I hope this will be an easy reminder of whether or not your dues are current. If there is no 07 I have not received your dues as of this writing, so please send them in right away! If your dues are in the mail, thank you. We greatly appreciate your support. If you have paid, please feel free to give the membership application to someone else.

Welcome Aboard to the following new members.

Bill Drake lives in Vale, Az. Billy was a CBSC member many years ago in the Tucson Chapter. He came to our January dinner and decided to join us again. We are very glad he did and hope he will come to all our dinners.

Michael and Cathy Eagan live in Chandler. They also came to our January dinner and joined. They have a cabin in Cholla, down the road from me. We hope they, too, will come to all our dinners and we can get better acquainted.

Rich and Elisa Rusché are from Scottsdale. They own the Manzana 38 café and salon. Rich takes care of the restaurant part, serving breakfasts, lunches, ice cream, slushies and other goodies. Elisa takes care of the beauty salon. She gives a great hair cut. They also have a girl that gives manicures and pedicures. Be sure to stop in and see them when you are in Cholla

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Membership Application 2007 Annual Dues \$40

Membership dues and other activities of the Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club funded the purchase of radio equipment and supports the maintenance and operation of the Marine VHF Radio (channels 16 & 26) for the Northern Sea of Cortez & CB radio(channel 3) in the Cholla Bay area. The CBSC pays the salary of the radio operator, assists in search and rescue operations and, when necessary, can assist with some arrangements for transportation of critically ill or injured. The CBSC conducts the annual fishing derby, publishes a monthly newsletter and promotes good relations between American visitors and our Mexican neighbors.

Name: _____ Spouse _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____ Cabin # _____

Email _____

Summer Address: If you want your chatter sent to a different address June to Sept.

Please check the chapter of your choice _____ Cholla Chapter _____ Tucson Chapter

Mail to: Nancy Schmidli, P.O. Box 218, Lukeville, Az. 85341

FROM THE LAUNCH RAMP

It has been very windy for much of January, but on the week-end of January 26th, several boats did get out. On Friday, Sea cliff broke down, but couldn't get through on the radio as he kept breaking up. It was after dark when we could get his location, after Villa asked him to unhook his antenna and have someone take it to the top of the boat. He ended up being out all night. Early the next morning, Villa launched Al Dudney in the "Night Rider", who went out to find him. Sea Cliff had lost his anchor, and had drifted about 12 miles off-course. Al finally found him and he was towed in about 38 miles, arriving back in the Bay about 3:00 P.M. It was a long, cold night for the 3 people on board. Seven other boats got out on Saturday also, and 4 on Sunday. Hopefully, the winds are over for a while, and the cold also.

Again, please try to "Buddy Boat". If you break down and can't get through on the radio, there will be someone there to help you out.

FISHING DERBY

Plans are underway for our annual fishing derby, which, if we get all the permits we need, will start on April 13th. The permits are mainly a formality, and we don't expect any problems in that area, so if you are a fisherman, start making your plans to be in Cholla for each weekend of the derby. Look at Page 1 of this Chatter for the other dates. We'll be needing help to weigh in fish, help at Ship's Store, and other various duties, so if you can help out, email me or call me. Pat Goodin 382-5056, nolehacepat@yahoo.com. We have a great time at the Radio Shack during the derby, watching boats go in and out, see what fish are caught, and just watching people, etc. So even if you can't help out, stop by down at the boat launch area and watch for a while, especially around the time the boats are returning from their fishing expeditions.

As the saying goes, "YOU'LL BE GLAD YOU DID!"

Watch the Web Site for further news as it becomes available.

AROUND TOWN

If you were in Cholla on Saturday, January 26th, you probably saw a lot of cars buzzing around. OBSC sponsored a home tour, with 6 beautiful Cholla Bay Homes. If you missed that, you missed a great opportunity to see some of the most beautiful homes in the Bay. Those who opened their homes for the tour were Kathy Barnard, Frankie & Lowell McCulley, Sue Kathe/Mike Breton, Gretchen Ellinger, Mike Clark, and Leslie & Victor Rangel. After the tour, a reception was held at the club house for the attendees and the home owners whose homes were on the tour. Despite the fact that the electricity was off most of the afternoon and into the evening, both the tour and the reception were outstanding. If there happens to be another home tour next year, try to attend. You'll love seeing all the new and remodeled homes.

Shirley McDonald organized the tour, and deserves a big thanks. A big thanks also to all the other helpers, and of course a huge thanks to the home owners and the attendees. We appreciate all of you.

Pat Goodin

THE WEB SITE

by Pat Goodin

As stated in various other articles, we now have a new Cholla Bay website, put together by Lowell McCulley. It's a really great web site, and I think you'll enjoy seeing it. Go to www.chollabayhoa.net and look for yourself. I'll be in-putting various upcoming events there, so you can keep up to date on what's happening in Cholla Bay, whether it be CBSC, OBSC, Red Hat lunches, or anything else I know about that might interest you. After all, what else have I got to do????

SMILE

Mobile phones are the only subject on which men boast about who's got the smallest

PROMOTORA TURISTICA PLAYA ESCONDIDA S.A. de C.V.

We hope everyone had happy holidays and are now looking forward to the New Year 2007. Hopefully it will bring the fun, prosperity and the happiness you seek.

New Year's resolutions have been made and probably some already broken, but don't give up. You still have time to renew your intentions and try to make them work. We hope one of your resolutions is to continue helping keep Cholla Bay litter free. There has been so much work done by individuals and groups towards this goal and everyone would like to see the good will and determination continue. The efforts and work are much appreciated by all.

Mark April 28th 2007 on your calendars. That is the date of the Homeowner's annual meeting which is held in the community club house. Several positions are open for re-elections, so if you happen to be interested in becoming a part of the growth and development of this community get to work on your 300 word statement giving your qualifications in time for publication of the March issue of the vecinos de la Cholla newsletter. New ideas are always welcome for discussion.

The tax office, located in the Municipal Building in Puerto Penasco is ready and waiting for you to pay your property taxes. The transaction will be much more efficient if you bring last year's receipt with you. The office is open 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Monday thru Friday. If you pay the taxes before March you receive a ten percent discount.

THEATER NEWS

Do you like to go to the theater? If so, you'll have a chance to see the Penasco Sunset Theatre Group in their performance of "The Adventurers" on Friday, February 23rd and Saturday, February 24th. They'll be on stage in the conference room at the Penasco del Sol Hotel which used to be called the Playa las Glorias. The play is written and directed by Maureen Christoff. The play is free, but donations are willingly accepted, to help fund the performance.

EASIEST CAKE

from Nancy Huff

- 1 Chocolate Cake Mix
- 16 oz. Pepsi or Coke
- Mix and Bake as Directed

For yellow or white cake, use sprite or 7 up instead of coke or pepsi.

This was in a previous issue of the Chatter - in November 2005

RECEIVED ON AN EMAIL:

NEW 401K PLAN

If you had purchased \$1,000.00 of Nortel stock one year ago, it would now be worth \$49.00

With Enron, you would have had \$16.50 left of the original \$1000.00.

With WorldCom, you would have had less than \$5.00 left

If you had purchased \$1,000.00 of Delta Air Lines stock you would have \$49.00 left

BUT, if you had purchased \$1,000.00 worth of beer one year ago, drank all the beer, then turned in the cans for the aluminum recycling REFUND, you would have \$214.00.

Based on the above, the best current investment advice is to drink heavily and recycle.

IT'S CALLED THE 401-KEG PLAN