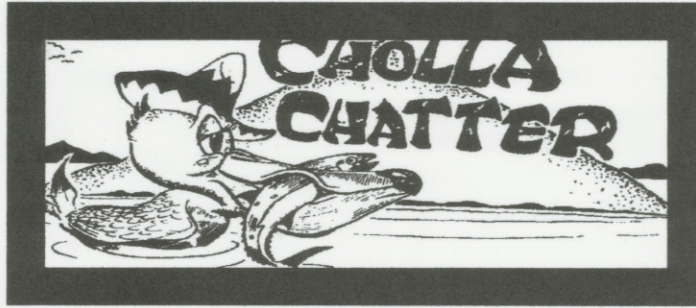


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UPCOMING EVENTS

March 1st - CBSC Pot Luck
Board Meeting 4:00 PM
Happy Hour 5:00 PM
Eat about 6:00 PM

March 8th - OBSC St. Patrick's Party

March 14th - 17th - 1st CBSC Fishing Derby
Weekend

March 15th - Home Tour - Sponsored by OBSC

March 25th - Red Hat ladies lunch at Rosie's
Restaurant - 1:00 PM

April 5th - Horseshoe Tournament - Sponsored
by CBSC - See article inside

April 11th - 13th - 2nd Fishing derby weekend

April 19th - OBSC Bash

April 26th - Vecinos General mtg.
CBSC POT LUCK - Happy Hour 5:00 -
Eat about 6:00

May 9th - 11th - 3rd derby weekend

May 22nd - 24th - last derby weekend

May 25th - Fish Fry

May 26th - Memorial Day

Bridge and/or other cards usually on Mondays
(if enough people) at the club house - about
1:30 P.M.

CHOLLA BAY SPORTSMEN'S CLUB**53rd ANNUAL FISHING DERBY**

MARCH 14 - 17

APRIL 11 - 13

MAY 9 - 11

MAY 22 - 24

FISH FRY SUNDAY, MAY 25TH

COME ONE, COME ALL
BRING A NEW FRIEND - AND AN OLD FRIEND
BRING YOUR KIDS
SHARE YOUR BOAT WITH SOMEONE
COME AND WATCH THE BOATS COME IN AND WATCH THEM WEIGH THE FISH
VOLUNTEER TO HELP
SEE YOU THERE!

**TO CONTINUE RECEIVING THE CHOLLA CHATTER, YOU MUST PAY
YOUR 2008 DUES BEFORE THE NEXT ISSUE.**

BOAT PERMITS NO LONGER REQUIRED for Sportfishing

This was in the January issue of the Rocky Point Times, and Alan Peterson had it checked out. **"Effective January 2008, boat permits are no longer required for vessels practicing sportfishing in Mexican waters."** You do still need a fishing license and these can be purchased at the Municipal Building on the corner of Blvd. Fremont and Blvd Benito Juarez. The office is in the inside of the plaza, at about the center of the back offices. There is a sign both in Spanish and English outside of the door. I hope this information will be a help to all of you fishermen.

Pat Goodin

CHOLLA BAY HOME TOUR**SPONSORED BY OLD BOY'S SOCIAL CLUB**

Don't forget to come to the Cholla Bay Home Tour on Saturday, March 15th. Tickets are \$10.00 and you can see six beautiful Cholla Bay homes. Purchase your tickets at the Community Center (Club House) at 11:30 and you can tour the houses from 12:00 noon until 3:00 PM. For more information you can call Frankie McCulley at 602-923-2871 or in Cholla 382-5120 or you can call Gretchen Ellinger 382-5147.

HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT

Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club will be hosting a Horseshoe Tournament on Saturday, April 5th at the clubhouse in Cholla Bay. You won't want to miss this. Sign up from 10:am—noon. The tournament will begin at 12 noon. EVERYONE IS WELCOME. BRING YOUR FRIENDS. If you don't want to play, come and join in the fun and watch the tournament. Players will pay \$10 per person which includes hot dogs and beer. Spectators will pay \$5 per person if you want to have hot dogs and beer.

Bring your friends and family for this fun day or horseshoes, drink and food.

OTHER CBSC NEWS

POT LUCK—I hope some of you can be here on March 1st for the CBSC Pot Luck Dinner. We will be having happy hour at 5:00 and we try to eat about 6:00. It's always a nice get-together and we have some really good Cholla Cooks. We always have a good variety of dishes. So, make your favorite dish—main dish, vegetable, salad, dessert, or whatever and come to the club house and visit with everyone. If you want to come to the 4:00 board meeting also, you're very welcome.

ANOTHER POT LUCK— This will be on April 26th, the day of the Vecinos general meeting. There should be quite a few people in town for the meeting, so we'll get together that night for another pot luck. That way, no one has to cook a lot—just cook one dish and come down to the club and enjoy dinner and visiting with other Cholla Bayers.

BORDER CROSSING INFO.
IN CASE YOU HAVEN'T HEARD!

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the U.S. Department of State (DOS) remind the traveling public that as of January 31, 2008, all adult travelers will be required to present PROOF OF CITIZENSHIP, SUCH AS A BIRTH CERTIFICATE, AND PROOF OF IDENTITY, SUCH AS DRIVER'S LICENSE, when entering the United States through land and sea ports of entry.

ORAL DECLARATIONS OF CITIZENSHIP ALONE WILL NO LONGER BE ACCEPTED.

U.S. and Canadian citizens age 19 and older will need to present a government-issued photo ID, such as a driver's license, along with proof of citizenship, such as a birth certificate or naturalization certificate.

Children ages 18 and under will only be required to present proof of citizenship, such as a birth certificate.

Passports and trusted traveler program cards—Nexus, Senti, and Fast will continue to be accepted for cross-border traveler.

All existing nonimmigrant visa and passport requirements will remain in effect and will not be altered by this change.

CHOLLA CHARITY FUND (CCF)

I'm sorry I haven't reported on the Cholla Charity Raffle that was held on January 19th. All of the winners have been notified, but I'm sure some of you wondered if it was even held. I sort of dropped the ball on Jo Barnes and she took over the raffle, assisted by Pat Goodin, and did a great job. Here are the winners:

One Stop Medial Clinic Certificate - Ron Mallicoat

Shell Mirror - Susan Clark

Sea Lion painting - Susie Flinn

Hacienda Las Fuentes gift certificate - Diane Mundy

One night free with one night paid at La Voi's Condo - Keith Clement

Food certificate for Manzana 38 - Sundowner

Glassware set #1 - Gayle and Jack Straughan

Glassware set #2 - Ken Goodin

Glassware set #3 - Time & Susan Fish

Glassware set #4 - Jerry and Karen Caballero

Glassware set #5 - Reese Gibbons.

Thanks so much very much to all of you who purchased tickets for this raffle. I think we made over \$800 for a very worthy cause.

The last amount of "help" that was given by the CCF was \$500 to help with eye operations for Yamelith Felix for which the family was very grateful. This was at the end of December. As of the last report, we have a little over \$6000 in the fund due to all the generous donations and support we receive from our Cholla people. This means we will be able to help our neighbors again when the need arises. Thanks again for all your support.

Nancy Schmidli

OBSC 22nd ANNUAL BASH& BBQ

APRIL 19, 2008

2:00 - 6:00 p.m.

TO BENEFIT LION'S CLUB & DIF

RAFFLE TICKETS - \$1.00

1st Prize \$500.00

2nd Prize \$300.00

3rd Prize \$200.00

4th Prize \$100.00

Many more exciting Prizes

Games - Good Food - Live Music

HOW DID WE GET THE TERM

POT LUCK???

Medieval gentry usually had plenty of rich food, frequently serving four or five kinds of meat at a meal. But families in the lower economic classes had no such abundance. Often a struggle was required to get enough food to prevent hunger.

In order to stretch her food, the wife of a commoner would keep an iron pot on an open fire. She would throw all her leftovers into each day, and kept it simmering much of the time. If a relative arrived unexpectedly, he was likely to have to eat from the pot without having any idea of what odds and ends had gone into it.

This early and literal form of taking "potluck" came to name the act of eating any meal for which the host or hostess has made no special preparation.

I LIKE OUR VERSION BETTER - Pat Goodin

SICK BAY

Nancy Schmidli had her hip replacement and is at home recuperating and doing physical therapy. We hope she gets back to Cholla Bay soon.

Jerry Ketelhut has had surgery to repair 5 cracked vertebrae in his back. He has been in a lot of pain for several months and after the 1st MRI they said they found nothing wrong with him. After a lot of suffering they did another one and that's what they found. I hope he is now out of all of his pain and recovering.

Gene Court was to have cataract surgery at the time I'm writing this Chatter. We hope that goes well also.

Most of you heard already that Mike Dugan (President of the Vecinos) fell while checking the water pressure on the new truck water filling place in Cholla Bay, and broke both feet. He seems to be getting around really well in his wheel chair but has had to have some surgeries on his feet. Get well Mike.

Jerry Cabballero is walking around with crutches and I found out he broke his ankle or his foot. I'm not sure when it happened or how, but we hope he's soon back to normal soon.

Last month I reported that Ralph Smith passed away. Soon after that, Phyllis Smith also passed away. Ralph and Phyl were very active past residents of Cholla Bay.

Gene Barfield, another long-time resident of Cholla Bay passed away recently.

Ronald McRoy, another resident of Cholla Bay passed away recently

Dennis Bennek, another resident of Cholla Bay passed away recently also.

Our condolences go out to the families of all these people.

Condolences also Frank Prieto whose mother passed away recently. Frank was a Phoenix Chapter member of CBSC and spends a lot of time in Cholla Bay with Dave & Kelley Adams.

Most everyone has heard by now that Gus Brown SR. passed away on February 11th. Our condolences to Gus Brown and all the family members. See article below by Reyel Taylor.

Pat Goodin

Silvestre Gustavo Brown Gabaldon

17 December 1919 - 11 February 2008

Silvestre Gustavo Brown Gabaldon, Gus Brown Sr., was born December 17, 1919 in Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico. He died on February 11, 2008 in Hermosillo, Sonora, Mexico. Known to many from Cholla Bay as the landowner, including Sandy Beach, his direct involvement with this community started in 1956, ending in 1985 when he sold the land to his oldest son, Gus Brown Jr. He is survived by his wife Nubia, 11 children, 49 grandchildren, and 16 great grandchildren, having had a total of 14 children.

Known to all as a hard worker, Gus was a visionary who saved Sandy Beach for what it has become today. He was the tourism pioneer of Rocky Point, recognizing the potential that is just now starting to become a reality. When he would visit the projects with his son Gus Jr, tears would come to his eyes as he would contemplate what for decades was just a dream.

Gus was known for his great love of family, enjoying all his many grandchildren and great grandchildren. He loved to travel, and did so extensively every summer, especially to many areas of Mexico. Just last year he traveled to Spain, making arrangements to receive dialysis while there. Gus loved to sing, and had a very good voice. He enjoyed dancing, and took advantage of every opportunity to do so. On December 24, 2007, while celebrating his 88th birthday, and despite his advanced age and deteriorating physical condition, he danced several sets with his daughters and wife.

Because of many incidents regarding the Cholla Bay land and his defense of it, Gus Brown Sr. became a legend in the state of Sonora He will be missed by many. Hasta Pronto (means until we meet again) Reyel Taylor

Membership News:

Hello again from Gerry Nelson, your new membership chairman. So far, for the current 2008 membership campaign, we have 160 paid members. This is excellent progress and we hope to improve on this total by at least another 50 for the current year. For 2007 we had roughly 200 members when the year ended. It now looks like we will make our goal. We still have a bunch of "old standby" members, who were members in 2007, but have not yet sent in their dues. This bunch totals about 65.

For prospective new boating and fishing members we have a "deal" just in time for the Fishing Derby. Prior to launching your boat obtain an application to join the CBSC from Rosario Villa at the launching ramp, fill it out and give a check or cash to Villa for \$30 instead of the normal \$40 membership fee. I will send you a confirmation e mail or phone call that I have received your membership application.

We have two new members who have not been members in previous years according to our records. Their names are: **Michele and Geary Jerde and Marilyn and Lee Watts**. Please welcome these new members to the club.

Please look at the mailing address label on the front of your Chatter. If there is a "08" after your name your membership application has been received, your membership has been processed, and you will continue to receive the Chatter during 2008.

If you have a "07" after your name this means that your membership application has not yet been received, it might be in the mail, or it has not been processed by the time the new labels were made for mailing the Chatter during February 2008.

The Cholla Bay Sportsman's Club needs your support for new and old activities for 2008 so if you have not sent in your check and application please do so as soon as possible.

For those of you who have joined, I thank you on behalf of the club. For those of you who are tardy, lets get it done! This issue of the Chatter will be the last one mailed to 07 members.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS AND CONTACT INFORMATION FOR GERRY NELSON:

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Or you can use the mailbox at Casa M6A-13 in La Cholla.



Membership Application 2008 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.

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Make your check out to CBSC and mail to Gerry Nelson, P.O. Box 1320, Lukeville, Az. 85341