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5 Phoenix Board Meeting
13 Tucson Chapter Meeting
13 Cholla Chapter Meeting
14 Phoenix Chapter Meeting
18 Chatter Articles Due To Editor
30 1st Day Of Fishing Derby

MAY

1, 2 Derby Continues
3 Phoenix Board Meeting
11 Tucson Chapter Meeting
11 Cholla Chapter Meeting
12 Phoenix Chapter Meeting
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On behalf of my family, I'm writing to you to extend our most sincerest *THANK YOU* for your support during the tragic death of our parents, Ralph & Jean Kline.

My Brother, Forest and my Husband, Dennis, left Idaho on December 26th for Cholla Bay; a place they had only heard of through our parents. When they arrived in your community, they were taken in like family. You all took part in helping my brother in a place he was unfamiliar with. We would like to especially thank Wally, Bill & Ginger for their unending hospitality. Also to Dr. Alvaro Aburto Castillo's assistance with language interpretation. "Dr. Al" closed his practice for 3 days in order to assist my brother with the arrangements to bring our parents back home. When asked how we could repay him, "Dr. Al" simply said "I did it for a brother".

More than two months have passed now since our Mom & Dads passing. We miss them so very much, but take comfort in knowing that they were loved by so many. We hope to visit you soon and thank you again in person. Your caring and friendship has warmed our hearts.

Sincerely,
The Family Of Ralph & Jean Kline.

CHOLLA BAY CHAPTER MEETING

By: Pat Goodin

Greetings from Cholla Bay.

We had a great meeting on March 9th at La Curva Restaurant, with 83 in attendance. We're so happy to see such a good turn-out at the meeting. Thanks, and keep attending. It's so nice to all get together for fun and good food.

The meeting was called to order by President, Don Schmidli. The Minutes and Treasures reports were read and approved. Ship's Store reported that there were still a lot of Tide Calendars for sale. Membership reported 370 plus 32 sponsored for a total of 402 members. New members were introduced. They were Jim & Claire Brockett and Jerry (Granny) Fitzgerald.

Sick Bay reported that Trish Basta was quite ill and that Jack Lee (Cactus Jack) had passed away.

Gene Court, Derby Chairman, reported on the preparations for the Fishing Derby and asked the Chapter members for assistance for weighing in fish. He also said they needed donations for raffle prizes.

Tony Rimsza gave out door prizes and raffle prizes and the meeting was adjourned.

After the meeting, La Curva served an excellent dinner of Mexican combination plates and then we had a show with music and Mexican dancers.

Again, it was good to see so many out for the meeting and we hope to see you next month.

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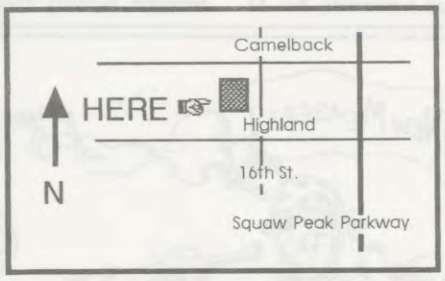

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By: Marie MacGill

Our meeting was opened at 7:55 on March 10th with the Pledge of Allegiance and introductions. After Secretary, Pat Scalberg's report, Sick bay didn't have a report. I can't understand how we all got so healthy this year, so lets keep our fingers crossed.

Von Frazier of Membership reported a total of 775 members, we gained 6 members and lost 5. The Treasurer, Diane Sturhahn, gave her report as usual. Search & Rescue reported that we will have a new scale, mounted on an A-Frame, that will be easy to read. They had no reports of trouble on the water. The Chatter Editors, Dave & Kelley Adams are very much appreciated for their fine job as Editors. The Club discussed the raising of dues, and will discuss it further with Council. There hasn't been a raise in dues since 1976, don't you think that after 17 years, we should have one to help offset some of the higher expenses?

The Old Boy's Social Club will have their yearly Bash April 24th. If you want to have some fun, don't miss this event.

It was good to have Doug & Shirley Conklin with us, they are now living in Pine. Hope they can make it back soon, we miss them.

We were honored to have Ed Shatto, Tom McCraken and Sam Frank as our guests from the Fire Department. Ed Shatto gave us a good speech on CPR. They gave us a very interesting and educational CPR instructions that lasted until 11:00 p.m. Thank you gentlemen very, very much.

Gene Court is the Chairman of this years Fishing Derby. The Fish Fry will be the last day of the Derby, June 12th. I'm sure he could use all the help he can get, so please lend a hand if you can.

The CEDO's Earth Day is April 22nd though April 25th in Las Conchas. There will be lots of goodies for all of us, especially the kids. They will have a Marine Zoo, Tide Pool Walk and lots of activities.

Our next meeting will have personnel from several local sporting-good stores that will discuss some of the newest fishing lines and lures. They will discuss techniques for all you Fishermen & Fisherwomen for this years Derby. This is a meeting no one should miss.

The Steak Fry is tentatively set for Memorial Weekend, Sunday May 30th.

Frank Prieto won the raffle bottle

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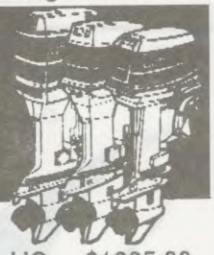

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The children broke the pinata's while the families picked up their boxes. They were 'stuffed' this year, and were so because of all the wonderful donations this year.

Shirley Peterson was a great Co-Chairperson. Her help was a tremendous help to me, and to the Christmas Party. Nancy Warren, my Co-Chairperson, helped me gather toys & etc., worked along side me the 3 days before the Party. My thanks to you too.

There were many people who helped get the Party together, either by work or donations. Listed below are those I wish to thank. If I forget anyone, please forgive me for not mentioning you.

Nancy Warren, Irene Drake, Chuck & Joan Derenberger, Bill & Lois Chastain, Jean & Ralph Kline, Don & Alice Christian, Bob Morrison, Mary Ann McCune, Arlene & Marty Martin, Diane & Martin Sturhahn, Stan Christian, Jean Ostberg & daughter, Guy & Barbara West, Carnes Construction, Barry & Joan Hall, Joan Nichols, Ralph Dickson, Don & Cora Burwell, Shirley Peterson, Betty Horton, Pat Goodin, Paul Vanover, Joe & Roma Blunk, Glenda Maude, Rambler, Mike & Lylia Hagerty, Santa Claus, Mrs. Claus, Direk & Patti Srichankic, Marion Hotchkiss, Mary Wood, Gene & Shirley Reid, Juliene Wallace, John Marrell, Pete Peterson.

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Last month, some articles didn't make it before deadline, and we're sorry we couldn't print them, but the Chatter was already at the printer. We work hard to get the issues out on time, and we need everything into us by the 18th of each month. On the 18th, Dave & I work until the *wee hours of the morning,* so we can deliver the Chatter to the printer on the 19th. We appreciate anything that we recieve before the deadline, so we don't have to work so late *(and make as many typo's as we do).*

We're thankful for everyone's support, and look forward to many more issues of the Chatter.

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C.B.S.C. 4 WD trip to "The Spit" is set for May 15th. Further Details in next months Chatter. If interested, contact Diane Sturhahn for details: (602) 789-9504.

The Steak Fry is set for Sunday, May 30th at the Fry Shack. The cost will be $7.00/person for Steak and all the trimmings. Proceeds will help support the Radio Room (Your Saftey Network) and the C.B.S.C.

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Hi - from our little corner of the Southwest. Time just fleets by and before you know it - it's deadline time. I cannot believe I was in 6 inches of snow at deadline and here we are being blessed with such beautiful weather. March is Cholla time. Hubby was there 3rd week in March - lots of students there. Reids were there 2nd week in March, haven't heard their story.

To catch up on the news of our meetings. Feb. meeting was a small attendance, a little better than most, new faces which we hadn't seen in awhile attended. Maxine & Randy Hager, Nikki & Bill Hohmann, Ray Diahe.

Bob Rothrock introduced the members and on to our guest speaker: Bob Miles, Game & Fish Public Relations. Bob wears many hats in the department, and gave us an interesting report. The slides and graphs were explained in detail of the financial, environmental, protection of the wildlife, and if you want to know where some of the lottery money goes - this is the place and it is put to good use. We were given pamphlets and two issues of Arizona Wildlife Views, a great magazine for sports minded and out-of-doors people.

The business meeting was short. Reports were made and some thought was given on how to improve attendance. Shirley Reid read the suggestions of returned fliers. No solutions. Door prizes were given out by Shirley Peterson. Winners were Drake, Peterson, Reid, Wood, Wilson.

Alice Christensen underwent a triple by-pass. We understand she is doing well. Keep up the good work so you can resume your trips to Cholla.

Hilda & Dean Tozzi have nothing but praises for the "Blue Angels" who travel the highway from Sonoita to Puerto Penasco. They are courteous and helpful. The Tozzi couple had car trouble returning to Tucson and had it not been for them, no telling how long they would have been stranded.

The meeting was adjourned. The personnel at "Las Margaritas" were very patient with us, as we over stayed. Remember, 2nd Tuesday of the month: 6:30 - 7:30 p.m., come enjoy dinner and friends. Meeting: 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Las Margaritas, 3602 E. Grant Road.

March meeting was short and informal. Reports were made. Pete Peterson gave a lengthy report of the Council Meeting, bringing up the subject of raising the dues. We talked and discussed the dilemma of the dues and Bob Rothrock brought it up for a vote. Tucson Chapter voted to agree in raising the dues. What else can we do?

We are always glad to see the faithful members but, it is always nice to see a long lost member show up. This month we had Eileen & Bob Courtright. They both won a door prize; closet light & microwave dish. Sylvia & Jerry Kitchen joined us and Jerry won a tray. Todd Rothrock also joined us.

Kitchen, Nichols, T. Rothrock, Courtright (2), Peterson, Hotchkiss were all door prize winners, chaired by Shirley Peterson.

Our Sick Bay Chairperson, Irene Drake, needs to be told if anyone needs to be sent a card on behalf of Tucson Chapter. I understand "Frenchy's" wife could use some moral support. French has a serious condition.

Still have Tide Calendars.

Our guest speaker for April will be a Police Officer speaking on the precautions we should take as we go about our every day living at the malls, home, or wherever. You might pick up a good tip. We may think we know it all, but we don't. Old dogs do learn new tricks.

Hope you had a good St. Patricks. Have a Happy Easter and Passover. Did you remembers All Fool's day? Don't forget your Secretary. Don't forget me, I need your stories.

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DISCOVERING PUERTO PENASCO

By: Libby Roh

Ed made a couple of fishing trips a year with his buddies. To name a few: Chico Partridge, Harry Blacklidge, Briggs, Shoemaker and Shorty Wilson. They took off one rainy day with the trucks loaded with camping gear. It was probably in February 1942. Their destination was Pitiquito, Mexico - a small Seri Indian fishing village on the Gulf Of California. When they got to 3 points (Robles Junction), they found the road flooded and impassable. They decided to get to Puerto Penasco through the Indian Reservation after all the preparation for the trip. It took all day to arrive at Penasco, as the last eleven miles was a sand road and they got stuck a number of times. In Penasco, they pitched their tents, but since it rained the whole time, they played cards and drank most of the time. I believe this sport is called "Bonding".

My first trip was during WW II, the road was now paved all the way from the border to Penasco, and the town had about 300 or so inhabitants. There was one sand street and small buildings on it, such as a barbershop, two cantinas, some little stores selling groceries and fruit. Also by this time, they had a hotel built of the black volcanic stones and an ice house to keep the fish being shipped north.

We stayed at the Miramar Hotel. Mrs. Mejia and her husband ran it. She was from Ajo and was a really nice cultivated woman who spoke excellent English. The rent included breakfast and dinner, and cost $3.00 per day - per person. It was served family style with her husband keeping the table supplied. Silverware was in a glass in the middle of the table, and you took only what you needed. The food was good - usually fish and always beans, rice and soup.

The common room served as lobby, dining room and parlour. There was a piano with a velvet multicolored fringed scarf in the corner, the long plank table and benches for dining, and a fireplace for use in winter. The hotel had a narrow hallway which branched off into maybe six rooms. Our room had a bed with a clean white bedspread, a wooden chair and a dresser. There was no glass in the windows and neither was there a ceiling or roof except for the hallway.

At night we lay in bed and looked up at the stars and moon - very, very romantic! I have no idea what happened if and when it rained. The annual rainfall is about 3". They were starting to build a brick building at the end of the road, and as the story goes, the Mexican President and President Roosevelt were going to meet there which is why the road finally got finished. There were no locks on the doors at the hotel, nor did they have bathrooms. If you had to pee in the middle of the night, you just went outside, either the door, but most likely through the window, which was only two feet from the ground. If your needs were more urgent, you crossed the sandy street to the outhouse, which hung over the cliff and looking down the holes you saw either the ocean far below or the bottom of the bay, depending on the phase of the moon. Needless to say, there were no signs saying "Mujures or Hombres", you just slipped the hook on if you were alone and left the door ajar when you left.

There was no modesty in Penasco. I remember seeing a client coming out of the barbershop with the bib around his neck. He had to answer the call of nature, so while the barber followed him out the door snipping at his hair, the client unbuttoned his pants and relieved himself.

There were nineteen big steps leading to the bottom of the bay. When the tide was full, the water came up to the third or fourth step from the top. I could hardly wait to get up or down them as they were much higher than normal. When the tide was out, it was a big drop onto the sand. I used to sit there and watch the fishermen bring in the catch of the day. They had huge fish with the heads the size of buckets. They would chop off the heads with axes, such as used to chop down trees. These fish were packed in ice and sent off to the states. All these monster fish came in on small boats, none larger than 20 feet or so.

With this kind of fishing and a paved road, civilization crept to this small town. One of the cantinas got an electric generator and there were colored lights strung outside, disrupting this village with noise and light. There was also a jukebox that seemed to have only one record, "Rum and Cocoa Cola", which got imbedded in your mind by 3:00 a.m.

In the morning, I would see two deep furrows in the sand, which made no sense as to what type of vehicle would make such a narrow, irregular pattern, and to stop under a creosote bush. One morning I got up early for a "nature call" and on my way to the "cliff-hanger", I saw a Mexican sleeping under the bush. His legs still implanted in the furrows where he had been dragged the night before, to sleep it off.

Soon there was a sort of winding, sand road through the Cholla cactus to the slough at the end of the bay. This is now the entrance to the road taking you back to Sandy Beach. When the wind blew and you could not fish, which was often, you took a shovel, some old rugs, boards, and lots of friends to push, and headed for Cholla Bay to dig clams. It took only a few dozen shovels full of the blue gumbo to fill a gunnysack of mussels and clams. No one ventured further towards the ocean and Cholla Bay was reached only by going around Pelican Point by boat.

My first real view of Cholla Bay was a few years later when we went down with Bob & Mary Schwartz, and entered it by boat, going up the slough on a pretty high tide. It was the month of October and the sun was bright, the sky blue, and the ocean sparkled like a million diamonds. I immediately fell in love with this spot and have never forgotten the day I first saw it.

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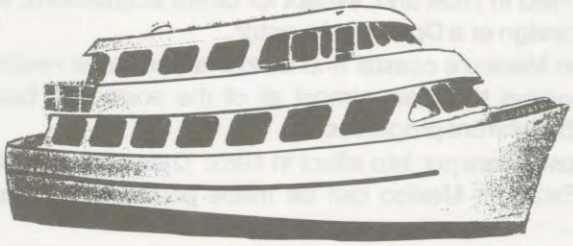

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What is a Bank Trust? Who is eligible? Since the time is getting closer for the Trusts to be available, this month's company letter is to answer some of the questions you may have.

A Fideicomiso, or Bank Trust, is defined for Real Estate purposes, as a Transaction entered into between a Mexican Bank and a Foreign Individual or Firm, investing in areas otherwise restricted to foreign investment. The Bank serves as Trustee or Legal Owner with respect to a certain real property interest and the Investor serving as the Legal Beneficiary, who retains the exclusive right to use and control of the property.

As Trustee, the Bank acts on behalf of the Beneficiary in transactions involving the Property held in trust. However, the Beneficiary controls and makes investment decisions regarding the property, including the decision to transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of his/her interest in the Property.

The Trust is essentially a Contractual Agreement which, in most respects, is identical to the type of Trust commonly used in the United States. Trusts are established for initial 30 Year periods, and can renewed indefinitely.

The Trust Agreement in Mexico involves an Institution, only Mexican Bank Institutions Authorized and Regulated under Mexican Banking Laws, can serve as Trustees, acting as Trustees with respect to a certain Property Interest. The Trustee holds Title to the Property for the Beneficiary of the Trust, who retains the economic benefits arising out of the Property. As Trustee, the Mexican Bank acts on behalf of the Foreign Beneficiary in transactions involving the Property held in Trust. However, the Beneficiary retains the use & control of the Property held in Trust and, except for direct acquisitions, makes the investment decision to transfer such Property Interest to another Foreign or a Domestic Investor.

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Mexican Law now expressly provides that at the end of the 30 Year Term of the Trusts, upon request, the Mexican Government will issue a new permit for an additional 30 Year Term. Also, if an interest in Real Estate held under a Trust is sold or conveyed, the transferee can obtain a permit which provides for a new 30 Year Term, no matter how much time remains on the Original Trust.

While a Mexican Bank, acting as Trustee, holds the Title to the Property in these transactions, the Bank is legally obligated to follow terms outlined in Trust Documents that comply in all areas with the requests of the Foreign Investor who is the Trust Beneficiary. As such, these Trusts represent a legal alternative to actual Property Ownership for Foreign Investors.

As the Beneficiary under the Trust, the Foreign Investor, has a personal and exclusive right top use, occupy, and possess the Trust Property, including the right to build upon it or otherwise improve it, subject to applicable construction & zoning regulations.

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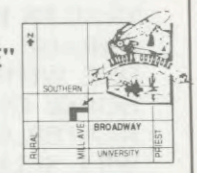

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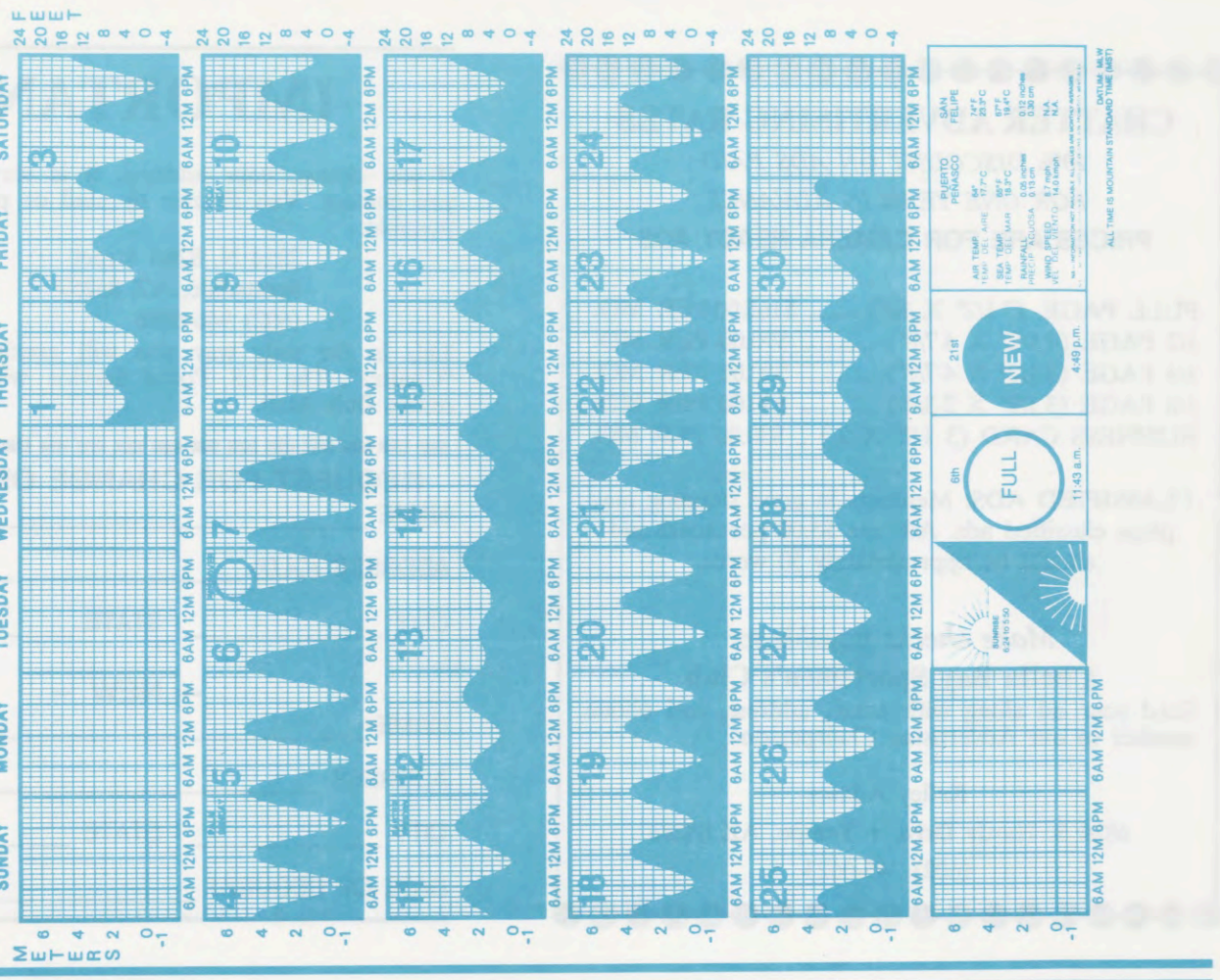

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