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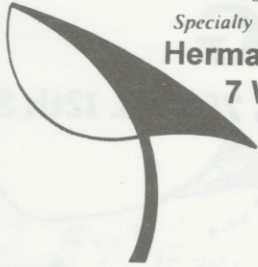
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SEPTEMBER

NO CHOLLA MEETING

- 10 Tucson Chapter Meeting
- 11 Phoenix Chapter Meeting
- 12 Council Meeting • Casa Grande
- 18 Chatter Articles Due To Editors
- 22 Tucson Picnic
- 28 JJ's Golf Tournament

OCTOBER

- 8 Cholla Chapter Meeting
- 8 Tucson Chapter Meeting
- 9 Phoenix Chapter Meeting
- 11-14 JJ's Angler of the Year Tournament
- 18 Chatter Articles Due To Editors
- 26 JJ's Bathtub Races

NOVEMBER

- 2 JJ's Sailboat & Jet Ski Races
- 2 JJ's Halloween Party
- 12 Cholla Chapter Meeting
- 12 Tucson Chapter Meeting
- 13 Phoenix Chapter Meeting
- 14 Council Meeting • Casa Grande
- 18 Chatter Articles Due To Editors

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Meetings Resume Please Attend !!!

-- CHOLLA --

2nd Tuesday of each month
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-- TUCSON --

2nd Tuesday of each month
Dinner: 6:30 • Meeting: 7:30 pm
Las Margaritas • 3602 E. Grant Rd.

-- PHOENIX --

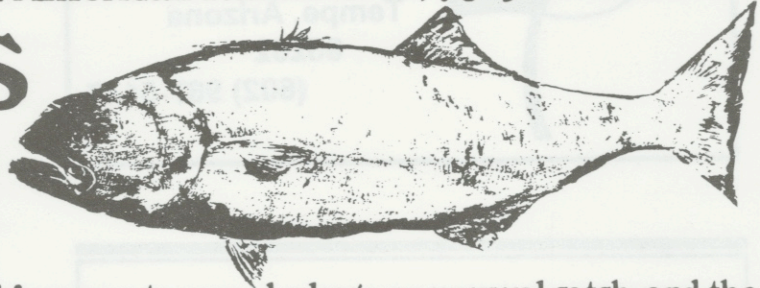
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Meeting: 7:30 pm
Arizona American Italian Club
7509 North 12th Street

DON'T MISS YOUR PHOENIX CHAPTER MEETING

September 11th, 7:30, at the Arizona American Italian Club, 7509 N. 12th St.

FISH PRINTS

Ron Engle-Wilson and Jim Warnecke from the Arizona Game and Fish will give demonstrations on the Japanese art of Gyotaku (fish prints).



Enthusiastic fishermen have always searched for ways to record a large or unusual catch, and the Japanese are no exception. But while taxidermy was being developed in Europe and the United States in the 1800's, our counterparts across the Pacific were taking a different approach. The Japanese fishermen found that by applying ink to the side of a fish they could produce marvelously detailed impressions of their catch on paper. They called this practice Gyotaku (guy-o-tak-oo), and eventually developed it to the level of fine art.

Recently, Gyotaku has been catching on in the US, particularly in Hawaii and parts of the west coast. Many anglers have found that a framed print makes a handsome alternative to having a trophy fish mounted for hundreds of dollars. Even better, you can make your own prints quite easily, and the fish doesn't go to waste....you can eat it after you print it.

This should be a fun and interesting meeting...don't miss it, and bring the kids.



Club members Marvin & Sharon Van Dyke from Nebraska and Marlene & Greg Cliffords from Tempe recently returned from a mid August fishing trip at Palmas de Cortez in the East Cape region of Baja. A great time was had by all, and the fishing wasn't too bad either.



They caught lots of Dorado, Tuna and a 231lb. Marlin, which was caught on 40lb. test line.

TUCSON CHITTER CHATTER

Here we go again. The start of a new season for all CBSC members. We hope you had a good summer, and all is well with everyone. Our first meeting for the Tucson bunch will be held at the same familiar place:

Las Margaritas Restaurant

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September 10th 6:00 to 7:30 pm for food and drinks, then a short meeting at 7:30.

Flash, Flash, Joan and Chuck Dernberger, Chairpersons of our Tucson Annual Families Picnic want you to check in this month's Chatter for all particulars.

Now, here is a story to tickle your fancy:

This is a short account of the expedition on the Sea of Cortez, Tere promised I would write.

In April I watched and enjoyed:

- the fish frenzies in the Midriiffs and near Is. Angel de la Guardia - not just fish but dolphins, 7 different kinds of whales, and birds, hundreds of them.
- the California seals playing with the snorkelers around Is. Los Islotes until suddenly that aggressive elephant seal from the Pacific Coast appeared looking for his mate, wrapped his fins around one of the female snorkelers and prepared to take her down. Other snorkelers tumbled into the inflatables and our leader pulled the seal away. After that everyone became more cautious.
- walking slowly up canyons on the Baja mainland or on deserted islands looking for birds and ondemc plants.
- listening to our 5 naturalist explain the geology of each area or show slides of the fauna and flora.
- learning the Baja salute when there was no breeze.

The 10 day trip was called "Exploring Baja's Infinite Mysteries," aptly named. Organized by Special Expeditions, it was fantastic, including the food and the people.

Joan Nichols

See you all at the meeting? If not, at the picnic? Come and catch up on all the scuttlbut. Verry Interesting.

Respectfully, Tere

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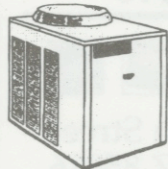
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The hazy, lazy days of summer are just about history for 1996. We'll still have some days when we are aware it's summertime, but for the most part we have it beat. A lot of work has been accomplished these past few months. One of the first things you will notice is the completion of the highway between Sonoyta and Puerto Peñasco. No more flagmen stopping you and no more detours. They are still lacking some defining lines and probably a few highway signs are to be added, but for the most part the highway is complete. A big plus to bring tourism to our doorstep.

This summer has been very busy for contractors and construction workers. A drive around Cholla Bay reveals new homes on new lots and a new look for many of the existing homes. The bank trust papers have made the homeowners feel more secure and they are adding new improvements remodeling and some are just cleaning up whatever they have on their lots. This clean up, paint up seems to be contagious....one homeowner starts and before you know it the surrounding neighbors are doing the same. Sort of like the game of keeping up with the Jones. The extra work certainly increases the value of their investment, helps the economy of the local people and does wonders for the beautification of the Cholla Bay community.

If you haven't been to Cholla Bay for several months you will, without a doubt, notice the new electric poles installed throughout the area. At first they really get your attention because they are so foreign to our views of Cholla Bay. Various comments about the poles....One gentleman said at first they really stood out to him but after a few trips down he doesn't notice them any more. One woman said she really didn't like them but after spending June, July and into the month of August here she has changed her way of looking at them. Now when she looks at them she sees fans and air conditioners blowing cool air over her. Suddenly the poles look beautiful, well maybe not beautiful but a whole lot more welcome. We've also had a couple drivers find out the poles don't move out of the way for traffic, so please drive with caution in Cholla Bay and especially on the new highway.

The Management

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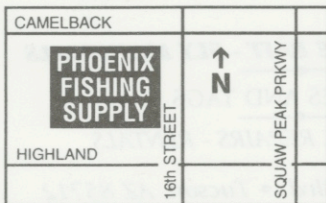
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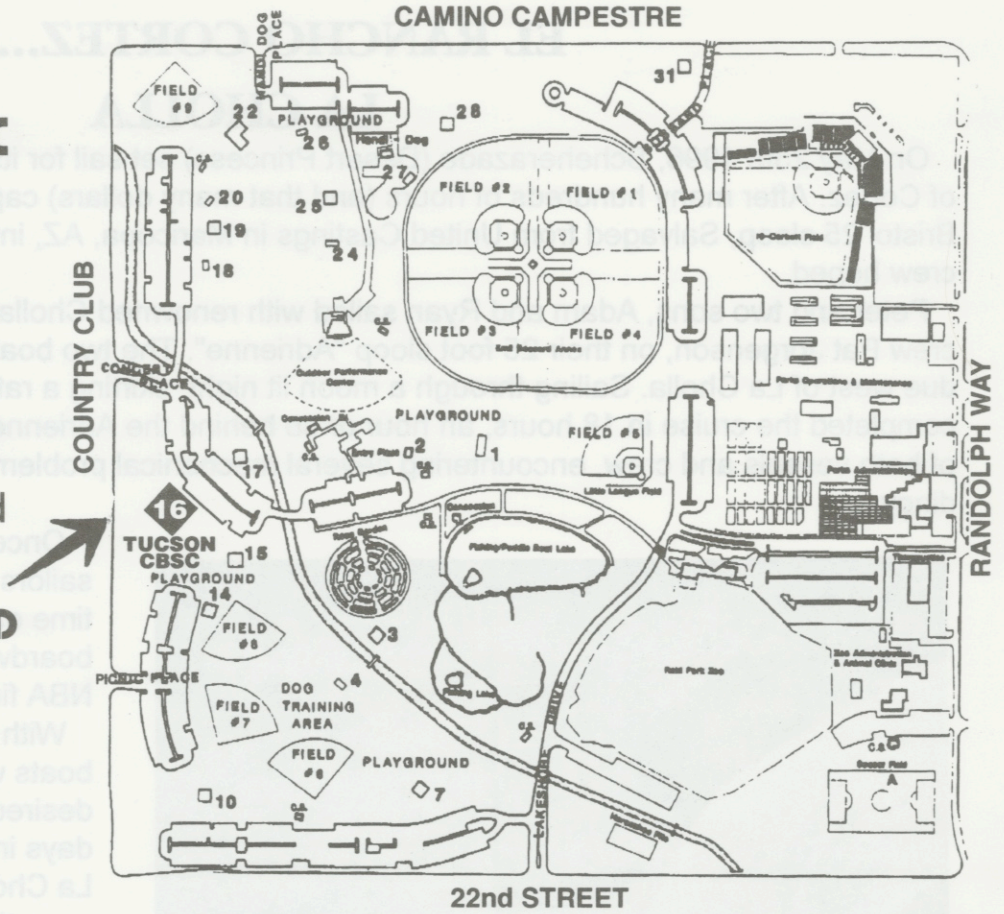
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Peter and two sons, Adam and Ryan sailed with renowned Cholla Bay sailor Bruce Tegge and crew Pat Jorgenson, on their 25 foot sloop "Adrienne". The two boats sailed for San Felipe, 65 miles due west of La Cholla. Sailing through a moon lit night, skirting a rather intrusive rock, Scheherazda completed the cruise in 18 hours, an hour or so behind the Adrienne. The trip over proved a true test of both vessels and crew, encountering several mechanical problems and an uncooperative trailing dingy.



The Scheherazade is anchored in San Felipe's large and safe breakwater, as the crew heads for town.

Once anchored at San Felipe, the five sailors went to town where they spent time eating, drinking, walking the boardwalk and watching the West Coast NBA finals.

With winds from the south, the two boats were unable to sail south to their desired destination, Refugio. So after 2 days in San Felipe, they sailed east for La Cholla. The trip back proved smoother sailing for Scheherazade than the trip over, with the exception of initial rough seas and the dinghy's relative inability to handle them. The boats saw numerous porpoise crossing the bow, and schools of rays heading towards the south. Crew member Adam also landed an impressive 12 inch Sea Trout. With good winds from the south, Scheherazade reached La Cholla in less than 15 hours and spent its last night anchored off Tucson beach.

By Ryan Toftoy

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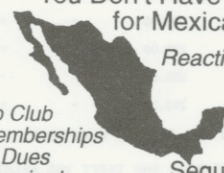
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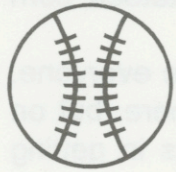
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October 19th



BATHTUB RACES

October 26th



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November 2nd

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♦ Jeremy Dimaio	18
♦ Charles Wheeler	18
♦ Mike Novotny	14
♦ Kevin Anderson	10
♦ Conrad Liston	10
♦ Larry Shaw	10
♦ Ray Shaw	10
♦ Ken Watson	10
♦ Chris Yates	10
♦ Larry Rice	8
♦ John Schavina	8
♦ Mike Thorton	7
♦ Ken Brackenbury	6
♦ Don Drake	6
♦ Joshua Szabo	6
♦ Luke Wheeler	6
♦ Kevin Gay	4
♦ Bob Jackson	4
♦ Dave Adams	2
♦ Dallas Alsdurf	2



Cholla Chapter Chitter Chatter

by Pat Goodin

As I write this article, I'm sitting in the cool pines of Arizona. We left Cholla Bay on June 19th, so as far as chitter chatter from the Cholla Bay/Rocky Point area goes, I have very little information. However, as far as Cholla Bayers - well, there are quite a few around this area of Show-Low, Lakeside and Pinetop. On Thursday, July 18th, a group of 26 Cholla Bayers got together at the home of Bucky and Estelle Maud for a "Cholla Reunion". It was a great cook-out with steaks, potatoes, corn on the cob, salads and drinks. Great fun!

August 7th started the Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club Campout "96". It was good to see everyone. Since Ila Ketelhut is writing a separate article about the campout, I won't put much in here, but on behalf of all the campers, I would like to thank Jerry & Ila for all their time and efforts in getting everything set up - bringing in wood and water, cleaning toilets, and all the general planning and scheduling. They did a terrific job! We also want to thank them for the cocktail party they gave at their casa on Friday. They had some good food and drinks. Evelyn Fought and I had "good??" drinks fixed by our host and bartender Jerry K. We named them the E&P Especial. But have you ever had Vodka and tequila (instead of tonic?) Evelyn kept adding more tonic (Tequila) because the drink was too strong. I gave mine to Ken when Jerry wasn't behind the bar, and fixed one myself. Same thing! Finally, we found out that Jerry had tequila in the tonic bottle. I switched to "real" vodka and tonic. Evelyn didn't want to waste hers.

We have heard some really bad news regarding the deaths of some of our CBSC members. We are so saddened to hear that Adele Curtis, "Pat" Patterson and Mickey Ryan died. Also, Tin Man (Rick Kensol) was killed in a car accident. Our sympathy goes out to their families.

Under sick bay... Nancy Schmidli's hip surgery is scheduled for sometime in October. Both Clive & Noel Jordan are having hip surgery also, I think they said sometime in September. I wonder if it's catching? Jerry Reidhead is recuperating after recent surgery. We'll all be thinking of all of you and wishing you well.

Oh, just something cute. Jerry and Ila were in Cholla Bay in July and saw 13 quail on the beach in front of their house.

As of this writing I don't know where the October meeting will be, but as usual it'll be the second Tuesday. Listen on channel 26 for the place. Some will be back to Rocky Point by then. If so we'll see you at the meeting. Hope everyone has had a good summer!

THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF RAFFLE PRIZE WINNERS FROM THE CBSC FISHING DERBY WHO HAVE NOT CLAIMED THEIR PRIZES.

If your name is on this list or if you know anyone on this list please contact or have them contact Dave or Kelley Adams at 6824 S. Hardy, Tempe, AZ 85283 or call (602) 345-0623, or if in Cholla call "Bedrock" on the radio. (The prizes are in Cholla.)

All prizes not claimed by November 30st 1996 will be donated back to the raffle drawing for next years derby.

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CHOLLA BAY - CHANGES - TIME AND MEMORIES

I first arrived in the Puerto Peñasco area in March of 1973. My daughters' 13 year old girl friend was our guide. (She had spent numerous camping trips at Sandy Beach with her family.) As we traveled the road from the border south to Puerto Peñasco, I thought how desolate everything looked. Could there really be the Sea of Cortez ahead of us? My thoughts were jarred by the sight of a swollen dead horse surrounded by turkey buzzards, along the roadside. Upon viewing that grizzly sight - I really became dubious. Hey, I'm a midwest gal - those buzzards didn't look overly friendly to me!

We finally arrived at Sandy Beach for our family camping weekend. One look - WOW - we were all instantly in love with the beauty of the area and the local friendly Mexicans. During that first camping trip we ran out of ice. Fellow campers directed us to Cholla Bay. We found Patty & Ramon's original store. Ramon Jr. was just a little guy, but he was our store clerk. CHANGES - TIME AND MEMORIES. I was appalled at the buildings in Cholla, (Remember - city gal from the midwest), but also very curious about the cabin owners. Mexican? American? I had to know.

I found out. After five years of camping at Sandy Beach - I bought a Cholla Bay "shack". My three teenagers and I became Cholla weekenders. Every other Friday night the car was loaded with passengers and supplies and off we traveled to our wonderful piece of "Paradise" - Cholla Bay. We enjoyed bringing new people to the area. Some saw the beauty - others didn't. So be it - we were thrilled to be part of the community. Yes, Homeowners Association and the Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club. CHANGES - TIME AND MEMORIES. Time went by - the teenagers attended college out of state, but would always return to the "shack" and "memories" of Cholla Bay. CHANGES - TIME AND MEMORIES

Teenager #1 becomes adult - moves to California and has her own beach.

Teenager #2 becomes adult - moves to Colorado, but still returns to Cholla Bay every chance she can.


Teenager #3 becomes young adult. Tragic death, but ashes are scattered over the area he loved - Cholla Bay and the Sea of Cortez.

Mom, (me) moves to the "other side of Puerto Peñasco", better known as Las Conchas. Changes, I too, have my own beach. Favorite Cholla "shack" was sold to a relative. A few years fly by and once again it's time for changes. Big changes, Cholla changes. Relative decides to "bow out" of Cholla and give up the "shack". By this time "teenagers" have adapted to electricity, telephones, etc., etc., so they aren't interested in Cholla Bay "shack" land purchase. Hey, they can stay with us and just enjoy everything.

I watch, with mixed emotions as the "older Cholla folks" leave and newcomers arrive to purchase the homes and land. CHANGES - TIME AND MEMORIES. The older places are all getting face-lifts, Ramon Jr. is now married and the father of two beautiful sons, the Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club is still strong and active - and most of all - my heart is in Cholla Bay, but my "tush" is in Las Conchas.

I was told years ago - "Once the sand of Mexico touches your shoulders, you'll always return". I did and I'm here to stay. Viva las Cholla Bay.

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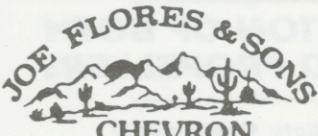
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Last year, my husband Tom and I purchased a home in Cholla Bay. Who would have ever thought we would be gifted with such warm, caring, wonderful neighbors.

My first reaction when I investigated our surroundings was the feeling of stepping back in time. I knew from the very start that I could live without electricity, pumped in water and modern day shopping malls. Back to a simple time; a more innocent time. After all, I was a ghetto kid. Our home in Brooklyn, NY was a cold-water flat on the third floor that was lit by candlelight with a coal stove to cook our food and dull the numbing cold of the winter nights. As poor as we were, we were very rich indeed because mom and dad managed to fill our blessed home with laughter, music, dance and jokes.

So many times as I walked through life I wondered what happened to our neighborhood of people who shared in the giving of each other, the trust, love and the art of conversation instead of television. I didn't need to wander too far, for the people (my new friends) in Cholla bay and Rocky Point made it possible once again to understand the need to be adventurous, tell jokes, dig for clams, collect rainbows and water spouts, smell the flowers, set out food and water for the unwanted animals. They say "Hello" to everyone, go barefooted, read books, act silly, hold hands, hug, kiss, laugh and even fly kites. But what really makes our community unique is the make-shift Mobile's (Guess what it used to be) ATC's, ATV's and (now) me with my golf cart that I call my "Sunshine Mobile".

Augustin, our numero uno policia, makes personal sacrifices to be there whenever help is needed. He's the best tracker, always keeping in tune to what's happening and keeps our little corner of the world safe for us. I'm glad I am on his side.

My new friends, we have loved the dinners we have been invited to, the grand bash at the OBSC and the fun-filled Fish Fry at the CBSC. I now know for sure that Elvis is in fact alive: I know because I danced with him and have the pictures to prove it. Thank you for the wonderful cruise to San Felipe with all the laughter, charm, wit and funny stories from the invited guests. It also allowed me to fulfill a personal dream to swim with the sea lions.

But most of all, we thank you for your acceptance of us as the new kids on the block. We will try to live up to the Cholla Bay Creed.

You are never too old to play, to take naps, to say "ouch!" when it hurts, talk to animals, do anything that brings happiness, celebration, relaxation and understanding. I believe that laughter is the spark of life; dreaming is hitching the soul to the stars; taking time to help a friend is a source of happiness and we all know that taking time to play is the secret of youth.

Hoping to be your friends for life.....Sunshine Josie



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CHOLLA CHAPTER AUGUST CAMPOUT

Aug. 7th-13th, 1996

This year's campout was hosted by Ila & Jerry Ketelhut and was bigger than last year's event. Forty-nine people attended the campout, plus a few more visitors showed up. Everyone said that they had a great time and couldn't wait till next year.

On Friday afternoon twenty eight people attended a party at the Kettlehut's house. A good and relaxing time was had by all. But maybe next year we should have a different bartender. Who ever heard of putting tequila in a tonic water bottle. Pat and Evelyn kept telling Jerry, "This drink is too strong..give me some more tonic water." Vodka and tequila don't mix!

Back at the campground Bill Chastain and Del Moore won in horseshoes. Lois Chastain, Wanda Lee, J D Marshall and Sandy Moore won the wild rope game. John Perrotta came closest to guessing how many pine cones were in the box (There were 204 and he guessed 207). Many other people had fun playing botchy ball too.

On Saturday we had a door prize drawing. It was a lot of fun and everyone who entered walked off with a prize. There was also a pot luck on Saturday night, and all the food was luscious.

On Sunday night the good campers honored Ila & Jerry with a steak dinner. We're not sure about the potato that Al Lee served us, though; it was a rock wrapped in tin foil. Thank you very much for the dinner.

Unfortunately everyone did not register at the campout, but the majority of people that did attended are listed below:

Terry Beazley.....	"Terry B"
Bob & Diena Belk	
Bill & Lois Chastain.....	"JC & Louisa"
Joan Charette.....	"Lobo"
Alice Christian.....	"Lov-it"
Dave & Edye Conner.....	"Sun Dancer"
Bill & Joann Dawn.....	"Some Day"
Jim & Marge Dumas.....	"Frenchman & Tomahawk"
Robert & Cheri Ebert	
Jack & Jane Ebert.....	"Jack & Queen of Diamonds"
Will & Marion Flinders.....	"Toucan"
Evelyn Fought.....	"Evilina"
Shirley Gayne	
Phil Gobin & DJ Marshall.....	"Go Go & DJ"
<i>Brandy Sue (dog)</i>	
Pat & Ken Goodin.....	"No Le Hace & Diablo"
Darrell & Eve Hardy.....	"Blockbuster & Cactus Wren"
Bob & Barbara Hauser.....	"Glamis & Lady Bug"
<i>(We Have two Lady Bugs in the Cholla Chapter)</i>	
Hugh & Mary Hawley.....	"Double H & Marrielen"
<i>Chi (the cat)</i>	
Ray & Shirley Hemphill	
Clive & Noel Jordon.....	"Sun Worshiper"
Al & Wanda Lee.....	"Fat Albert & Miramar Granny"
Del & Sandy Moore.....	"Ajo Flash"
Ed Mueller & Granddaughter Sarrah.....	"El Pato"
Walt & Lois Osborn.....	"Graybeard & Dog Lady"
John & Linda Perrotta.....	"Solid Oak & Listo"
Ray Shaw.....	"Tropicana"
Jerry Todd & Mary Lou Casebeer.....	"Cherokee & Sweet Pea"
Sylvia Truman.....	"Mama T"
<i>Visitors were:</i>	
Ralph & Phyllis Smith.....	"Lucky Tiger & Tiger Lady"
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This summer, we lost two more long time Cholla residents and club members.

Pat Patterson "Borracho" past away July 12. We send our sympathy to his wife Doris and family. All of Cholla will miss him dearly.

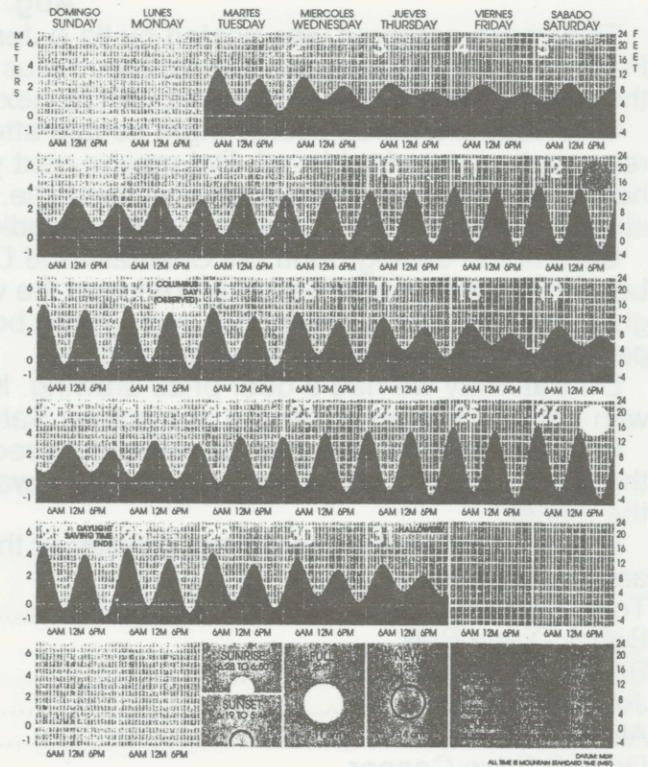
Mickey Ryan passed away on August 6th. Mickey was a teacher at Brophy Prep in Phoenix. He leaves behind his wife Ann, and 3 children.

We send our thoughts and prayers to their families in these difficult times.

VAYA CON DIOS "BORRACHO"

We have lost a very dear friend of Cholla Bay. Pat Patterson, cabin 295, was a great sports fisherman of Cholla for many years and achieved his "BIG 10" in fishing. Pat passed away July 12, 1996 and leaves behind many fond memories and great stories for us to remember him by. Pat will be missed in the early mornings, as he will not be out walking the roads and visiting his many friends of Cholla. If you look close you'll probably see his foot prints in the sand, for GOD took Pat by the hand and said, come son, it's time to come home.

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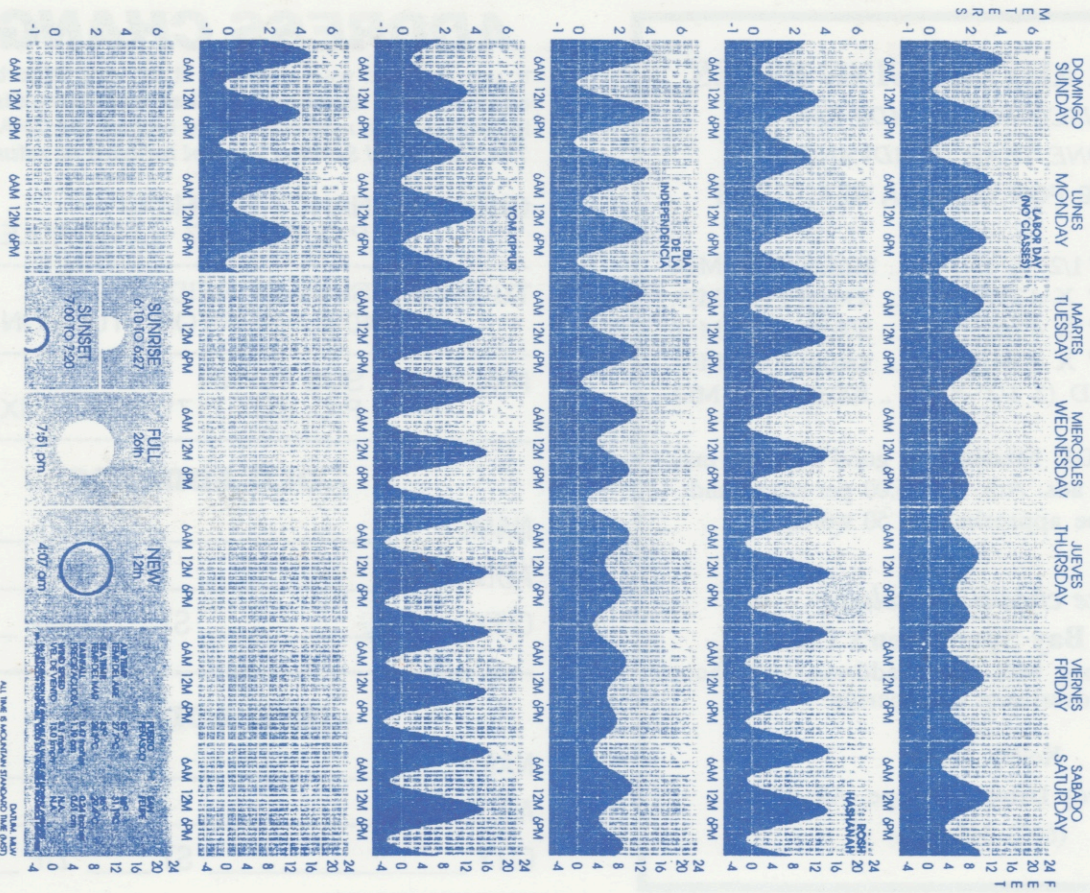
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