

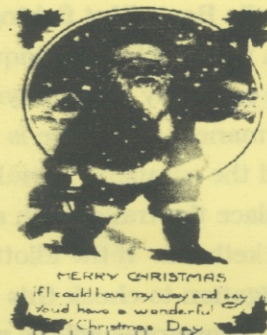
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#### UPCOMING EVENTS

December 3rd - The Cholla Chapter December Meeting at the Club House - Happy Hour at 5:00, Dinner about 6:00

December 17 - Christmas Party for our local Mexican friends

December 25 - Christmas

December 27th - Red Hat Lunch - Hacienda las Fuentes

December 31st - New Year's Eve (OBSC Party)

**MERRY CHRISTMAS !!**

#### TIP

Here is a tip that came from Linda Cobb, author of "How the Queen Cleans Everything" - To remove stain from guacamole - Gently lift solids with a dull edge. Flush with club soda, blot, wait ten minutes and flush with cool water. Finally, use carpet spot remover. Also works for onion or bean dip.

#### **CHOLLA CHAPTER NEWS**

by Pat Goodin

Our regular monthly dinner was held on Saturday, November 5th at the club house. Approximately 50 people attended our "4th of July" celebration. Some watched TV while eating, to see Arizona beat UCLA 52 - 14. A few of us played cards after everything else was all over.

Our derby chairman has resigned, so unless we come up with another one, chances are we will not be having a fishing derby this year. However, we've had 50 years of good derbies, and maybe it's time we let the fish "grow up" for a while. Who knows? I guess we'll see what happens.

Our final dinner for 2005 will be December 3rd at the club house. I think our January affair will be a pot luck on January 21st, but not sure about that. Watch for Nancy's emails for that.

#### **Editors Note:**

This newsletter is open to different points of view and does not necessarily reflect the view of the editors or all CBSC members.



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

November has brought us some almost perfect weather conditions. Cool in the mornings and evenings and sun bathing conditions in the afternoons. The fish are biting, wetting everyone's appetite for the Cholla Bay's 51st fishing derby to launch it's first phase.

A few people have inquired about some of the new trailers on various lots in Cholla. If you will recall, the company has always had a policy of allowing a trailer to be set on the property for one year while a permanent residence is under construction. Some of the trailers in Cholla have been grandfathered in and the company is making every effort to encourage the owners to improve their lots and, if possible, replace the trailer with a block construction which we all know is safer and better on the insurance pocketbook. If the allotted time has passed and the trailer is still on the lot, the company has the obligation to check this delay. Everyone knows how construction delays can enter into the building phase and allowances will be made if necessary to everyone's benefit and satisfaction.

'Tis the season to be jolly and it is time for all the holiday festivities to begin... We are all ready for that ...So, SEASONS GREETING TO ALL.

# MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL FROM CBSC

COOK'S CORNER

TOASTED COCONUT CREAM PIE

- 2 cups sweetened, flaked coconut
- 1 tub (22 oz) vanilla pudding
- One - 6 oz. ready-to-fill Oreo pie crust (reserve plastic lid)

1. Heat oven to 350, Spread coconut in a rimmed baking sheet. Bake, tossing twice, 10 to 15 minutes until toasted. Let cool
2. Mix pudding and 1-1/2 cups toasted coconut in a bowl. Spread evenly in crust. Cover with reserved lid and chill 1 hour or up to 2 days.
3. To serve: Sprinkle with remaining coconut. Garnish with whipped cream and pastel-colored M&Ms if desired. (The M&Ms would look pretty, especially at Easter time.

BRISA

I think by now everyone has heard about Brisa, the little girl who is almost 3 now, who was born with club feet. We collected a lot of donations last year and she had one surgery then to correct the one foot. Another surgery is scheduled for November 23rd, and it should be the last one which will be necessary to correct that foot and also the other one. I'll give a report in the next Chatter about the surgery, but wanted to thank everyone for their generous donations. Many people in Cholla in both the CBSC and the OBSC, plus other individuals both in Cholla and Rocky Point have donated. I want to thank everyone SO MUCH, and I'm sure that when Brisa gets a bit older she'll be so thankful that she'll be able to walk, run and play like other children.

SICK BAY

We were so sorry to hear of the untimely death of Cora Hornick of Cholla Bay. Our sympathy goes out to her family.

Donna Wilhite has been ill with back problems. We hope you're able to get back to Cholla soon, Donna.

Shirley McDonald is still recuperating from her ATV accident, after finding out that she had some cracked vertebrae. Hurry and get on the mend Shirley.

Julienne Wallace is recuperating after a knee replacement which she had in September.

KEN'S TRIVIA

How many stitches are on a regulation baseball?

ANSWER

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OPEN LETTER TO THE CBSCby Frank Paseka

When the 2005 fishing derby was winding down, I was heavily recruited to take the derby chairmanship for 2006. I accepted the job because I believed that I could take the derby forward from the high of the 50th year derby. Unfortunately I find that this is not true. I placed an article in the Chatter requesting feedback on two questions. The responses that I received showed a clear split on the issue of fishing for Grouper. The people that fish wanted grouper in the derby and the people that don't fish wanted grouper excluded.

Apparently a number of respondents felt that they needed to respond to a member of the board of directors versus me and that person did not feel that it was necessary to forward the information to me. Why, I do not know? While I was trying to find out what the CBSC members wanted and what the Mexican authorities mandate concerning the waters we fish in, a meeting was called to decide the issue. I find that this also took place last year when the joint chairpersons tried to discuss this issue with the CBSC board of directors and a deaf ear was also given to them. A meeting was called and a decision was issued totally ignoring local authorities and the derby chairpersons.

I spoke with both of the non-board members that attended this 10/22/2005 meeting. I was told that it was the boards "recommendation" that grouper be excluded from the derby. The Chatter states "the CBSC board decided again to not allow grouper" in the derby. The Chatter also provides a very nice article provided by Jen for publication. It also goes further and states "the CBSC board has asked the Derby chairs to continue excluding the grouper" from the derby. I do not know just what games people want to play, but I will not play them. I was never asked my opinion about anything or just what information I had obtained. The CBSC board has not contacted me about anything concerning this issue.

As a direct result of this, I respectfully submit my resignation as the 2006 derby chairman. I am not sure what the board of directors was looking for, but I am not it. For what it is worth - my survey indicated (by the people that fish) that the target fish was a good idea, not that any of my ideas were/are any good. I want to make a very plain statement. Sports fisherman have a impact, but no fish species has ever been placed on the endangered list by sports fisherman. In the last 100 years 90% of the oceans fishes have been depleted, should we stop fishing all together?

COUNCIL COMMENTS RE: "OPEN LETTER TO THE CBSC" (above article)

by Pat Goodin

I am Council Secretary, and therefore would like to clear up a few points which Frank stated in his letter to the CBSC. Number 1 - Although I received some responses in regard to Frank's request (I assume he was referring to me), all of the ones that I received were copies of those which had been addressed to Frank and copies sent to me. Maybe others received the same emails also. I don't know. Since I was just "copied" I saw no reason to forward them to Frank. 2. We (Council) did not call a meeting to decide the issue of the grouper. Nor did the Council call a special meeting last year in that regard. We did, however, have a regular meeting, and at that time the subject was brought up and the Council felt that if it would endanger the species, it probably shouldn't be included. As a Sportsmen's Club, we felt that it would be the correct thing to do. We had not had the occasion to speak with Frank about the decision, since we did not know when Frank was or would be in Cholla. He did not contact us. As far as we know, the Mexican authorities do not prohibit the catching of grouper at this time, but the problem still remains that they are an endangered species. 3. No one is "playing games"





### Santa Claus is Coming to Cholla Bay

On Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup> there will be much excitement in Cholla Bay.

That is the date for our Christmas Party for the Mexcian Families that live in Cholla,(not to be confused with J J's party on Christmas day) This party, for the children will be held at the Clubhouse, beginning about 11 a.m.. Hopefully, Santa and Mrs. Santa will arrive by sleigh, probably drawn by an ATV. All the children and families will have their pictures taken with Santa and Mrs. Santa. One of the crafts will be decorating the frames for their pictures. This year the pictures will be digital, giving us much more choice of sizing and quality. The kids and moms are all especially excited about the pictures. Another activity that is a favorite, each child will be able to choose a piece of jewelry to wrap and give their Mom. Hopefully the Cholla Children's choir will sing and there will be piñatas, another favorite activity. Oh yes, they will also be served hotdogs, chips and cookies and candy canes.

After the party, and after Santa and Mrs. Santa have a chance to rest a little, they and their elves will deliver the boxes of food and toys to each of the houses. As you can tell, this is really a "big" day.

We will need a lot of help to make this a successful party. So many of you have helped us in the past and I hope you will do it again. It is a very rewarding experience and the only activity that we do for the Mexican families as a community in Cholla.

If you would like to help, please call me, Nancy Schmidli at 382 5036 or Agnes Felton at 382 5084.

We also need donations of the following food: beef or pork roasts (we give each family a nice sized roast 5 or more lbs.), peanut butter, jam or jelly, canned fruit and vegetables, mayonnaise, flour, canned or packaged soups, pinto beans and rice. We can also use the following toys: balls, baby

dolls, Barbie clothes, games, puzzles and books in Spanish. We especially need gifts for the 12, 13 and 14 year old boys and girls. If you don't want to shop, we will do it for you. Send or give any donations to Nancy Schmidli, P.O. Box 218, Lukeville, Az. 85341. Make checks payable to Cholla Bay Christmas Fund. I plan to be in Cholla from Thanksgiving until after the party to take donations and especially roasts. I know you won't get this chatter until a few days before the party, but we will probably still need your help....

Last year we gave gifts and boxes of food to 35 families with 88 adults, 31 boys and 44 girls. This is what Christmas is all about!!!  
Nancy S.



As of this writing, November 9, 2005, the Sea Lion is still coming to Tucson Beach. I have named him

Sammy Sea Lion. When I went down to photograph him this evening, he didn't appear to feel well, but then I don't know much about the actions of sea lions. He was moving very slowly, a little at a time and lay down to rest a long time before moving further to get out of the waves. I zoomed in for a close by and his ribs were showing and he has a long scar near his right fin. It looked to be healed, but may be a battle scar. He did look and act much better two weeks ago. He seems to want to get out of the water to just lie on the shore, but there are too many people around that will not leave him alone and so yesterday, he just gave up and swam out.. Hopefully, he will still be here for another photo for the next issue. Maybe he is just lonely for another sea lion....

Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>... I haven't seen Sammy for 2 days now. It has been pretty breezy and there have been waves, so he may not be able to come in or doesn't choose to.

Nancy Schmidli





## “Let’s Go Fishing”

From Rosario Villa, via the launching pad.

Fishing has been improving. Chino and Crazy Charlie got into the Pinto, and brought one in which weighed in at 42 lbs. Others have been boated. Also, 10 to 12 lb. red snappers have been brought in along with several 3 to 5 ft. long hammerhead sharks.

Villa coordinated a search and rescue at Playa Bonita in which Jim Lavoie and the skipper of the “Night Rider” pulled in a broken down boat on Saturday night, the 5<sup>th</sup> of Nov.

Business is picking up. There were 50 to 60 boats and jet skis launched in Oct. On the subject of fishing, the Cholla Bay Sportsmen’s Club is in need of a chairman for next year’s 51<sup>st</sup> fishing derby. We are looking for a fisherman, or interested non-fisherman, to fill this roll. If we can’t find someone the derby might not be held. It’s not too late to volunteer!!!

When Villa is not launching or running the Radio Shack, he does small mechanic jobs at the launch area on trailers and boats, etc.

Happy Fishing!!! Don Schmidl

### Change of Address

If you have a change of address, don’t miss getting your chatter. You need to send your new address to Nancy Schmidli, P.O. Box 218, Lukeville, Az. 85341. The U.S. Postal Service will not forward bulk mail, and our chatters are sent by bulk mail.



### A House for the family of Maria Built by Rocky Point Mission Team

On Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup>, volunteers from the Chandler Christian Church, headed by Jeff and Sally Petrik, who have a house in Cholla, came to Rocky Point and built a two room house in the barrio of Rocky Point for Maria and her family. There were 30 + people on this team, not all pictured here. They are called the Rocky Point Mission Team. The team consists of men, women and children, dedicated to helping less fortunate people have a better life.

They supplied all materials, poured the concrete floor and foundation on Thursday, framed in the walls on Friday and finished off the walls, roof, doors and windows on Saturday. The only thing left to do was some more stuccoing on the outside, which some members of the family hopefully will do. That was a lot to accomplish in three days. The needy family was chosen by Esperanza de Vida, which is the organization that Connie White founded to help the people of Rocky Point after the hurricane Nora blew through here in 1997, and is located in the Colonia Nueve, north of the paved road into Cholla. They have a Bible Study every Saturday, and some of us from Cholla serve the food to them from time to time. Previously the family lived in a lean-to with dirt floors. Maria cried and laughed at the same time, so happy to at last have a home. The team was tired and sore, but very happy to have done God’s work....




**Membership News**

We have 257 members in the Cholla Chapter and 41 in the Tucson Chapter for the year 2005. I'm sorry to report that we do not have any new members to welcome this month but we would like any of our new members to attend the Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>. dinner at the clubhouse beginning about 5:00 p.m. The price for members and house guests is just \$5 each. We will be having turkey and all the trimmings. Please join us for this so we can get better acquainted...

It is almost the end of the year and that means that CBSC membership dues are due. Remember that your dues support the purchase of equipment for and maintenance of the VHF radio system that is very necessary for all boaters. We also pay Villa a monthly salary to operate the radio and be on hand to help with organizing search and rescue operations, when necessary. We also have to maintain the Radio Shack and Ship's Store and the other building in the complex at the launching area. These buildings are in great need of repair. The council is planning to put on a new roof in the near future and do some other types of remodeling. We also are responsible for the taxes and utilities at this complex and help with these expenses for the Clubhouse. Also your dues pay for the publishing and mailing of this Chatter Newsletter.

Please fill out the form below and mail it, with your check to me, Nancy Schmidli. Those that wish to join the Tucson Chapter, please also mail your dues and filled out application to me and I will send you check to Enidena so that you will be recognized as a member of the Tucson Chapter. This will better facilitate our mailing records, as I print the address labels for all the monthly Chatters.



**Membership Application 2006      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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