



FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

As the newly elected president of the Picacho Hills Property Owner's Association, it will be a challenge to maintain the level of leadership and community involvement established by our past president, Franklin McKay. Fortunately, Franklin remains on the Board of Directors in the capacity of vice president, and we look forward to his continued involvement. I would like to continue working toward two of Franklin's major goals as president, specifically community improvement and development of a closer working relationship with the individual subdivisions within Picacho Hills. Last year's PHPOA golf tournament, held with the cooperation and help from the Picacho Hills Country Club, generated funds to be used for neighborhood improvements. Perhaps this can become a traditional annual event.

Please welcome four new board members: Pat Anderson, Lynn Ellins, Ed Steckley and Dave Zeemont. With their backgrounds and experience, they will certainly be an asset to the PHPOA team. On behalf of the community, I would like to extend a big THANK YOU to our retiring board members, Michael Allen, Ken Eastlack, Norm Mosley and Sheri Wood. A special **thank you** is also extended to Elaine Childs, who donated a tremendous amount of time and energy assisting Ken and the other board members in the community improvement projects. You all did a fantastic job, and we truly appreciate your contributions.

When the recently updated PHPOA directory went to print, there were 241 paid memberships, representing only 41 percent of the listed addresses. Although membership in the PHPOA is voluntary, I would encourage all of you who have not joined, or simply forgot to pay your dues, to do so now. Considering the benefits provided to the members and the community, the nominal membership fee of \$45/year is a bargain, amounting to slightly over 12 cents per day for homeowners. Lot owner dues remain at \$25. Membership and member participation are paramount to the success of an organization. We can't help without your support.

Unless otherwise scheduled, PHPOA board meetings are held at 4:00 pm on the first Tuesday of each month, at the Picacho Hills Country Club. Members are welcome to attend these meetings to voice concerns and/or provide input toward the solution of problems.

Bob Oheim

Congratulations . . .



to the door prize winners at the annual meeting: Sylvia Bizzel, Denise Cope, Sandy Cruz, Michael Elavasky, Tiffany Etterling, Tim Henderson, Annette Hendrick, Karen Huggins, Carol Peterson, Alice Terry and Mary Ann Waddell. Each winner received a \$50.00 dining gift certificate at Picacho Hills Country Club.

The door prizes were donated by Picacho Mountain LP, Picacho Hills Country Club and the Picacho Hills Property Owners Association.

Congratulations to the winners. Enjoy!

YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2006/2007

As a result of the elections at the 22nd annual PHPOA membership meeting on March 14, 2006, the Board is as follows:

			Term Expires			Term Expires
President	Bob Oheim	526-1716	2007	Directors	Lynn Ellins	523-0090 2007
Vice President	Franklin McKay	527-4750	2007		Nancy Fuller	647-0505 2008
Secretary	Pat Anderson	541-4570	2008		Ed Hendrick	523-7733 2007
Treasurer	Dave Zeemont	523-0913	2008		Becky McNair	526-9369 2007
					Ed Steckley	524-2466 2008

<u>Standing Committees</u>	<u>Committee Chair</u>	<u>Members</u>
Budgets/Planning	Bob Oheim	Dave Zeemont, Nancy Fuller
Community Improvement/Roads/ETZ	Lynn Ellins	
Covenants/Safety/Security	Ed Hendrick	
Directory	Ed Steckley	
Hospitality	Becky McNair	Joan Sheehan, Jan Newman, Hospitality Representatives
Membership	All Board members	
Newsletter	Nancy Fuller	All Board members
Nominating	Bob Oheim	
Utilities	Dave Zeemont	PHPOA: PHUC: Steve Blanco, Dr. Narendra Gunaji



HOSPITALITY REPRESENTATIVES

<u>Street or Area</u>	<u>Representative(s)</u>	<u>Street or Area</u>	<u>Representative(s)</u>
Alhambra Court	Ellen Martin	Pueblo Gardens	
Barcelona Ridge Area	Sharron Stepro	Pueblo Vista	Marlys Kleppe
	Cindy Oheim	Ranchos de Picacho	Nancy Fuller
	EvaJane Cheyre	Spanish Point	
	Sylvia Bizzell	Via Campestre	Becky McNair
Bright View Road	Lisa Wigkamp		Joan Sheehan
Butterfield Ridge	Marlene Cleis	Via Emma	Mary Mulvihill
Calle Vista Bella &	Elaine Childs	Via Norte 1130 - 1415	Sharon Glazier
Barcelona Ridge Rd.		1420 - 1600	Jean Windels
Camino Blanco 6704 - 6736	Jan Hall	1601 - end	Marilyn Hansen
6740 - 6842	Doris Walker &	Via Rubi, Via Turquesa &	Phyllis Taylor
	Donna Wood	Via Diamante	
6894 - 7146	Diane Nelson	Villa Chiquita	Barbara Moon
Camino Nuevo Mejico	Jodie Bixby	Vista del Reino	Marilyn Hansen
	Ruth Omick	Vista de Oro	Becky Fuller
Cordova Circle.	Pat Anderson		Denise Brooks
Coronado Ridge	Lynn Derksen	Vista del Cerro 1307 - 1412	Marion Mills
	Kathy Mayer	1432 - 1565	Ed Steckley
Desert Blossom &	Carol Coryell	1575 - 1676	Mary Ann Waddell
Deer Ridge Court		Vista del Monte	Frances Stevens
Fairway 18	Pat Bigard	Vista del Valle	Sandy McQuinn
Fairway Village 1400 - 1499	Janet McIntyre	Vista Hermosa	Joan Harlan
1500 - end	Robin Cohen		Elaine Jeveli

Covenants – Protecting the Safety, Value and Beauty of the Community

As mentioned in previous newsletters, each of the 20-something subdivisions in the Picacho Hills community is regulated by a set of covenants. Although the covenants are similar in many respects, there are differences in the requirements of various subdivisions. Please review the covenants for your particular subdivision, particularly before making any additions or modifications to your property or residence. Most of the subdivisions have a design control committee which must pre-approve structural changes, outdoor walls, color changes and major landscaping.

Your covenants will likely present restrictions on certain vehicle types which may be parked on your property or the public street. Generally, campers, boats, recreational vehicles and large trucks must be parked in a garage, except for limited times, usually specified, during unloading etc.

Some of the recent complaints received by the PHPOA include heights of trees and other vegetation that blocks views, either for aesthetic or safety reasons; excessive noise caused by  radios, vehicles and barking dogs;  laundry hanging outside in public view; inappropriate exterior lighting (lighting that is directed up or into a neighbor's property), and probably the most common, dog owners that do not clean up after their pets.

Please cooperate to maintain Picacho Hills and your own subdivision as a desirable residential area.

Bob Oheim

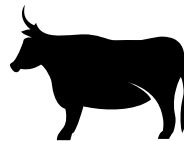


Hospitality Committee

Welcome to new Hospitality Committee Street Representatives Barbara Moon (Villa Chiquita), Pat Bigard (Fairway 18) and Lynn Derksen & Kathy Mayer (Coronado Ridge). We still need representatives for Spanish Point and Pueblo Gardens. Please volunteer if you can.

Becky McNair 526-9269
Hospitality Committee Chair

Cattle Problem – No More Bull?



BLM representatives gave a presentation at the PHPOA board meeting on March 7, providing much welcomed information regarding resolution to the problem of cattle in the area. The BLM and the Burke family, owners of the cattle, are coordinating an effort to provide a fence to prevent future incursions of cattle into the Picacho Hills community. Materials estimated at \$7,473 will be provided by the BLM, and labor estimated at \$26,218 will be provided by the rancher. The total length of the proposed fence is 19,100 ft. or approximately 3.6 miles. The western boundary of the fence has already been flagged, and the BLM is currently obtaining the necessary clearances and filing the environmental impact statement.

Much of the terrain along this fence line is very rugged, so the fence will be challenging and time consuming to build. The fence is proposed as a 3 barbed 1 smooth wire, with steel posts. For safety reasons, it is important that the public is made aware of the erection of this new fence. The BLM will utilize flags, white-topped poles or other measures to increase fence visibility so that ATVs, etc. will not accidentally run through it.

The expense and effort of this endeavor are not within the normal responsibilities of either the BLM or the rancher. With this in mind, I believe the entire Picacho Hills community owes a sincere “thank you” to all parties involved in this project.

Bob Oheim



Picacho Hills Women's Huggers Luncheon Schedule

Come meet and get to know other Picacho Hills women, have a gourmet lunch, and enjoy PHCC's beautiful view. Social time is from 11:30am to noon with lunch served at noon.

IMPORTANT: This is the only notification of the luncheons. Please mark your calendar or save this article.

The next luncheons will be:

April 20 Reservations to Sharron Stepro 541-8922 by Monday, April 17

Menu choices: Grilled Salmon BeBe -or-
Chicken Duxelles en Croute

May 18 Reservations to Sandy Cruz 541-0171 by Monday, May 15

Menu choices: Apricot Chicken -or-
Grilled Colorado Broil

September 21 Reservations to Becky McNair 526-9269 by Monday, September 18

Menu choices: Grilled Colorado Broil with salad -or-
Balsamic Salmon Salad with soup

Cost is \$16.00 per person. Menus include starter; rolls & butter; coffee, tea and water; dessert; tax & tip.

CANCELLATIONS: Must be received 48 hours prior to luncheon to avoid incurring a luncheon charge. (NO-SHOWS WILL BE CHARGED)

Newcomer's Social



The Picacho Hills Property Owner's Association Newcomer's Social was hosted by Picacho Hills Country Club

on February 12. We even arranged to have the beautiful full moon come up over the Organ Mountains as the PHPOA Board members and PHCC Manager, Chuck Dunn, shared

some of the activities available in Picacho Hills. Over 100 were in attendance and enjoyed the wonderful hors d'oeuvres which included a roast beef carving station, hot and cold appetizers, cheese & crackers, crudité platters and wine.

Becky McNair
Hospitality Committee Chair

Join the Adopt-a-Road Gang . . .

Even though we have Spring and Fall Picacho Hills Clean-ups, we still have blowing trash, construction debris and just plain careless littering. Join with family, neighbors or friends and adopt a portion of one of our many roads. Every little bit of clean up makes our neighborhood look better. Areas "adopted" are:

- Picacho Hills Dr. – Rt. 70 to 1st curve (both sides)
- Picacho Hills Dr. – 1st curve to 'Y' intersection (north side)
- Barcelona Ridge – 'Y' intersection to San Marcos Ct.
- Barcelona Ridge – San Marcos Ct. to Coronado Ridge
- Via Norte – Picacho Hills Dr. to Via Campestre
- Castile Court

- Becky & Ed McNair
- Elaine Childs & Ken Eastlack
- Cindy Oheim
- Jerry Stepro
- Mary Ellen & Franklin McKay
- Nancy & Terry Fuller



Call Becky McNair (526-9269) and let her know which area you will be working on. We will ALL thank you!

. . . and **Spring Cleanup** is scheduled for Saturday April 29th. Please refer to the Flyer included in the delivery of this newsletter for details, and be sure to join your neighbors in this important effort.

ETZ News and Picacho Mountain Committee Update

The PHPOA and members from individual Picacho Hills' subdivisions have been working with the developer of the proposed 780 acre Picacho Mountain master-planned community to clarify items of concern for our residents. The developer, Picacho Mountain LP, formed by Community Builders International, has listened very patiently, and we have reached a mutually cooperative and supportive role toward the resolution of these concerns. The first phase of the development will consist of about 67 home sites on 96 acres, and will be called Las Estancias de Picacho Mountain.

Picacho Mountain LP received a variance to the operational buffer zone within the Las Cruces International Airport Operations District on December 15, 2005. The Las Estancias de Picacho Mountain sketch plan and preliminary plat were approved at a public ETZ hearing on January 5, 2006.

A progress meeting was held with Picacho Mountain LP principal Bob Pofahl on March 1. Ground breaking for the project was scheduled for the end of March, and roads and utilities will be in August. To date over 60% of the lots have been sold.

The State has allocated a portion of the funds for a traffic light at the entrance to Picacho Hills Drive at Picacho Avenue (US Rt. 70). Other developers will pay a small percentage of the cost of the light and Picacho Mountain LP has agreed to pay the balance. Hopefully, installation will be completed by the end of this year. In order to relieve traffic on Anthem Road, Picacho Mountain LP has revised the phasing and will move the next two phases for development to the south and west in order to create a loop between Barcelona Ridge Road and the Picacho Mountain development.

The Showcase of Homes will be held at the end of April, and Picacho Mountain LP requested permission to set up a tent near the entrance to Coronado Ridge, including a portable rest room for marketing the development. The Coronado Ridge committee members at the meeting had no objection.

The developer has worked out an easement agreement (at Picacho Mountain's expense) with John Moscato, Coronado Ridge's developer, to enlarge the existing ponding area at the northwest edge of Coronado Ridge. This will greatly aid those of us to the east by alleviating the opportunity for flooding during the monsoon season.

Bob Oheim and Lynn Ellins
Past & Current Chairs. ETZ Committee



Exercise at Picacho Hills!

The women's Jazzercise Class is hoping to offer a second class on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9-10am in the Mesilla Room.

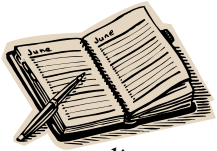
Each exercise session will consist of a warm-up segment, an Aerobic segment, and a muscle-toning segment. The instructor will be Dianne Sage, a professional. The cost is \$30 per month. During the summer months the two classes will combine as one Water Aerobics class held at 8am at our Club pool. membership is for the year round program. Water aerobics is not offered as a



Class
separate class.

Several members have already expressed interest. We must have at least 12 women sign up to establish the class. If you are interested you may arrange to attend a session of the 8am class to preview our program.

Contact Sheri Wood (541-0259 or mikevwood@zianet.com) for details or to enroll.



New Directory Inserts

The new inserts for your Directory are being distributed with this newsletter to those who are members of the Picacho Hills Property Owners Association. All newcomers to Picacho Hills receive a complimentary Directory at the time they move to Picacho Hills. If you are not a member of the PHPOA for 2006, you will not receive the insert. If you are not a member and wish to have an update they may be purchased.

Please advise us of any corrections, deletions or additions to the directory and they will be published in subsequent newsletters. Contact me (541-0259, mikevwood@zianet.com), new directory committee chair Ed Steckley (524-2466, edwins@comcast.net) or your Hospitality Representative.

Sheri Wood

Below are changes received after the Directory was submitted to the printer:

Welcome to new residents:

Crichton	Bruce & Alisa	523-5145	6704 Desert Blossom Rd.	crichton005@peoplepc.com
Hash	Frank & Fair	526-2384	1280 Vista del Monte	
Koverman	Gary	525-9421	6797 Desert Blossom Rd.	lazykk@yahoo.com
Lagnenbahn	Ed & Joyce	647-2942	8042 Renoir Loop	
Landsberger	Russell & Christine		1413 Via Norte	
			mail: 20865 N. Juniper Lane, Barrington, IL 60010	
Little	Kathryn		5808 Mira Montes	
Macaulay	Bob & Jan	760/518-4660	1153 Castile Court	jmac810@netzero.com
Schafer	Rick & Olivia	523-8800	8180 Constitution Rd.	rick@greenchiponline.com

Changes:

Bucci	Robert & Lu	change phone: 635-5210
Jones	Richard & L. Lawson	change email: rgjones@zianet.com
Leseth	Bob & Sandy	add phone: 647-1856; add email: bobsandyl@comcast.net
Schwebke	John & Debbie	change email: jschwebke@prodigy.net
Wilsky	John & Janice	change phone: 523-0247; add email j2wilsky@earthlink.net
Zimmerman	John & Mary	change email: jzimmer@earthlink.net

Remove:

Albersen, Dennis & Cathy
Lucero, Vickie



Boldt, Ben & Betty
Strachan, Michael & Betty

Hand, James



Newsletter Distribution Committee Being Formed

PHPOA is now distributing almost 800 newsletters. And it is being done by 41 Hospitality Committee representatives. It is a growing problem getting all these newsletters delivered in a timely fashion. Hand delivering this many newsletters, considering the wind, gated houses and the lack of mailboxes has become almost prohibitive. Mailing each issue would be cost prohibitive without a raise in membership dues.

We are forming a committee to consider alternatives to hand delivery. This, most likely, will involve computer distribution (we would still personally deliver to those without access to a computer). Preliminarily we are considering using a web site or email delivery.

If you have ideas or comments or computer expertise, please join this new committee.

Nancy Fuller 647-0505 thefullers2@comcast.net
Newsletter Committee Chair & Editor