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Canoa Seca Estates II Newsletter



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President's corner

Dear Neighbors,

We hope everyone has had a wonderful Holiday Season and that the New Year brings you health, happiness and prosperity.

Thank you to Norma Soulet and all the volunteers that helped brighten our entranceways this holiday.

The Annual CSE II Homeowner's meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 5, 2010, at 2:00 PM. It will be held at the Desert Hills Social Center auditorium. The packet of materials will be distributed by early February.

The annual meeting is a great opportunity to meet your Board and Committee members. We all appreciate your support and look forward to seeing you at the Annual Meeting.

Sincerely,

Carl Schuster

Architectural Committee

The Architectural Committee would like to wish each of our homeowners a Happy New Year for 2010. Many of our homeowners will be returning for the winter season in the next few weeks. We hope that they find CSE II looking as nice now as it did when they left for the summer season.

The Architectural Committee, no doubt, will begin receiving inquiries and concerns about tree trimming (too high), exterior garage door lighting (invasive), and exterior painting requests (approved colors).

Let each of us be an active part of CSE II by surprising the returning winter homeowners that the above concerns have already been addressed by the homeowners who are currently here enjoying the wonderful mountains and views!

If anyone has a question about an "architectural concern", as spelled out in the November 2009 newsletter, please feel comfortable in contacting any member of the Architectural Committee with your questions.

Board Meeting Schedule

Homeowners are invited and encouraged to attend the CSE II Board Meetings. Meetings are held at the Desert Hills Social Center in room B.

Tuesday, February 2nd - 2:00 PM

***Plan to attend the Annual Meeting
March 5, 2010 - 2:00 PM
Desert Hills Social Center - Auditorium***

COMMON GROUNDS

We are happy to report that the Grounds Committee finished 2009 well under the budget presented at the last homeowners meeting. As you know, the approach to common area maintenance was to divide the work into three major categories; grounds, trees and weed control. All of the vendors we used did outstanding work. We thank them for their time and efforts.

Looking ahead to 2010 the same approach to common area maintenance will be used. First, we will trim and remove selected trees. This work will start before the end of January 2010. Homeowners are invited to go to the grounds website www.cseiigrounds.com to notify the committee, by email, with suggestions for the trees near your home. We will take your suggestions into account whenever we can. Remember, any and all work performed has to be in accordance with the CC&Rs.

As many of you may know, Gil Soulet has moved to Florida. During the past year, Gil was extremely helpful in guiding the committee to the new approach of maintaining the common grounds. If any of you wish to thank Gil, he can be contacted through his email address in the CSE II address book. We wish Gil & Norma a best wishes for their new Florida experience.



SAVE THE DATE

The Canoa Seca Estates II Annual February Potluck Dinner

When: Thursday, February 11, 2010
Social Time: 5:00 PM
Dinner Time: 6:00 PM
Where: Canoa Hills Social Center
Cost: \$3.00 per person
BYOB with setups provided

Flyers coming soon with more info.



New to the Block

Tom and Dianne Jurgens are new residents at 3811 S. Via del Trogon. Their phone number is 269-7887. They are most recently from Grand Rapids, Michigan but originally from North Dakota.

Tom and Dianne arrived the first week in December. They had a home on Desert Hills golf course several years ago which her parents lived in and cared for. Tom and Dianne would come for visits, but they had to sell it when her father's health failed. They are glad to be back in GV after looking over several areas. They love the warmth and sunshine and the nice small town feel. They will divide their time between here and a cottage on Morrison Lake in the Grand Rapids area.

Tom was in the Marine Corps and also had his own manufacturing company. Dianne owned a children's consignment store until her retirement last year.

Tom is an avid hunter and fisherman and enjoys golf. Dianne is very much a people person; she loves meeting and interacting with them. She likes to play bridge and works at playing golf.

They have two children; a son in Minneapolis, a daughter in Grand Rapids, and two grandsons and two granddaughters.

Patrick and Jane O'Hare are new neighbors at 3790 S. Via del Reyecuelo. Their email address is pagohare@cox.net and their phone # is 207-7959.

Jane and Patrick were snowbirds in Green Valley for 7 years before deciding it was time to settle into "one" place. They came from Darien, Illinois, and their three daughters are still in that area. Born in Ireland, the O'Hares came to the U.S. in 1964.

Jane was a nurse in her former life and Patrick was a Research Scientist with the Atomic Energy Commission, Dept. of Energy and Dept. of Commerce, among others.

Jane's interests are knitting and card making. They are both interested in reading, history and music. Contrary to rumors circulating, they do NOT own O'Hare airport.

CSE II Address Book

We would like everyone to check the current address book and verify that your name(s), address, phone number and email are correct. If you have any changes or are new to our neighborhood please contact Cathy Rathjen prathjen@yahoo.com to give her your information for the database.

CSE II NEWSLETTER

The newsletter is now available on our website:
www.cseii.com

If you do not have computer access please notify Ginny Lippert at 625-0686 so we can deliver your newsletter.

CSE II PET OWNERS

CSE II is one of the best neighborhoods in Green Valley. Let's all help keep it looking its best by remembering to pick up after your pet. Be considerate of your neighbors and help keep the common areas clean and tidy.

BON VOYAGE

It is with a heavy heart that we wish a fond farewell to Gil & Norma Soulet. They are moving back to Florida to be near family. We are happy for them but we will surely miss them. Many thanks to both Gil and Norma for their many contributions to CSE II. We wish them all the luck in the world. Happy travels.



Community news

Construction Update - the I-19 northbound ramp was closed on January 4, 2010, at Continental Road. This will allow for the widening of the on ramp and it will remain closed for a period of four weeks, weather permitting.

Motorists will need to use Abrego Road northbound to Esperanza Road during the closure to access I-19. Continental Road will remain open and all businesses will be accessible at all times. During the closure message boards will be in place to notify motorists about the closure. Motorists should drive with caution and obey all detours and speed limits through the work zone.

For more information on this improvement project visit the project website at www.roadprojects.pima.gov/I19Frontage.

Continental Plaza Intersection – the five light traffic signal at the entrance to Continental Shopping Plaza will be replaced with a three-light signal. Drivers making a left-hand turn will have to wait for the green arrow to make the turn. The decision was made for safety reasons. Several accidents have been caused by drivers turning left into the plaza and colliding with oncoming traffic. There will be signs posted warning motorists that left turns are permitted only on a green arrow.

Green Valley Community Food Bank -The Green Valley Food Bank Gleaners are ready to pick and transport your extra citrus to the Food Bank. They collected 54,901 pounds in 2009 that went directly to households in need. They hope to exceed 60,000 pounds in 2010.

To schedule a gleaning appointment please call 625-5252. The gleaning program will continue through April 15, 2010.

New Recycle Bins – Waste Management delivered new recycle bins to our neighborhood. They are designed for their automated pick up. Please place container with arrows facing the street for collection.

GREEN VALLEY



FIRE CORPS

Green Valley Fire District is looking for a few good men and women for their volunteer work force known as Fire Corps. Fire Corps is a nationally known organization dedicated to assisting fire departments and the communities they serve. Fire Corps perform numerous non-emergency functions for the District including snake removal, installation of reflective hydrant markers, smoke detector service and various duties around the District. Volunteers will undergo training classes for several weeks to perform the above functions as well as instruction in driving, radio operation, fire rehab and scene response.

Applicants must have a current drivers' license and will undergo basic background checks. Upon completion of class, new members will be asked to work at least 4-5 hours per week on "shift".

There is also a need for volunteers at the administrative level to perform various functions in the office setting. They will complete separate training.

Those interested in field work must be able to perform all duties including picking up venomous critters, climbing ladders up to 10 feet, lifting moderate loads, driving a full-size pickup and, in general, be reasonably fit and agile.

An information meeting will be held in January with classes starting the last week in January.

Interested parties should contact the GVFD at 625-9400.

CSE II RECIPE FAVORITES

Pork & Beans Cake (provided by Mary Brady)

2 c. sugar	4 eggs
2 tsp. baking soda	1 c. vegetable oil
2 tsp cinnamon	1 8 oz. can crushed pineapple
2 c. flour	
	1 11 oz. can Campbell's pork and beans mashed

Mix all dry ingredients in a large bowl. Mash the beans and add the crushed pineapple to the bean mixture, then add the eggs and vegetable oil to the bean mixture. Add bean mixture to the flour mixture, stir and pour into a greased and floured Bundt pan. Bake at 350 for 45 minutes or until done.

Cream Cheese Frosting

4 oz. cream cheese	8 oz. confectioner's sugar
1/8 c. margarine	vanilla

Cream all ingredients together, frost the cake and top with nuts.



If you would like to share a recipe with your neighbors,

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