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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Welcome back one and all!

By now most everyone is back to their Green Valley routine. The weather is at its best with cool mornings and evenings and clear blue sky days.

We are continuing our quest for the best decision in improving and preserving our streets. Jim Perkins has really been diligent in his research. We plan to have a presentation ready by our annual meeting.

I am sure you have noticed how great our common areas look. Our entrance ways are a work in progress and will soon be something to be proud of thanks to Carol Copeland, Paul Rathjen and the committee.

We are considerably under our maintenance budget which will help us with our future road maintenance expense thanks to Dick Semler, Wendell Byram and the maintenance committee.

We would like to assure you that our HOA continues to operate successfully and we need everyone's help. Please consider volunteering for a committee.

Please check out our website [www.cseii.com](http://www.cseii.com) for other HOA updates.

Very truly yours,

Carl Schuster

## TREASURER'S REPORT

For the period ending October 2010, net income is up \$7,295 when compared to the same period last year. The major items include interest income down by 82%. Offsetting this loss is reduction of common grounds expenses by 46%.

During the final quarter of this year, the Association will be mailing important documents to all homeowners of record. Included in the mailings will be a statement of dues for 2011 and information regarding the Annual Meeting, which will include ballots to vote on important Association issues.

These mailings will be sent to your local Green Valley address. If you require the documents sent to an alternate address please advise the Treasurer by sending your request to [mail@wbyram.com](mailto:mail@wbyram.com)

## HOMEOWNER MEETINGS

Homeowners are invited and encouraged to attend the meetings. Refreshments are served.

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

DECEMBER 7, 2010 Desert Hills – Room B

FEBRUARY 1, 2011 Canoa Hills - Mesquite Rm

ANNUAL MEETING - March 14, 2011

Desert Hills

## OUR 2010 AUTUMN EVENT



**Wine & Cheese Party**  
**Thursday, Nov. 11, 2010**  
**5:00 PM - 7:30 PM**

**Canoa Hills Social Center**

**Jake Trujillo and his friends; Ivan, Bud and Wally will share their guitar and singing talents with us.**

This is our annual "Toys For Tots" event. Please consider bringing a toy or making a cash donation to this organization.

Don't forget to drop off your reservation at  
Lynn Filiatrault's - 3789 Garzota  
ASAP

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## CSE II PARKING

Except for the sidewalks in the common area, each homeowner owns the sidewalk in front of their home. If you allow people to park on the sidewalk, you are responsible for any repairs. Please let your landscaper or repair people know that parking on the sidewalk is not allowed.

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## MAINTENANCE

We will be doing the fall cleanup in the common areas in November. This would include trimming bushes, removing dead cactus and plants in the common areas. We need to be aware that the fire department requires us to maintain the common grounds between homes so two firemen dragging one hose can easily get through.

We will also be spraying a fertilizer on plants in the common area within the new few weeks.

## CSE II ADDRESS BOOK

New address books were delivered recently. The following are some changes to the book:

Email address change:

Monte & Virginia Crook [mvcrook@cox.net](mailto:mvcrook@cox.net)

Milt & Joann Meigs [jhmeigs@aol.com](mailto:jhmeigs@aol.com)

Phone number change:

Rick & Donna Flynn 319-651-2777

Lloyd & Barbara Perry 520-207-1686

If you notice any incorrect information please notify Cathy Rathjen at [prathjen@yahoo.com](mailto:prathjen@yahoo.com)

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## WEBSITE

Website activity is starting to pick up as we get into the fall and our winter residents return. Pages receiving the most attention are Newsletters, Future Events, and Homes for Sale.

If anyone has pictures to add to the slideshow please forward them to me. Also, if anyone is interested in joining the Website Committee please contact me 520-306-6737. Website experience is not necessary.

Dick Semler

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## CSE II NEWSLETTER

If you have anything interesting you would like to share in the newsletter please email Ginny Lippert at [glippert2@cox.net](mailto:glippert2@cox.net) to submit your idea.

The next newsletter will be published in January. Be sure to check the website for updated information and events.

## NEIGHBORHOOD RECIPE

(Submitted by Altie Metcalf)

### PROSCIUTTO PINWHEELS

Serves 12-16

These are great appetizers to keep on hand because they can be frozen until you are ready to bake them. Take them out while preheating oven, cut while still frozen.

#### Ingredients:

- 1 cup freshly grated Parmesan cheese
- 1 1.75 oz pkg Pepperidge Farm frozen puff pastry sheets, defrosted
- 1/4 cup Dijon mustard
- 1/2 pound very thinly sliced prosciutto

#### Directions:

1. Sprinkle half of the cheese over your work surface and roll out one sheet of puff pastry into a 12X16-inch rectangle. Repeat with the remaining cheese and puff pastry sheet from the long side and seal the edges by pressing together.

At this point you can wrap tightly with plastic wrap and refrigerate for up to 2 days or freeze for up to 2 months.

2. Preheat the oven to 400 degrees F. Cut the rolls into 1/2 inch thick slices and place on a baking sheet lined with a silicone liner, parchment paper, or aluminum foil.
3. Bake the pinwheels until golden brown, 10-12 minutes, or 15-17 minutes if frozen. Serve hot.

#### Variations:

**Ham & Swiss Pinwheels:** Substitute finely shredded Swiss cheese for the Parmesan and Black Forest ham for the prosciutto.

**Goat Cheese and Olive Pinwheels:** spread a thin layer of softened goat cheese over each piece of rolled-out dough, then spread with 2-4 tablespoons of Tapenade, roll up and continue as directed.

- \* You can find puff pastry sheets at Continental Safeway - in the freezer section near where the dessert stuff is.
- \*\* You can find prosciutto packaged near the deli - in the refrigerator section where they have guacamole and other dips. Pick through the packages and get the freshest!

## JUST FOR FUN

### YOU KNOW YOU'RE TOO OLD TO TRICK OR TREAT WHEN ...

- You get winded from knocking on the door
- You have to have another kid chew the candy for you
- You ask for high fiber candy only
- When someone drops a candy bar in your bag, you lose your balance and fall over
- When the door opens you yell, "Trick or ... and you can't remember the rest
- You're the only Power Ranger in the neighborhood with a walker
- And the number one reason Seniors should not go Trick or Treating ...

You keep having to go home to pee.



What do goblins & ghosts drink when they're hot and thirsty on Halloween? Ghou-aid!!!

What is a Mummies' favorite type of music? Wrap!!!

Where does a ghost go on Saturday night?  
Anywhere he can boo-gie.

Why did the ghost go into the bar? For the boos.

Why did the Vampire read the Wall Street Journal?  
He heard it had great circulation.

Who was the most famous French skeleton?  
Napoleon bone-apart.

# OBITUARY

From an obituary printed in the London Times.  
Interesting and sadly rather true.

Today we mourn the passing of a beloved old friend, Common Sense, who has been with us for many years. No one knows for sure how old he was, since his birth records were long ago lost in bureaucratic red tape.

He will be remembered as having cultivated such valuable lessons as:

- Knowing when to come in out of the rain;
- Why the early bird gets the worm;
- Life isn't always fair;
- and maybe it was my fault.

Common Sense lived by simple, sound financial policies (don't spend more than you can earn) and reliable strategies (adults, not children, are in charge).

His health began to deteriorate rapidly when well-intentioned but overbearing regulations were set in place. Reports of a 6-year-old boy charged with sexual harassment for kissing a classmate; teens suspended from school for using mouthwash after lunch; and a teacher fired for reprimanding an unruly student, only worsened his condition.

Common Sense lost ground when parents attacked teachers for doing the job that they themselves had failed to do in disciplining their unruly children. It declined even further when schools were required to get parental consent to administer sun lotion or an aspirin to a student.

Common Sense lost the will to live as the churches became businesses; and criminals received better treatment than their victims. Common Sense took a beating when you couldn't defend yourself from a burglar in your own home and the burglar could sue you for assault.

Common Sense finally gave up the will to live, after a woman failed to realize that a steaming cup of coffee was hot. She spilled a little in her lap, and was promptly awarded a huge settlement.

Common Sense was preceded in death, by his parents, Truth and Trust, by his wife, Discretion, by his daughter, Responsibility, and by his son, Reason .

He is survived by his 4 stepbrothers; I Know My Rights, I Want It Now, Someone Else Is To Blame, and I'm A Victim.

Not many attended his funeral because so few realized he was gone.

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## WHAT DO OUR STREET NAMES MEAN?

For our new neighbors who are wondering what our street names mean. Each is a name of a bird in Spanish. Hence the name of our newsletter 'El Pajaro' means the birds.

Estelar: stellar  
Garzota: night heron  
Picamaderos: woodpecker  
Reyecuelo: wren  
Tejedor: weaver  
Tordo: thrush  
Trogon: climbing bird  
Urraca: magpie



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