

The Ridgerunner

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President's Column

What a wonderful time of year. Lots of decorations to see and plenty of "get-togethers" to attend. It is also a good time to reflect on another year and thank those who may have helped you.

As my 3-year Board of Director (BOD) term and second year of being your HOA President winds down, I would like to thank the entire BOD. They have really made this year enjoyable. We accomplished some great goals that will help future BODs understand their duties and responsibilities in a quicker timeframe. They have all been a joy to work with.

There has been one significant change to the Board since the last newsletter. Effective December 1st, Dave Churchill resigned from the BOD for personal reasons. He will remain a member of the Architectural Review Committee. Following our Bylaws, Section 6.13.2, Mike Millikin was appointed as Dave's BOD replacement for the duration of Dave's term, which is until the BOD Meeting following the 2017 Annual Meeting. Mike was elected by the Board as Vice-President.

Mike will bring us a new set of eyes for the BOD and some new ideas. I'm sure he will do a great job!

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Jim Chisholm
Vice President: Mike Millikin
Secretary: Marsha Barnes
Treasurer: Ed Davis
Member-at-Large: Nina Keck

2015 COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Architectural Review: Mike Millikin
Audit: Tom Six
Common Area/Median Maintenance:
Jim Chisholm
Food Bank: Sandy Churchill
Neighborhood Watch: Glen Barnes
Nominating and Elections: Nina Keck
Social: Lynn Chisholm

GVC REPRESENTATIVE

Primary - Nina Keck
Alternate - Mike Millikin

WEBMASTER

Primary - Jim Chisholm
Alternate - Dave Churchill

Business News

(President's Column, cont.'d)

Dave has served on our BOD several times and has chaired various committees over the years. His sage counsel has been appreciated. Thankfully, Dave is not going away – just stepping aside to pursue some other endeavors.

I also want to thank all of our committees. They do a lot of work behind the scenes. The projects they work are projects we don't have to pay someone to accomplish. That being said, we are always looking for new helpers and committee members. Please remember that your HOA will only be successful with continued help and support in all positions.

My wife, Lynn, and I would like to wish all of you a Happy Holiday Season and a Safe New Year

Jim Chisholm

2016 HOA Annual Meeting

Our 2016 HOA Annual Meeting will be held Wednesday, January 27, 2016, at 6:00 PM, at the East Social Center. There will be a Potluck at 5:00 PM, so please bring a dish to share. The agenda for the Annual Meeting and Potluck will be included in our end-of-year mailing.

2016 BOD Elections

One HOA Board of Director position will be decided in the January 2016 elections. Jim Chisholm's term expires this year.

Jim is seeking another term on the BOD. His biography will be included with the election ballots which will be emailed to you in December.

Per our By-laws, the Nominations and Election Committee will count and certify the ballots at the Annual Meeting and will report the results when completed.

Reminder - Annual Assessment

The HOA Board of Directors will be emailing the notice of your Annual Assessment in mid-December. This helps keep our books easier to understand. We are on a "cash basis" with the IRS and have to declare dues collected in the year that they are received.

The assessment will be due on January 1, 2016, but will not be considered late as long as the HOA receives it by January 16, 2016. Any money received in 2015 for 2016 dues will be deposited January 2016.



2015 FOOD DRIVE REPORT

Thank you to all of our Portillo Ridge caring neighbors for their donations to our Fall Food Drive on Thursday, November 5, 2015. The Food Bank shelves in early November were empty as other community Holiday drives had not started yet. Your committee picked up and delivered your donations of 509 lbs. of food, \$325.00 in gift cards and \$305.00 in checks, for a total of \$630.00. This donation included 212 jars of 16 oz. peanut butter. The clients were excited to see peanut butter on the shelf again.

Year to Date Portillo Ridge HOA has donated 899 lbs. of food and \$1,625.00.00 in checks, cash and gift certificates.

Your kind donations to the Green Valley-Sahuarita Community Food Bank will help to provide our local neighbors in need with a nutritious holiday meal.

Thank you to our committee volunteers: Deanna Brooks, Russ & Mary Alice Carlson, Sandy Churchill, Pat Cleveland, Anne Morrison, & Mack Summers.

- Sandy Churchill, Chairperson





FALL SOCIAL EVENT

A gorgeous autumn evening was enjoyed by 24 Ridgerunners at our Appetizer Picnic & Game Night on October 25th at the Canoa Hills Rec Center. Thanks to all of you who shared the food & fun!

Social News

Winter Social Event - The Holiday Party

On December 12th, 57 Portillo Ridge friends and neighbors gathered at the Grill on the Green to celebrate the season with a delicious dinner and plenty of holiday cheer!

Many thanks to Dave and Sandy Churchill for providing the place-saver name cards and manning the sign-in table, and to Gary Hultman and Judith LeClair for ordering and picking up the cake—even though they couldn't attend the party!

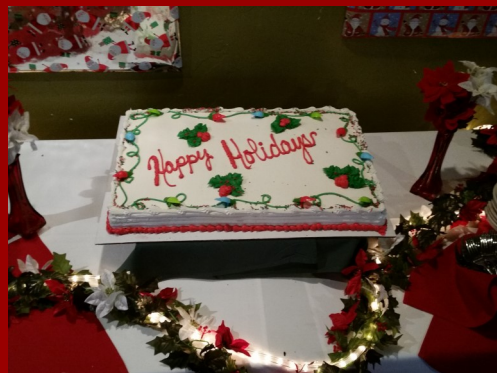
2016 Annual Meeting Potluck

Just a reminder that our Annual Meeting Potluck Dinner will be held on Wednesday, January 27th, at 5:00 PM, at the East Center, preceding the 2016 Annual Meeting.

Please bring a dish to share (salad, veggie, or dessert), and your beverage of choice.

The HOA will provide shredded BBQ beef, sliced honey ham, coffee, tea, and all service items.

Please plan on attending!



Help Wanted!



Volunteers Needed to Run our 2016 Spring, Fall, and Winter/Holiday Social Events!

Many thanks to those who have offered to assist with events. We never seem to lack helpers when it comes to set-up and clean-up, and that is truly appreciated!

What we really need, however, is someone willing to organize and run an event—picking a theme and date, securing a venue, making the arrangements for food and decorations, maintaining the RSVP list, etc., in addition to set-up and clean-up.

You don't have to volunteer to run all three events! Even if you can only commit to organizing a single event, that would be terrific! For more information, please contact Lynn Chisholm at arichizona@cox.net or 777-8334.



Etc.

CC&R Guideline Reminders

Exterior Paint

If you want to change the color of your house, you MUST notify the ARC for approval prior to starting. You do NOT need ARC approval if you are repainting your house the exact same color.

Trees

Trees between any homeowner and the Santa Rita Mountains are to be no higher than eighteen feet (18').

Post Lights

The maximum wattage for all outdoor lights is 40 effective incandescent (not LED) watts. If your light has more than one bulb, the total wattage for all the bulbs together is 40 effective watts. See ARC Guidelines Section 2.1 for details.

Caring & Sharing

If you know of a neighbor who would appreciate receiving a comforting note due to serious illness, hospitalization, or bereavement, please contact:

Jan Sink at 625-9471

or

Lynn Chisholm at
777-8337 or email
arichizona@cox.net

Recent Transfers

Lot 24 -

From Harold Sharp

to **Robert & Suanne Garioto**

Lot 18 -

From Jack & Theresa Hardey

to **John & Kathi Simmet**

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Please note that the Ridgerunner is your avenue for sharing news and events that may affect or be of interest to our neighborhood.

Your newsletter is produced by Lynn Chisholm, and published during the first week of February, April, June, August, October and December. Please submit any news items to her at portilloridgehoa@yahoo.com or arichizona@cox.net by the 20th of January, March, May, July, September, or November.