



KEY LINES

A Golden Keys Homeowner's Association Publication



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Next Board Meeting
Oct. 17, 2017

In Remembrance



Paul Meyer
Avalon



Open Letter to Golden Keys Neighbors

Hello Neighbors – Our names are Ruth and Ronnie. We reside in Golden Keys and our ancestors have lived here for years. They immigrated from Arcadia just after 2001 and we are proud to say we are now 10th or 11th generation residents. We have had the opportunity to meet many of you (generally at night) and look forward to meeting the rest.

Where do we live? That's easy – we probably live at your house or at least on your property – if not us then most likely several dozen cousins live with you. We spend 90% of our lives living 4 feet or more above ground. You might see us in a swimming pool, attics, garages, patios, property walls, and when we are really frisky, inside the walls of your homes! We start getting more active around November so keep an eye out for us.

You don't need to feed us. The fruit on your citrus trees is a bountiful. We eat all kinds of citrus, figs, pomegranates, soft-skinned fruits, and veggies – and the cool thing is we don't care if it is ripe! We also eat seed from bird feeders, dog and cat food (especially if you leave it out overnight), tree bark, candle wax, and paper.

We feel we have been unjustly accused of spreading disease – we certainly do not catch anything from each other nor from you. I mean, what's a little urine on your fruit or feces on the ground that you can track into your homes or cars? Most of you have Medicare, so if you catch anything, let Uncle Sam take care of you.

Sometimes we like to visit you in your homes. We can get inside through roof air vents, small holes (yup, the size of a nickel will do), or open garage doors. One neighbor heard our great aunt and uncle (Rita and Ric) running across their air ducts in the middle of the night – as the story goes, you should have seen the look of horror on those human faces! They were so upset that a couple of days later they spent \$700 to keep us out – not very neighborly!

You are going to start hearing about the importance of removing unused fruit from your trees by the end of February. There is also a recommendation to encourage you to trim all trees and bushes to be at least a foot or more away from your roofs. Finally, you may hear about a program by St. Mary's Food Bank to pick your fruit from your tress for hungry humans – hey, woohoo - what about us?

That's all cool – if you choose to make us feel unwelcome, we may just pick up and move across the canal or across Thomas Rd. Then you will be lonesome – how do you like those apples? (apples? – yummy!)

See you soon! Ruth and Ronnie, Golden Keys Roof Rat Alliance

Save the Date: October 21st—Octoberfest at the Clubhouse

Social Committee will be meeting at the Clubhouse on **Sept 26th at 3:00pm**, if you would like to help out please come to the meeting.

Mary Ellen Svoboda 480-945—6638

Things to do around Scottsdale— Lisa LeMaster

Eldorado Park Grand Old Picnic

Scottsdale Parks and Recreation invites you to join a celebration to commemorate the 50 year anniversary of the park's creation in 1967. The Grand Old Picnic is a free event with food and live music for everyone to enjoy. There will be some old fashioned games, great exhibits about Scottsdale's past and more!
Sept. 30, 4-7 pm, Eldorado Park, 2311 N. Miller Road.

Desert Botanical Garden Fall Plant Sale

Choose from more than 30,000 plants, including cactus, succulents, trees, shrubs, groundcover, perennials, herbs/veggies and more. Garden volunteers and staff horticulturists will answer questions and assist in plant selections. Specimen-sized plants and delivery services available.

Oct 21 & 22, Desert Botanical Garden, 1201 N Galvin Pkwy. Free admission to the sale.

Scottsdale Philharmonic Free Concert

The mission of the Scottsdale Philharmonic is to provide the City of Scottsdale and surrounding communities with a professional symphony orchestra performing a series of traditional classical music concerts without charge to the public, making classical music available to audiences of all ages. Next free concert is **Sunday, Oct 8 at 4pm (doors open at 3), Scottsdale Bible Church, 7601 E Shea Blvd, Scottsdale.**

Program: Berlioz - Roman Carnival Overture: Saint-Saens – Piano Concerto 2: Beethoven – Symphony 1.

Travels- *Karl Warner*

SUMMER EXPLORING WITHIN THE U.S.



Over the past few months I have made several trips within the U.S. traveling by car, air, light rail, van, bus and foot. I am delighted that even in the busy tourist season I had no large delays or cancellations.

I flew out of Terminal 3 at Sky Harbor and was amazed at the remodeling. The baggage claim area is still unfinished, but the check-in and security areas are complete.

In Los Angeles I was able to explore the region using the extensive light rail system. On two days I took downtown walking tours.

From L.A. I flew to Tampa for a week of exploration and concerts. By bus I visited Sarasota, Fort Myers, and Miami. The one mishap was when the bus broke down at dusk with the freeway on one side and swamp on the other. We were soon rescued.

I flew to Ohio and stayed in Amish country for a week while attending musical performances at the College of Wooster.



Important Notice—Clubhouse reservations

Cathy Besson will now be taking reservations for the Clubhouse. Please give her a call if you need to reserve the Clubhouse. 480-874 4232 - Thank you, Cathy Besson



Safety, Reminders & Community Tips of the Month:

TIPS FOR SLIPS AND TRIPS

Is it happening more often? We need to use our common sense and take preventative actions. I found in the website: Healthinaging.org a few ideas. 1) Have well-lit rooms and halls. Especially at night it is great to have those little nightlights that are inexpensive and decorative; 2) Paths free of books, shoes and other smaller items that we might not see; 3) Wear non-slip slippers/shoes that fit well when walking on the smooth tile; 4) Remove small rugs, especially at the top or bottom of stairs; have area rugs taped to the floor underneath; 5) Put rubber mats down in the tub or shower. **Be SAFE.** -Gina McCracken



Words of Wisdom -Janet Stein

"I want to die peacefully in my sleep, like my grandfather...not screaming and yelling like the passengers on his bus." Anonymous

"The Gay Side of Life"

The three year old insisted on helping me put the laundry away.

It has taken us 6 hours and 10 minutes, and apparently pants go in the fridge now!



Sports Trivia: -Tom Kernen



Only one team has won the World Series from three different home cities: the Braves. Once as the Boston Braves (1914), once as the Milwaukee Braves (1957), and once as the Atlanta Braves (1995).

FALL 2017 CLASS SCHEDULE for HOA classes:



Professional, volunteer instructors invite you to participate in classes regarding city programs, volunteer opportunities, personal safety tips and HOA guidelines. Classes are offered at no cost but registration is required. Classes are subject to cancellation if less than 10 (ten) individuals are registered or confirmed for each class. Classes start September 26th, 2017.

For more information go to: <http://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/citizen-service/college>

Events/Meetings/Social

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| Architectural Committee: | Oct. 10, 2017; 7:00 PM Clubhouse (2nd Tuesday of the Month) |
| Men's Poker : | Each Wednesday, 12:00 PM Clubhouse |
| Clubhouse Committee | Check posting at Clubhouse -Cathy Besson/6321 Catalina |
| Ladies Who Lunch | Oct 20, 2017 Allison Weiss 917-406-2561(filling in for Retta) |
| Creative Crafters | Oct 3, 2017 Nancy Dallett 480-990-3681(1st Tuesday of Month) (off July-August-Sept) |
| Men's Lunch | Sept 26, 2017 RSVP to Bob Will 480-946-4889 or Dan Svoboda 480-946-5055 |
| Bridge Players | Mondays 1PM Clubhouse—LaDeta Gandy 214-384-7150 |





RECIPE OF THE MONTH - - Fran Nicoletti



As a Weight Watcher member, I've enjoyed many delicious recipes. Since I have not had anyone send a recipe, I decided to share this Greek-inspired dish. If you have a recipe you would like to share, please feel free to send it to me. It is a great time to share your favorite holiday dishes. Enjoy! Fran

Howard, Brad	10/1
Svoboda, Daniel	10/9
Cuneo, John	10/15
Rooney, Nel	10/15
Herring, Ginny	10/18
Parish, David	10/19
Clontz, Geraldine	10/27
Janos, Violet	10/31

Stuffed Chicken Breast:

- 1 Tbsp **Olive Oil**, divided
- 1 small **onion** chopped
- 10 oz **Fresh spinach**
- 1 tsp **lemon zest**
- ¼ cup **feta cheese**, crumbled
- 1 tsp table **salt**, divided
- ½ tsp black **pepper**, divided


“Regard it as just as desirable to build a chicken house as to build a cathedral.”
 Frank Lloyd Wright, American architect. (1867-1959)

1 pound uncooked boneless skinless chicken breast cutlets pounded thin
In a large nonstick skillet, heat 1 teaspoon oil over medium high heat; sauté onion until golden, about 5 minutes. Add Spinach and cook until wilted

In a medium bowl, combine onion, spinach, zest, feta, ½ teaspoon salt and ¼ teaspoon pepper; set aside.

Evenly divide onion-spinach mixture over chicken, roll up and secure with toothpicks; sprinkle with remaining salt and pepper.

In same skillet heat remaining 2 teaspoons oil over medium high heat. Cook chicken, turning occasionally, until golden brown and cooked through, about 10 minutes. Remove toothpicks and serve.


 There will be a survey of the landscaping in Golden Keys to identify any encroachment on the sidewalks, driveways, and alleys by trees, shrubs, or plantings the week of October 15 – 22. Please look at your own yards, both front and back, and correct any “out of bounds” plantings.
 Thanks, Martha Spruell
 ASC Chair

All Architecture and Paint Palette -Requests for Golden Key contract Jenny Scirvner
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Golden Keys resident Shirley Goss

Will be performing at the
Granite Reef Sr. Center
Friday October 13th 1-3pm
Starz Revue will be presenting
Scottsdale's Got Talent 2017
For more information contract
Shirley 602-694-9449

Recipe Corner-

Please share your favorite recipes

Please submit recipes to:
msfran7441@hotmail.com
or drop it off at
6310 E. Pinchot Avenue.



Bridge Players
Mondays
1PM Clubhouse
If interested contact
LaDeta Gandy
214-384-7150



Creative Crafters:
Nancy Dallett
480-990-3681
Ndallett@cox.net
October 3, at 6:30PM
RSVP Please to Nancy



Ladies Who Lunch
Allison Weiss
mrsbakerweiss@aol.com
October 20th, Noon
Sanctuary
5700 E McDonald
Paradise Valley, AZ 85253



Men's Lunch,
Tuesday September 26, 11:30
Original Pancake House
Scottsdale, AZ
for more information contact:
Bob Will 480-946-4889
Dan Svaboda 480-946-5055

Arizona FALL LEAGUE

Boys and Baseball!

It's time to play more baseball in the **Arizona Fall League**. I have purchased a season pass for these games and I would like to invite some of the men from Golden Keys to join me for an afternoon out.

I am offering 3 games and I will take up to 4 fellows from GK to join me for each game. You can go to a single game or all 3. There is no cost other than if you want any refreshments. It's a great chance to hang with neighbors and watch some darn good baseball.

The dates for the 3 games are **Oct 27, Nov 1, and Nov 7** – all starting at **12:35PM**. The games will be played at either Scottsdale Stadium, Salt River Fields, and Sloan Park (Mesa) on the east side of town. It is very casual environment with no reserved seats. Each of the MLB teams assign 5-6 of their top prospects to play. Past alumni to the AFL include Mike Trout, Joey Votto, Albert Pujols, Brandon Webb, and Max Scherzer. You can read more details at <http://mlbfallball.com>.

If you are interested, call me at **480-941-5297** or email at **GKHOA_tom.kernen@yahoo.com**.

I am looking forward to a few fun afternoons together – Tom Kernen.

For Sale by Rainee Adamson

If interested, please call my landline at **623-215-3022** and feel free to leave a message if I don't answer.

FOR SALE!

16x24" 30-bottle wood/metal industrial wine rack
9-bottle blonde wood contemporary wine rack
Panasonic Inverter 1.6 cu.ft. 1250 watts stainless steel microwave
Large oval Talavera sink (mainly light yellow with blue, green, orange & pink)
Rosewood Victorian/Rococo Revival side chair circa 1865-1885
A few framed pieces of art--various sizes and subjects

I also have a few barely used women's clothing items:

2 pr. white leather Easy Spirit AP1 walking shoes, size 6.5
1 pr. tan leather-look Cabin Creek slip-on shoes, size 7M
1 Sak beige knit handbag
1 Sak beige/black knit handbag

We are still looking to start a **Bunco** game once a month in the fall. We need someone to take the lead on this. Please let me know if interested.



Thank you— Sue Kernen

Minutes of September 19, 2017, 7:00 PM
Golden Keys Homeowners Association Clubhouse

Directors present: Martha Spruell, Shelly Lear, Cathy Besson, Chuck McCracken, Carl Thompson and Tom Kernen

Absent: Jennifer Might

Approximately 11 members and guests were in attendance

Meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM by President Thompson

Agenda presented by Mr. Thompson and approved

June 20, 2017 minutes - motion made to approve the minutes - seconded; discussion followed; approved.

July 25, 2017 minutes of Executive Committee Meeting – motion to approve the Executive Committee meeting minutes – seconded; discussion followed; approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Architecture Committee: presented by Martha Spruell

Presented written report.

Finance Committee: presented by Tom Kernen

Presented written report.

Motion to approve the June, July, and August 2017 Financial Reports. Seconded; Discussion followed. Approved.

Landscape and Grounds: presented by Cathy Besson

Written report submitted.

Pool Committee: presented by Martha Spruell

Verbal report was presented.

Clubhouse Committee: presented by Cathy Besson

Written report submitted.

Real Estate Committee: presented by Jennifer Might

Written report submitted.

Communications Committee: presented by Tom Kernen

Verbal report presented.

Will be publishing a Key Lines publication schedule for the year.

Octoberfest Social to be held October 21.

Discussed Roof Rat awareness campaign.

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OLD BUSINESS

1. Report on ad hoc committees
 - a. Governing documents: Ken Healy resigned and is replaced by Bob Will. No chairman has been identified and a volunteer is being sought to step forward in that role.
 - b. Reserve Study: Has held meetings with committee and all agree an updated report is necessary. Mr. McCracken proposed that the Association go in the direction of revising the report internally. Discussion followed.
 - c. Web Site: No report was available.
2. Architecture Change Request Form
 - a. Still under review by the ALC.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Flag pole
 - a. As the Landscape committee prepared to award the work, additional issues were identified.
 - b. Motion: Approve \$2500 for the replacement of the flagpole. Seconded. Discussion followed. Ms. Lear indicated that she will try to manage to a \$2000 budget.

Motion to Amend: Mr. McCracken made motion to amend proposal to move the flagpole outside the fenced area. Seconded. Discussion followed. Amendment to motion failed.

Vote was to approve the original motion.

MEMBERSHIP FORUM

Several members addressed the Board.

Motion to move into an Executive Session. Seconded. Approved.

Executive session began at 8:07 PM,

Motion to end Executive Session. Seconded. Approved. Executive Session ended at 8:32 PM

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Meeting was adjourned at 8:32PM.

Respectfully submitted by,
Thomas Kernen, Secretary and Treasurer

Minutes of July 25, 2017, Executive Committee - 3:00 PM
Golden Keys Homeowners Association Clubhouse

Committee Members present: Shelly Lear, Martha Spruell, and Tom Kernen

Approximately 03 members and guests were in attendance

Meeting was called to order at 3:00 PM by Mr. Kernen.

Agenda presented by Mr. Kernen.

New Business

1. AZ Metroscapes irrigation repair of all the inside zones of the clubhouse grounds heads, rotors, risers, nozzles and other miscellaneous items. The original system was put in without overlapping of heads or rotors, that combined with our low water pressure cause bald grassless areas. This repair should decrease the underserved sprinkler coverage, and promote grass growth. Estimate \$1,472.90.

Motion to have the work performed by AZ Metroscapes as described in item 1. Seconded. Discussion followed. Motion approved.

2. AZ Metroscapes irrigation repair of the flower trellis area in the pool entry. The current lines are over top spray heads that spray water on the metal work causing erosion and rust. Changing them to ground level will reduce the water hitting the metal and will prolong the life expectancy - at a cost of \$173.10.

Motion to have the work performed by AZ Metroscapes as described in item 2. Seconded. Discussion followed. Motion approved.

Amended by Mr. Kernen: Landscape committee is approved to consider and implement alternative sources of color planting including additional "woks" and then re-purposing the trellis area for drought tolerant planting. Seconded. Discussion followed. Motion approved as amended.

3. Removal of the large juniper bush on the south side of the pool. It is overgrown, and trimming is not an option on an evergreen bush. This bush has become an issue for the pool; dropping debris in the pool, and impeding the passage on both sides of the bush.

Motion to have the work performed by AZ Metroscapes as described in item 3. Seconded. Discussion followed. Motion approved. Discussion followed. Motion approved.

4. Flag pole replacement by American Flag. Our flag pole bent during the July 16th storm. Barry Downs & Bruce Bourne feel it is beyond repair. It has been repaired at least 3 times in the last 4 years. The quote includes a 4" steel pole, installation, cement work, and it comes with a 5 year warranty. We will also need to purchase a flag (approx.. \$25.00), it is not included. Estimate \$1,370.35.

Motion to have the work performed by American Flag and Pole as described in item 4 plus a new American Flag. Seconded. Discussion followed – Mr. Chuck Colella will contact our insurance company to determine if the loss will be covered and the deductible amount, if any. He will also ask if such a claim would have a future negative impact on our rates at the time of renewal. Motion approved.

Meeting adjourned at 3:36PM.

Respectfully submitted by,
Thomas Kernen, Secretary and Treasurer

Treasurer's Office and Finance Committee Report – prepared by Tom Kernen

September 19, 2017

1. Bank accounts are balanced as of August 31, 2017.
2. A new CD was purchased through Vanguard which represents the HOA's 2017 contribution to our reserves funding. This is a 1-year CD at an interest rate of 1.40%.
3. The Thrivent CD matured on September 7 and the funds are being transferred to Vanguard to purchase additional CD's to support our laddering strategy. Redemption value was in excess of \$106,000.00. I am reviewing our options to buy multiple CD's with varying lengths of maturity.
4. I am asking all Committee Chairs to review their expenditures in view of the amount budgeted. To meet our goals, each committee must manage expenses to their budget or propose a plan to resolve overages. I am available to meet or speak to any committee wishing my input.
5. All other activity was business as usual.

Architecture Report for Golden Keys HOA Meeting September 19,2017

The Architecture Standards Committee (ASC) meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7 pm at the clubhouse. The agenda is posted on the bulletin board at the clubhouse the day of the meeting as there are late additions and deletions to the agenda. The minutes of the meeting are posted on the bulletin board within a week of the meeting. All residents are encouraged to attend.

In addition to reviewing a resident's application to make changes to his/her home's exterior, the committee is in the process of designing and refining the form used by residents making application to the ASC.

There will be a survey of the landscaping in Golden Keys to identify any encroachment on the sidewalks, driveways, and alley by trees, shrubs, or plantings the week of Oct. 15 – 22. Please look at your own yards, both front and back, and correct any "out of bounds" plantings.

Thank you,

Martha Spruell

Pool Report for Golden Keys HOA meeting Sept. 19, 2017

Pool sign-ins for June: 371

Pool sign-ins for July: 364

Pool sign-ins for August: 408

The pool house roof was cleaned off in August. I am going to call Southwest Gas to request that the gas be turned on during the last week of September. After the gas has been turned on, Swimming Pool Service and Repair will check the heaters. I'm hoping the pool will be warmed to 85 degrees by Oct. 1st.

The new pool lights make the pool lovely in the evening. And, there are no UV rays of any kind after the sun sets. It is a wonderful time of the day to be at the pool. Think about a refreshing swim in the evening.

Barry Downs and I are going to obtain bids for cleaning, painting, and sealing the cool deck. If approved, the work will be done when the pool is not heated.

Martha Spruell

Pool Chair

Golden Keys Homeowner's Association, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting Sept. 19, 2017
Landscape Committee Report
Submitted by: Shelly Lear

Shelly Lear, Committee Chair 480-993-3136
Donna Council, Committee Member 480-970-6354
Chuck Colella, Committee Member 480-800-7296

Landscape –AZ Metroscapes:

The irrigation system upgrade in August was very successful, we will continue to work with AZ Metroscapes to try and reduce the two areas that the sprinklers are not reaching.

Some of the oleanders around the AC unit are infected with Oleander Leaf Scorch, we are still watching them. It is possible that we might have to cut the stumps below the ground level and spray to kill further growth.

The large overgrown arborvitae bush on the North side of the pool has been removed. It had become an issue for the pool; plant debris falling in the water and impeding passage on both sides of the bush. This was voted on in Executive session on July 25, 2017. In the coming months the committee will address the electric that is located in the planter area as well as researching plants that will work in that area without water.

63rd Canal | Salt River Project | City of Scottsdale | Painting Metzger's:

The City of Scottsdale has finished cleaning out the trees from the southerly end of 63rd canal right of way. We have a homeless person living in the area that SRP cleaned up in July. I will be making contact with the police community advocate, SRP & the City to see what action we need to take to clear that out again. I hope to have the painting of the wall completed before the years end; it has been a challenge so I am making no promises. City of Scottsdale Contact Jeremy Hildebrandt 480-312-7921, SRP Contact: John Evans 602-236-2394, Metzger's Painting contact Chris 602-768-3559 or office 602-672-5069.

Ants Around Club House Grounds:

There has been an infestation of small red & black ants by the old shuffle boards and outside the club house grounds along Pinchot and 63rd place. Ant powder poison has been placed around the small mounds and is working nicely to kill them off. It was reported that ants were on the pool decking by the chairs, we found none the 3 days we were placing ant powder.

Flag Pole: Contact: American Flag 602-495-1776.

At the July 25, 2017 Executive meeting we approved American Flag Co. to replace our flagpole with estimate of \$1370.35. This includes a 4" steel pole for \$617.00, install \$617.00 cement work \$50.00, fuel \$20.00, and tax \$66.35. American Flag builds these poles on site with a 5 year warranty.

Further research I have found that we will have to obtain a permit that could run up to \$380.00 and that American Flag uses a truck to drop the pole; this is not feasible with the location of our pole. The updated quote that includes hand trucking the pole into the area is \$1,586.35. I am asking for board approval of \$2,500.00 to cover any extra expenses that might arise.

Pool Entry Trellis:

The soil level has been lowered and we are preparing to have the trellis repainted (it is still under warranty) before we reconfigure the water lines for draught tolerant plants.

A Big Thank You to my committee members for all their hard work!

Golden Keys Homeowner's Association
Board of Directors Meeting Tuesday, September 19, 2017
Clubhouse Committee Report

Committee Members:

Cathy Besson, Chair - 16 year Resident
Donna Council, Member - 15 Year Resident

Bob Will, Member – 17 Year Resident
Shawn Bridges, Member– 5 Year Resident
LaDeta Gandy, Member – 3 Year Resident

Committee Meetings:

None this month.

Maintenance Action:

Re-install door knob on women's bathroom door.
Pest Control – Contract: \$45.00 per quarter
Clubhouse Weekly Cleaning – Contract \$ 225.00 per month.

Damage to Clubhouse:

Door knob to women's bathroom was pulled off and left on the floor. If there is a maintenance issue, please contact Cathy Besson, Telephone: 480.874.4232 - immediately - so she may have the situation repaired quickly.

Clubhouse Event Reservations:

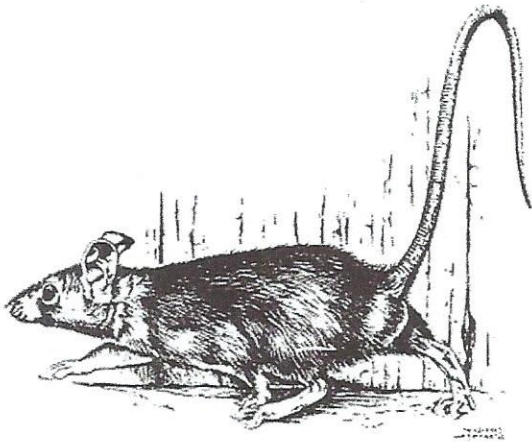
Tally Thompson has assigned the clubhouse reservation responsibility to Cathy Besson, the Clubhouse Chair. Thank you Tally for all of your hard work. Please contact Cathy Besson at 480.874.4232 or her email is cathybesson7@gmail.com to reserve the clubhouse. Cathy lives at 6321 E. Catalina.

Members: Please make sure ALL doors are locked when leaving the clubhouse or bathroom areas.

Please include on the Board Agenda for the 10.17.17 Meeting:

Review of Events at the Clubhouse, forms, rules and regulations.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cathy Besson



WE NEED YOUR HELP !!!

A number of years ago, roof rats came into our community from the Arcadia area.

These nasty rodents:

- ✓ Spread disease – on contact, urine, feces, through insects;
- ✓ Cause structural damage your homes – they chew on wires, insulation, wood, pipes;
- ✓ Make unsettling noises by running on your roofs and even in the crawl space under your roof and inside your walls;

Roof rates love trees and shrubbery – especially fruit trees.

WHAT YOU NEED TO DO ...

1. Pick excess fruit from your trees and off of the ground
2. Trim your trees away from your roofs and your neighbor's – be a responsible homeowner and a good neighbor
3. Home-proof access into your home – these ugly pests can crawl through a space the size of a nickel !
4. Remove pet food and water sources – they also love bird seed
5. **Practice eRATication!** Many neighbors actively trap and kill the rats. Paul's Ace hardware can give you advice. One of our neighbors has reported success using the ultrasonic sound devices Paul's Ace Hardware sells.
6. **Contact St. Mary's Food Bank** – they will place you on their list to pick your fruit and donate it to the Food Bank for a small fee. More information is on the next page.

If you don't want to do this, you should hire a professional to help.

Here is the bottom line: This is everyone's problem! You should have no fruit on your trees or on the ground after March 31 !!!

Check out <http://roofrat.net> for lots more information



Your excess citrus can become important nutrition for Arizona's hungry. Sign up to have your citrus trees gleaned for a small fee. Online registration is going on NOW and ends December 4, 2017. Please note that gleaning will start January 15th 2018 and ends on March 31, 2018. Gleaning schedule notifications will be sent as soon as your trees are scheduled for gleaning and you will be notified prior to the coming of the gleaning crew. You do not need to call for scheduling until the end of February in case we missed you.

ATTENTION: St, Mary's Food Bank Alliance will be gleaning in the following zip codes in 2018: 85018, 85251, 85373, 85374, and 85375.

Go to the Gleaning Scheduling Form to reserve your spot.

<https://firstfoodbank.wufoo.com/forms/wy wz73j12zwez6/>.

It may not be possible to accommodate all requests so submit yours early to ensure your place on their schedule.

If you do not have a computer, you can call the Food Bank at 602-242-FOOD (3663).