



From the Feb 19th Board Meeting

Following the January Annual HOA meeting, Secretary Kris Bean resigned her position from the Board. Kris took her duties very seriously and her good works should be commended. Max Perry was appointed to fill the remainder of her term. Many thanks to Max for his willingness to serve. This is not his first time on the Board and his history as an EE Board Member and Past President will be a valuable asset.

Bob Winterland has volunteered to attend and represent EE in the regularly scheduled meetings of the Green Valley Council (GVC). GVC is Green Valley's direct link to Pima County and keeping current with their works is vital.

Eric Ellingson Neighborhood Relations Chair, reported continuing problems/complaints regarding barking dogs and vehicles blocking the sidewalk in front of garages. As this is a retirement community, residents are reminded that many of our neighbors use walkers or scooters and often find it very difficult to navigate the sidewalks.

Bienvenidos Committee

We've been busy making the rounds welcoming our new residents to our wonderful community. Some fascinating people have found their way to Esperanza Estates, and we hope you will soon get to know them.

Steve Cable and Jodi Willenborg-Cable (Placita Nueva)

The Cables live on Whidbey Island which is just north of Seattle from late March until around Thanksgiving. They found Green Valley and bought their home last November. They like the friendliness here in Green Valley, and particularly in Esperanza Estates.

Jodi makes beautiful pottery using an Anagama (a large Japanese kiln) on Widbey Island. In Green Valley, she has become involved with various classes at GVR, including pottery.

Steve worked for Boeing for 29 years. He participates in various GVR classes, particularly in the wood shop at the West Center. He would like to start playing pickleball, as well.

Steve and Jodi's son is a junior at Western Washington University studying communications and they

Board Meetings

Board Meetings are held at 1pm on the third Monday of each month at the Sunset Ramada. No Board Meetings are scheduled during the months of July and August.

Next REGULAR Board meeting:

March 19th 1PM

Esperanza Estates Homeowners Association
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look forward to his visits.

Jack and Linda Pearce (Circulo Napa)

Jack and Linda are newlyweds (1 ½ years) who met by chance at Posada Java. You may have read about their wedding in the GV News because the ceremony took place at Rogers Rock in Madera Canyon. Jack called the title of the article "marriage on the rocks." A reception followed the ceremony at Posada Java.

Jack was born in northern California, went to school in Arizona and lived in Mississippi for 40 years. He moved to Green Valley to be closer to his son who lives in Tucson. Linda is originally from Wisconsin and has lived in Portland, Oregon. Green Valley has been her home for sixteen years.

Both Linda and Jack are avid hikers and mountain bikers. Linda is proficient in Kumihimo, an ancient Japanese form of braiding. She is best known for her decorative felting, and would enjoy teaching this art to the EE Artisans. Jack enjoys woodworking and is currently working on a mesquite dining table.

Janice Sullivan (Placita Nueva)

Janice Sullivan came to Arizona from Colorado in 2014 after she was in a bad accident when a semi-tractor trailer hit her car. She rented in Vail near family before finding her home in Esperanza Estates.

Janice has been a reflexologist for over 23

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Another Great Party

A BIG thank you to Dean and Robin Lockwood and their Hospitality Team for presenting another fun event for the Esperanza community.

The annual event, featuring the famous, homemade Optimist Club Italian sausage was the highlight of the event (the heavy rains of the day didn't stop folks). All net proceeds from the event (nearly \$600) were donated to the GV Sahaurita Optimist Club, whose purpose is to support the needs of local youth.



Hospitality Team members Roberta Bower, Robin Lockwood, Maridel Wise, Janet Kawalski, Kathy Lindeman & Joey Sourant



Optimist Club members & EE residents cooking: Dean Lockwood, Terry Shay, Jim Copeland, Al Prato & Kevin Welsh

Guests were thrilled that there was left-over sausage available for sale!

Upcoming Events

Sat, March 3rd: Annual Ramada Sale

This event, presented by the Enhancement Committee, is a very popular Esperanza activity requiring the help of a small army of volunteers. Following tradition, EE residents are invited to participate in a "pre-sale" from 4-5pm on Friday, March 2nd

Thurs. March 15: Pickleball Pizza Party, 11AM at Shade Tree Park (Pizza Oven). Bring a chair, beverage of your choice & a pizza to share (thin crust cooks faster and works well)

Sat, March 17th: NOTE CHANGE: "Your Heritage Potluck"

Social Hour 4:30/Dinner at 5PM

Have a favorite family dish that reflects your heritage or region? Now is your opportunity to share it with your friends and neighbors! Hospitality will provide special beverages at no cost to you!

Sat, April 14th: Spring Fling! Social Hour 4:30/Dinner at 5PM

We'll be traveling back to the 50's, complete with a DJ, dancing and a sincere "goodbye" to many EE snowbirds. You can look forward to burgers, hotdogs, beans, coleslaw, cookies, beer, wine, and soft drinks!

My Famous Relative, Quin Ryan Roberta Bower

When my younger sister and I were in grade school, we would usually lie in bed talking and laughing. About once a month or so we would suddenly hear the doorbell ring, followed by a booming voice, the clinking of ice, and the smell of cigars. That's when we knew my parents were visiting with Uncle Quin Ryan, who was not only our uncle, but the radio "uncle" of scores of Chicago children who had listened to Little Orphan Annie on WGN Radio.

Quin Ryan was married to my father's oldest sister Roberta, who died in 1943 and for whom I am named. They met at the Chicago Tribune where he was writing advertising copy for WGN Radio and she was the assistant society editor. He joined WGN in 1924 after graduating from Northwestern University. Ryan was a true radio pioneer who was the voice of Chicago broadcasting in his heyday. He was a jack of all trades who broadcast numerous sporting events, Chicago news and weather, family entertainment, and most importantly the historic Scopes evolution trial.



WGN's national broadcast of the 1925 Scopes Trial "Monkey Trial" was unprecedented. The trial was held in the Rhea County Courthouse in Dayton, Tennessee where it was the first time in American history that a trial included live radio coverage. Two titan attorneys, Clarence Darrow and William Jennings Bryan, battled over the case of evolution vs. creationism which Scopes eventually lost. No recordings of the trial were ever made, but the microphone used by my uncle is on display at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington D.C.

In 2000 WGN celebrated the 75th anniversary of the Scopes trial with a re-enactment. Sadly, no recordings of my uncle's voice were ever made, but John Williams of WGN played the part of announcer Ryan reading from saved transcriptions.

Some of Ryan's other accomplishments:

-first radio announcer for the Chicago Cubs

-delivered the play-by-play of Red Grange scoring four touchdowns in twelve minutes in a game between Illinois and Michigan

-reported both the Republican and Democratic political conventions in 1928

-broadcast the famous Dempsey/Tunney fight

-was the first announcer to provide live coverage of the Kentucky Derby

Our Uncle retired early, soon after World War II, and long before the popularity of television. My siblings, cousins, and I were really unaware of his career until we were older. As the years went by we met fewer and fewer people who remembered Quin Ryan, but we were often told that at one time he was truly "the voice" of Chicago radio.

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years. She works with clients doing water reflexology at Earth School Wellness in the Green Valley Village and in Tucson. She experienced that treatment during her own therapy after her accident.

Janice has lived in Esperanza since November and hopes to get to know more people as she settles into her new home.

Pat and Alan Wolfson (Calle del Regalo)

Pat and Al moved here from Portland, Oregon, but had spent a lot of time in the Northwest in Seattle and Spokane, as well. They bought their house in Esperanza in April and moved here full time in November.

Pat was a real estate paralegal for over 25 years. Al worked for the US Forest Service for many years and was the district manager for Seattle and Mt Rainier Park. After retiring from the US Forest Service, Al started his own company that develops Environmental Documents. He wrote 1200 pages in that area this year.

The Wolfsons came to a Forest Service meeting in Tucson many years ago. While driving on I-19 toward Nogales they saw Green Valley and decided to look at it again as they got closer to retirement. They rented for two years before buying their house. They like that Tucson is so close and that Green Valley is so friendly. They primarily decided to move from the Northwest when their son and his wife and children moved to Pittsburgh since being close to their family had been one of their main reasons for staying in the Northwest. Their grandchildren range in age from 3 to 21, and many of them plan to visit.

Looking for Native Plants? Roberta Bower

When we first purchased our home in Esperanza Estates my husband Wayne and I were anxious to replace overgrown shrubs with Native plants. Our goal was to plant specimens that would survive without water while we were back in Illinois. A kind neighbor mentioned Desert Survivors in Tucson and we have been their satisfied customers ever since.

Desert Survivors is not only an excellent source for advice and plants. It is also a non-profit human service agency that employs 40 adults with disabilities. As the parents of a son with special needs, we especially appreciate the fact that all the proceeds from purchases go directly to providing "unique horticultural therapy". The nursery was founded in 1981 by Dr. Joseph Patterson, a Tucson psychologist, who recognized the need for employment for disabled adults. The operation started with 5 employees who collected seeds from the desert and was originally open only three days a year for special sales.

Since 2004, the nursery has sold completely local and regionally native-grown plants on its 3.8 acre location. 75% of the stock is grown on site and the sales staff are extremely knowledgeable and helpful.

Desert Survivors is located at 1020 W. Starr Pass Blvd and is open Tuesday through Saturday from 8 AM to 5PM. Their website www.desertsurvivors.org is comprehensive, includes a plant list, and the dates of their annual plant sales. The next sale will be March 6-10, offering a 10% discount on all their stock to non-members and 20% to members.

Palate Pleaser Marla Ries

I find the unique combinations of spices and ingredients in East Indian food very pleasing. Many people believe Indian food to be too hot or too spicy. I have found that this is not true. My first experience with the true taste of Indian food was in New York City and I was hooked from there.

A few years ago a GV friend introduced me to Sher e Punjab (853 E Grant) that features not only a fresh, delectable lunch buffet, but also unique and very tasty items from an extensive menu. Since that day I have brought many friends there and they, too, are hooked!

Over the last couple of years I've read about a highly rated Indian restaurant on North Oracle Road. I don't head to Oro Valley often, so I've put this restaurant on hold until I had other reasons to head north,,,,TRUST ME!...You need no further reason to head north other than to visit SAFFRON INDIAN BISTRO (7607 N. Oracle Rd #101)! My discerning sister and I visited this establishment last month and oohed and aahhed through the whole meal. We took advantage of their expansive lunch buffet (so fresh and only \$10.95) and were overwhelmed by the bright and unique tastes.

And, shoppers, the restaurant is just steps from a Sprouts, Home Goods, Kohls, and many other well known stores.

If you've never stretched your taste buds to include East Indian, try it, you won't be disappointed!

A Local Historic Site Worth Visiting Roberta Bower

If you have an interest in local history and a desire to enjoy the outdoors you may want to venture about two and a half hours away from Green Valley to visit Fort Bowie near Willcox. In spite of its historic significance, Fort Bowie is the most isolated National Park Service unit in Arizona and is visited by the fewest people each year. The site is reached via an unpaved road and a 1.5 mile gentle hike. There is also a National Park Service road for those who are unable to complete the three mile loop.

Fort Bowie was in operation from 1868 to 1894. It was built near a spring, close to the important route between the Chiricahua and Dos Cabezos mountains known as Apache Pass.

The outpost for the United States Army during the dispute with the local Apache Indians, Fort Bowie was originally built by California volunteers and became the Army's main military base in Arizona after the Civil War. The long struggle with the Indians eventually led to Geronimo's surrender in 1886.

The historic relics seen on the inbound hike include a cemetery and a stagecoach station. The fort site itself has the preserved adobe foundations of the barracks, houses, horse corrals, a school, and a trading post. There is a staffed visitor center/museum with washrooms and a lovely porch where you can picnic and rest out of the sun. Rangers are available to answer questions.

The return end of the loop is a bit more strenuous for hikers, but affords a beautiful view of Apache Pass. One can easily picture the Native Americans on their horses riding over the rugged terrain. Author's suggestion: The harder walk will be worthwhile if after reaching your vehicle you reward yourselves with a treat from the Dairy Queen in Willcox.

Did you Know?

Having a party? Have a project going? Have children visiting? The Enhancement Team has a 'Loaner Program', and you're welcome to borrow items. Here's the inventory:

24 - white plastic chairs

6 - green plastic chairs

5 - six-foot long white plastic folding tables

1 - wheeled platform cart with fold-down handle; supports up to 300 lbs

1 - upright (2-wheeler) dolly

1 - padded, 4-wheel furniture dolly

1 - 17' telescoping ladder (suitable for

gaining access to the roof of your house)

Baby supplies

1 - baby or toddler car seat

4 - child booster car seats

2 - feeding chairs

1 - high chair

1 - umbrella stroller

2 - pack 'n plays (playpens)

To borrow items, call Lorna Kitchak (262-994-9508) or Jane Ellingson at 520-625-7782.



Book Discussion Group

The EE Book Discussion Group meets at 11am on the first Tuesday of each month at the Sunset Ramada. Meeting times are occasionally changed due to unforeseen circumstances. New group members are always welcome.

2018 Titles:

March 6th: *Inside the O'Brien's* - Lisa Genova, led by Karen O'Brien

April 3rd: *The Long Haul*, Finn Murphy - led by Cheri Day and Kathy LaVanway

May 1st: *Hotel Paradise* - Martha Grimes, led by Cynthia Surprise

Those present at the January 9th meeting discussed some of their favorite. Forever willing and able leader, Linda Sielken then compiled a list of those books and here they are, in no particular order:

Andrew, You Died Too Soon - Corinne Chilstrom

When a Father Loses a Son - Corinne Chilstrom

One Last Haircut - Corinne Chilstrom

Death Clouds - Kathy Hufault

Before We Were Yours - Lisa Wingate

Indian Horse - Richard Wagone

The Nightingale - Kristen Hanna

Skeletons of Zahara - Dean King

Unbroken - Laura Hillenbrand, WW II

All the Light We Cannot See - Anthony Doerr

Boys in the Boat - Daniel James Brown

Hillbilly Elegy - J.D. Vance

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From your Neighbor...

The great Chilean poet and politician **Pablo Neruda** wrote beautifully of the choice in one of my favorite poems, "**You Start Dying Slowly**". ~ Jane Ellingson

*You start dying slowly
If you do not travel,
If you do not read,
If you do not listen to the sounds of life,
If you do not appreciate yourself.*

*You start dying slowly
When you kill your self-esteem;
When you do not let others help you.*

*You start dying slowly
When you become a slave to your habits,
Walking everyday on the same paths...
If you do not change your routine,
If you do not wear different colours
Or you do not speak to those you don't
know.*

*You start dying slowly
If you avoid feeling passion
And its turbulent emotions;
Those which make your eyes glisten
And your heart beat fast.*

*You start dying slowly
If you do not change your life when you are
not satisfied
With a job, or with your love,
If you do not risk what is safe for the
uncertain,
If you do not go after a dream,
If you do not allow yourself,
At least once in your lifetime,
To run away from sensible advice.*

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Welcome to the Goddamn Icecube - Blair Braverman

The Dry - Jane Harper, mystery

All the Missing Girls - Megan Miranda

News of the World - Paulette Jiles

The Power of One - John Courtney

The Couple Next Door - Shari Lapena

The Story of Arthur Truelove - Elizabeth Berg

A Man Called Ove - Frederik Backman

The Kindness Challenge - Shaunti Feldhahn

High Tide in Tucson - Barbara Kingsolver

Lots of Candles, Plenty of Cake - Anna Quindlan

The All-Girl Filling Station's Last Reunion - Fannie Flagg

The Four Loves - C.S. Lewis

Too Close to the Falls - Catherine Gildiner

City of Light - Lauren Belfer

Empire of the Summer Moon - S.C. Gwynne

Pachinko - Min Jin Lee

Manhattan Beach - Jennifer Egan

Grandma Gatewood's Walk: The Inspiring Story of the Woman Who Saved the Appalachian Trail - Ben Montgomery

Pickleball...

During discussion of the proposed (now rescinded) pickleball courts at the Feb. EE Board meeting, Kevin Welsh reported that the GVR foundation has developed a new website; retirearizona.org. The website, funded by a Community Investment grant from the Freeport-McMoRan Foundation appears to have been developed by a Chamber of Commerce, as it touts Green Valley as the premier retirement destination of the country.....

In Memoriam

It is with sadness that we report the recent passing of Gerald Gafford (Ensalmo) and Henry Roessle (Napa). Sincere condolences to their friends and family members.

