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Next BOD business meeting—June 15

The April BOD meeting was held on Monday April 20. Minutes will be on the website after approval at the June mtg. March minutes were approved and will be posted on the website.

Barbara Still was elected President, Vincent Lorrain and John Thompson, new board members, were introduced. Thanks were expressed to Mario for his five years of service on the Architectural Control Committee during which he served as Chairman for the last two years. Vincent Lorrain is the new chairman.

Signs will be placed in various locations at the edges to our property stating

PRIVATE PROPERTY
SSHOA
NO MOTORIZED VEHICLES

Volunteers to help install the signs should contact Kay Daro at katiedaro@yahoo.com, phone 761-5212.

It was suggested to place reflective decals on the gate for better visibility at night. Also, the gates have been repaired to allow motorcycles out.

As a reminder, we desire to have lights in our area so they are not disturbing our night skies.

Several alternatives for adding rip-rap rocks along portions of Sycamore Hollow Trail and Tumbleweed Springs Ct to help control erosion of the roads during the monsoons are being evaluated.

Tree removal on several street corners for better visibility will be taking place this summer.

The HOA has more than \$200,000 in our reserve account in CDs and money market accounts for future needs. There are several delinquencies in HOA dues that will be addressed.

Five design change requests were approved in the last month.

Sally Danielson, a volunteer for Pima Co gave an excellent presentation on how to identify and remove Buffelgrass. This is a non-native grass that burns very hot (1300-1400 degrees) and very fast and is

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an extreme fire hazard. We do have Buffelgrass in our area and a law has been passed requiring the removal of Buffelgrass but Pima County does not have the funds to currently assist in this effort. These efforts are being driven by people like Sally. The preferred method to remove Buffelgrass is with a herbicide control like "Rodeo" or a generic like "Aquamaster". Pulling and bagging can be used, but it can spread the seeds. The seeds remain in the ground for 5-7 years so it is necessary to repeat this effort. Buffelgrass was introduced in the 1930s as a cattle feed, but no surprise, the cattle don't like it. Sally can be reached at 749-2184 and is willing to come and help homeowners identify and remove this grass. More information is available at the website www.buffelgrass.org or call 615-7855.

NEW MEMBER PROFILES

Carol and Larry Woodcock are building a home at Sycamore Ridge Trail and Lone Horse Trail and feel blessed to be moving to this beautiful community and will spend much of the really hot weather in Minnesota. Larry flew 8 ½ years as a fighter pilot including 312 missions in Vietnam, and remained in the USAF Reserves for another 20 years. He also was an American Airlines pilot and Carol was an American Airlines flight attendant where they met and married. Larry has

served the Lord full time since 2001 and will finally retire on July 1st. Please welcome Carol and Larry to our community. They can be reached at azrev@hughes.net.

Health Issues (comments by Robert Guerrero – Arizona Dept of Health)

There are everyday actions people can take to stay healthy

- o Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it.
- o Wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after you cough or sneeze. Alcohol-based hand cleaners are also effective.
- o Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread that way.

Try to avoid close contact with sick people

- o Influenza is thought to spread mainly person-to-person through coughing or sneezing of infected people.
- o If you get sick, CDC recommends that you stay home from work or school and limit contact with others to keep from infecting them.
- o If you are concerned about the flu-like symptoms you are experiencing, contact your healthcare provider.

For up to date information visit:

www.azdhs.gov/flu/swine/index.htm

We encourage you to submit articles of interest and photos of families or pets to [Mike Rose, 16476 Tumbleweed Springs Ct, Vail, AZ 85641](mailto:mrose15@msn.com) or e-mail mrose15@msn.com