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# THE SSHOA NEWSLETTER

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### Next BOD business meeting—April 20

The homeowners association annual meeting was held on Monday March 16. Minutes will be on the website after approval at the April mtg.

Two new members of the board were elected -Vincent Lorrain and John Thompson – and will be introduced at the April BOD mtg. We thank Tom Andrews and Sam Santistevan for their service on the board.

A buffelgrass expert will be invited to the next HOA meeting on April 20 to talk about identification and eradication of this invasive grass.

Seal coating of the roads will be taking place this fall. A person to coordinate this activity would be appreciated. Please contact Tom Andrews if you are willing to help [trandrews@aol.com](mailto:trandrews@aol.com), phone 751-3775

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As president of the Sycamore Springs HOA, I was pleased with the number of members and new residents attending the Annual Meeting, and we welcome the new members to our neighborhood.

I want to thank Mike Rose for his willingness to pick up the newsletter project.

The new BOD will meet and select new officers and they will be voted on at the April 20 meeting

Barbara

Rocks will be added along portions of Sycamore Hollow Trail and Tumbleweed Springs Ct this year to help reduce road erosion during the monsoons.

Three speed bumps will be installed along Sycamore Ridge Trail to reduce speeding. The speed bumps will be set so someone going 25 mph will not see a large issue. The board is requesting input on where to place the speed bumps.

James Thomas reports that someone is tagging cactus plants in what may be part of our common area near Sahuarita Road. An effort will be made to find out what this is about

Kay Daro volunteered to be the volunteer coordinator for the SSHOA. Kay can be reached at [kayKFH@aol.com](mailto:kayKFH@aol.com), phone 762-5212.

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Carl Jones volunteered to establish a directory of families in the SSHOA, for those willing to have their information included. Carl can be reached at [carlandsharon@gmail.com](mailto:carlandsharon@gmail.com), phone 762-0815.

Lois Rose volunteered to be part of the Community Action Committee (Social Committee). Contact our volunteer coordinator if you are interested in volunteering.

**Other activities in the area that may be of interest to some of our members are:**

Save the Scenic Santa Ritas Association is a non profit organization founded in 1996 to protect the scenic, aesthetic, recreational, environmental and wildlife values of the Santa Rita Mountains, Patagonia Mountains, Canelo Hills and San Rafael Valley through education and outreach. If you are interested in more information you can contact them at [info@scenicsantaritas.org](mailto:info@scenicsantaritas.org) or visit the website: [www.ScenicSantaRitas.org](http://www.ScenicSantaRitas.org).

A 3 page newsletter that some may find informative is Santa Rita Foothills Community Association; news about the Corona de Tucson area. You can join by sending a check to Santa Rita Foothills Community Assoc, PO box 861, Vail, AZ 85641. Eligible to join must live in the Corona de Tucson Fire District area. Single membership is \$10, \$15 per couple. A newsletter is sent out regularly.

Sonoita Vineyards near Elgin will be having a wine festival on April 25. There are several other wineries on the way. For more information visit their website at [www.sonoitavineyards.com](http://www.sonoitavineyards.com).

## NEW MEMBER PROFILES

Mike and Elaine Atkinson relocated to Arizona from California in the early 1990s due to their jobs. They recently moved to Sycamore Hollow Trail and are semi-retired and enjoy camping, boating, home improvement projects, motorcycling and spending time with their 18 month old granddaughter. Please welcome Mike and Elaine to the neighborhood. They can be reached at [azfishere@aol.com](mailto:azfishere@aol.com).

## Interesting stuff

Take your bananas apart when you get home from the store. If you leave them connected at the stem, they ripen faster.

Store opened chunks of cheese in aluminum foil - they stay fresh longer and don't mold.

To keep squirrels from eating your plants, sprinkle them with cayenne pepper.

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](mailto:mrose15@msn.com)