



Neighborhood Association Elections For Leadership Team Members Nominations Open Until October 17

Are you interested in serving your local community and continuing the good work of your local Neighborhood Association to improve our quality of life? Would you enjoy helping to represent and advocate for our neighborhood's interests to the City of Tucson? Perhaps you, or someone you know, would consider being on the Leadership Team of Civano Neighbors – your local neighborhood association.

What Elected Leadership Team Positions Need To Be Filled?

Four (4) elected At-Large Member positions on the Civano Neighbors Leadership Team need to be filled. At-Large Members help with functions and responsibilities that are shared among all the members of the Leadership Team, including: monitoring local government decisions affecting the neighborhood, leading issue-focused Working Groups, facilitating neighborhood meetings, representing and advocating neighborhood interests with city officials, communicating information to members of the community, and helping to organize community events. Three At-Large Members will be elected for a term of two years, and one will be elected for a term of one year.

Who Can Serve on the Leadership Team?

Any member of the neighborhood association – defined as all residents, non-resident homeowners, or business owners within the Civano Neighbors boundaries – can serve on the Leadership Team. However, elected Leadership Team members may not also simultaneously serve on the Civano I Neighborhood I Homeowners Association (HOA) Board or Advisory Council. In addition to elected mem-

bers, the Leadership Team also includes the chairs of all neighborhood association Working Groups.

How Can I Nominate Someone for the Civano Neighbors Leadership Team?

Self-nominations or nominations of others may be made by either of the following methods:

- Submit nominations through the Civano Neighbors Suggestion Box on the neighborhood association web site at: <http://www.civanoneighbors.com/contact/suggest.htm>
- Contact: Mike Eng, Chair of the Elections Committee (michaeleng@cox.net, 731-9763); Stephanie Mitchell (stephcam@mindspring.com, 519-0299), or Rick Hanson (rickandlinda@cox.net, 546-2928).

How Can I Learn About the Nominees?

Statements from Leadership Team nominees will be printed in the November edition of the Town Crier and posted on the Civano Neighbors Discussion Forum website after nominations close on October 17, at www.civanoneighbors.com.

A “get acquainted” opportunity with the nominees for the Civano Neighbors Leadership Team to learn about how they would like to contribute to our community will take place at the November 6 Civano Neighbors Leadership Team meeting, 7:30 p.m.– 9:00 p.m. in the Activity Center.

An informal “candidates forum” will take place before the elections take place at the annual meeting of Civano Neighbors Neighborhood Association at 7:00 p.m., Thursday,

November 17, at the Civano Community School.

What is the Election Process?

Elections for positions on the Civano Neighbors Leadership Team will take place by paper ballot issued to neighborhood association members attending the annual meeting of the neighborhood association at 7:00 p.m., Thursday, November 17, at the Civano Community School. You must be present to vote.

NOTE: The City of Tucson recommends that all Neighborhood Association elections be conducted using paper ballots cast in-person only, by neighborhood members attending the annual meeting of the association. The city recommends against absentee ballots or proxy voting, emphasizing that Neighborhood Associations are about personal involvement and participation by members of the neighborhood in addressing community issues. The Civano Neighbors neighborhood association should not be confused with the Civano Neighborhood I Homeowner's Association (HOA). Civano Neighbors is a “public” entity representing our geographically defined neighborhood to the City of Tucson. Civano Neighborhood I HOA is a “private” entity, whose membership is based on lot ownership and payment of membership dues in a housing development governed by Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions (CC&Rs), which function as a legal easement on the uses of their property.

Questions?

If you have any questions about the nomination or election process, please contact Mike Eng (michaeleng@cox.net, 731-9763), Stephanie Mitchell (stephcam@mindspring.com, 519-0299), or Rick Hanson (rickandlinda@cox.net, 546-2928).

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Birthing Civano... The Design Charette



The most creative, exciting process in the evolution of any New Urbanist development is the design charrette (see "Did You Know") and that was doubly true for Civano.

Just two months after the land for Civano was purchased, in September 1996, a design charrette was held at the U of A Environmental Research Lab, that "other-world-looking" facility at the exit of Tucson International Airport.

Renowned town planner Andres Duany came from Miami with four designers, as did Stefanos Polyzoides from Los Angeles. It looked like the United Nations of design. I don't believe there were any two young, gifted designers, from the same country.

Wayne Moody was overall head of the design process, but co-developers David Case and David Butterfield, Case's partner Kevin Kelly, landscaper Les Shipley and several other stakeholders were active participants... perhaps too active depending on your point of view. It was a wild show for



Andres Duany and Stefanos Polyzoides

three long days and nights.

The disparate gang of design prodigies crowded into one small, hot room that was actually a green house for tropical plants. It became affectionately known as the "Banana Room."

Jan Moran and I were given the responsibility of handling all logistics, and we had just a few days to pull it off. Special printers were flown in from California, accommodations and catered meals were arranged, Civano "Pioneers" and City officials invited. We even

had to commandeer an espresso maker for Andres Duany. He was usually fueled by Cuban coffee, but had to settle for Tucson espresso.

The charrette itself was a carefully scheduled process of public meetings for Civano "Pioneers" and City officials, closed-door design sessions, then more meetings followed by increasingly intense design sessions.

Two separate site plans for Civano Neighborhood One were developed at the same time by two different design teams. Every few hours, the Civano developer group and almost anyone who happened along critiqued the two plans. The idea being that both site plans would continue to be developed until one plan became the clear preference. During the intense design periods, another group of designers worked on streetscapes and potential house designs (many of which are Civano standards today). The whole charrette was like an extended birthing process complete with pain, drama and no small amount of magic.

Butterfield had his mind set on a rigid grid pattern for the streets; Duany wanted natural street deflections (curves) and Moody wanted more attention paid to the topography of the site. At one point, he became so frustrated he jumped onto a table and screamed that the damn designs weren't honoring the natural drainage patterns of the land.

Like good midwives, we kept boiling water, bringing towels, encouraging the process, and pouring espresso. Tensions reached a boiling point when at about 9 p.m. on the final night, after three days and nights of laser-like focus, no acceptable design concept had emerged. What a night! Duany wanted to call it quits and finish the design when he returned to Miami, but Kevin Kelly would have none of it. He

told Duany to fire up the espresso machine, he was going to stay there until the design was finished. I think he said something about a gun, but I could be mistaken.

Duany asked to be given three undisturbed hours to improve the design, so Butterfield, Kelly and I went to an all night diner and hung out till about 1 a.m. Finally, at about 3 a.m., the Civano site plan, so familiar to us today, was blessed into existence by a tired but happy group huddled together in the Banana Room. Perhaps Civano 1 Neighborhood 1 was not yet birthed, but it was certainly conceived that weekend. Several of the designers worked all night to spruce up the site plan for Monday morning's scheduled presentation to Tucson city officials while everyone else headed home.

Duany, Polyzoides, and I walked back to our hotel and casually discussed the whole process like three physicians just getting off night shift in an Emergency Room. What I viewed as an extraordinary experience, they saw as just another day's work...the normal creative process of design charrette.

It was a cool, lovely morning. I felt honored to be there.

Did You know?

Charrette is French for *cart*. Wayne Moody explains that architectural students in the Ecole des Beaux Arts were required to prepare quick design sketch problems, which would be picked up by a horse-drawn cart at appointed times to be delivered to the school by deadline. Students, wanting to spend every possible minute on the designs, would accompany their drawings and complete them *en charrette* or "on the cart" while being delivered to the school. *Charrette* has become known as an intensive, focused and condensed design effort.

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Tucson Is A National Leader In Energy Savings, Pollution Reduction And Designing For The Future; Civano Leads The Way

By Resident Engineer Al Nichols (alnichols@aol.com)

Starting October 1, 2005, the revised Sustainable Energy Standard goes into effect. The new standard has been updated for the first time in a decade. Included in the revised standard is a specific solar requirement, "Our Only Renewable and Abundant Resource", that has been definitively defined.

Builders will no longer be trusted to "Do the Right Thing". Regardless of what name the builders/developers put to this project, it remains "Tucson's Solar Village". Pulte Homes meets the new standards and the TMC building should as well.

Hector Martinez, team leader of Tucson's Department of Urban Planning and Design, stated that the revised standards will apply to the Civano project without further discussion and the City is under pressure to consider the new updated requirements for all of its projects including low income housing.

Even bigger news comes from the overall energy standards for all commercial projects built in the City limits. Lighting which can be 50% to 40% of the total building energy used will be cut by 30% or more by the new standards.

This means that by utilizing the latest in lighting technologies, commercial building permitted after Oct. 1 will be at least 10% to 15% more energy efficient without any sacrifice in lighting level or quality. The net result is that more money stays in our local economy instead of going to pay out-of-state energy companies.

The City of Tucson is a known leader in the nation for its energy policies and Civano leads the way. Meanwhile:

For the month of September you may expect: Average Temperature - 80.4 F (26.9 C), Relative humidity 42%, Wind speed 8.7 mi/hr (3.9 m/s) and 0 Heating degree days with 257 Cooling degree days base 65 F (18.3 C).



Rick's Ramblings

A column by neighborhood association spokesperson Rick Hanson

I've been involved in one of my other volunteer activities for the past few days, placing newly arrived international students to the U of A with interested host families and individuals in Tucson and the surrounding area for a program my wife chairs called International Friends. The new students are a fascinating group.

When you welcome the world to your doorsteps, as the U of A does for these students, what do you expect? Students with a level of competency and intelligence who you'd expect will learn and receive a degree, yes. But as President Likins said in his opening remarks to the new international undergrads, the students bring their world and knowledge to the university and to the United States.

He believes that the United States needs that exposure, that influx of world ideas and creativity. The President went on to add that in almost every department at the U you will find international scholars teaching or researching. The internationalization of the world reaches deep into the heart of Arizona.

The students themselves are amazing. They come from all over the world. The ones I'm placing come from China, India, Taiwan, Malay-

sia, Korea, Japan, Thailand, Vietnam, Bangladesh and Nepal in Asia; Turkey, Romania, Bulgaria, France, Sweden, Germany, Italy, Switzerland and Spain in Europe; Australia; and from our hemisphere Mexico, Haiti, Canada, Peru and Colombia.

Their courses of study range from Aeronautical Engineering to Computer Science to Medical Pharmacology and from Landscape Architecture to Pre-Nursing to Teaching and Teacher Education. And they're a fun group, conversing easily among different nationalities and religions and cultures.

With the growth of an "American" culture overseas, these students come to the U of A with great English skills. Over 30 years ago, when Linda and I first started on this international adventure, this would not have been the case.

The students come acculturated to North American life for the most part, having been exposed to the United States through movies and television, not to mention the internet. These students almost always list e-mail as their preferred means of communication. Even five years ago that would have been the unusual way to communicate.

Translating this experience to Civano has been interesting. How do we "internationalize" the good work that was done to develop a community that lives lighter on the desert land? How do we share the fact that Civano works?

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How do we encourage other developers to plan not only for how much money they can get from a piece of land but how a living community with high energy standards, livable homes, community amenities and safe neighborhoods can be built? How can we encourage cities and towns, or our state and national governments, to adopt higher standards so the world will be a better place? Not easy but worth attempting.

How? Locally, I think we start with the State Trust Lands which will be sold around us for development and with the City of Tucson. There is no reason that I can see that Civano can't be replicated. But it takes vision and courage to go against the status quo. The HAMP was a visionary start but it needs more detail and changes in City policy to allow it to develop to its full potential.

On a broader basis, I think we encourage Fannie Mae to allow us to host the old Civano website with its wealth of information. I think we look for opportunities to invite writers, developers, architects, etc. to visit and learn from Civano. I also think we look to publications which might be interested in the Civano experience and try to get articles written and placed.

I invite any who are interested in discussing the above ideas to contact me at 546-2928 or e-mail me at rickandlinda@cox.net. And you can also reach me there if you would like to be a Friend to an international student as so many from Civano have already done. It's fun, it's easy and it changes lives.



Backyard Camping at Civano

—by Dirk Matthias, your neighbor

The National Wildlife Federation is involved in an effort to promote a childhood tradition that has, sadly, fallen out of practice in many parts of our country. They are sponsoring the first Great American Backyard Campout on August 20, of this year.

I know... "Now you tell us!" True, if you didn't get to participate in this one, you are now too late. However, there are still lots of great resources available for kids and parents who are interested in organizing their own backyard campout.

Alright, alright! You're asking, "Yeah, sure those sleepovers were fun, but what's the big deal?" "Put up the tent in the back yard, roll out the sleeping bags, and if the kids stay out all night, it's a miracle."

Well, like anything that parents organize with their kids, the end-experience is only a portion of the fun available to the family. There are lots of ways to maximize the opportunities for learning, while at the same time increasing the fun.

You're probably thinking, "Ohhh, how charmingly retro, and wholesome!"

Well, I'm here to tell you, "This is not all about the warm fuzzies." We've got something a bit bigger on our hands.

The NWF explains why they have chosen to promote the tradition of backyard camping. They are promoting this, in the face of some dismal statistics. Research shows that kids spend an average of 44 hours per week staring at TV, video games, and computers. Our country is facing, for the first time in its history, a generation that is growing up disconnected from nature. To steal a phrase from Richard Louv, author of *Last Child in the Woods*, a whole generation could be classified with "nature deficit disorder". There are also a lot of people around the country who are connecting all that time indoors with many children's compromised immune systems, increases in dependence on ADHD drugs, decreases in creativity, loss of self-sufficiency, and a general lack of interest in maintaining the wildlife legacy that

they have inherited.

Now, I know, from first hand experience that this is not the case in Civano. I have personally lain out in a back yard of this very neighborhood, with a bunch of suntanned kids, gazing at the stars, and listening to the coyotes. I have seen the kids in our neighborhood make contact with our beautiful natural surroundings...and I *know* that I am not the only one among my neighbors who shares that experience.

Nature is all around us. You don't need to go to Yosemite to experience the great outdoors. Just open your back door. Backyard camping is an opportunity to explore a whole new world right in the back yard.

The National Wildlife Federation has a great site with lots of very thoughtfully put together resources for interested backyard campers: <http://www.backyardcampout.org>. I would encourage you to visit, and the next time you have a chance...have a Backyard Campout.

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Rincon Community Hospital at Civano Design Process Begins

After numerous community meetings over the last several months developing Guiding Principles (see Town Center page on www.civanoneighbors.com) and other preliminary data, the Tucson Medical Center (TMC) has begun the long process of designing the proposed Rincon Community Hospital at Civano (RCHC).

The focus of the initial design meeting, attended by seventeen Civano residents on July 14, was on the hospital site as it relates to some of the new trends in hospital design and the LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) criteria. Martha Droge of the design firm Ayers Saint Gross (ASG) presented an initial site analysis and draft program that will begin to define the range of uses that might occur on site and reviewed the LEED system in detail.

The LEED Green Building Rating System® is a voluntary, consensus-based national standard for developing high-performance, sustainable buildings. Members of the U.S. Green Building Council representing all segments of the building industry developed LEED and continue to contribute to its evolution.

Since there is no LEED system developed specifically for hospitals, TMC has committed to following the existing LEED system as closely as possible.

The Civano community is invited to partici-

pate in the next site-planning workshop for the RCHC, 9:00a.m.-12:30p.m., 9/10/05, at the Activity Center. RCHC's programming study is not yet complete, but TMC knows the major elements that will be required on the site. This workshop will focus on the arrangement of buildings, outdoor spaces, circulation, parking, etc., on a very broad scale.

The workshop will not focus on the interior design or internal functions of RCHC buildings, nor will it focus on the TMC-owned parcel north of Drexel. Given the complexity of designing medical centers, we will not be working from a completely blank slate, meaning that TMC, Ayers/Saint/Gross, and HKS staff will arrive with several diagrammatic site plan options that realistically meet a medical center's needs.

TMC and its consultants look forward to collaborating with the Civano community to refine these conceptual schemes so that they fit in with the community as a whole and are in accordance with the Guiding Principles agreed upon in March 2005.

Since each design meeting builds on the preceding meeting, it is important to attend as many sessions as possible if you want to have a voice in the development of the hospital and the Town Center in general.

See you there.

Paul Rollins

Commercial Areas Working Group

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In My View

A Column by Judie Kelly,
Editor of The Town Crier

September makes you think of falling leaves drifting by your window, doesn't it? Unless you happen to live in southern Arizona, of course.

Folks in places many of us came from are getting ready to enjoy a short lovely autumn season, then hunker down for a long cold winter. Remember?

Or they may be plotting their escape from the nose mittens, icy roads, and snow blowing (used to be called shoveling, as I recall), but that was a long time ago.

And while tourist season is over after Labor Day in cooler climes, ours is just beginning. I'm not just talking here about the snowbirds who bring welcome money to town while clogging up our streets and restaurants. That's another column.

I'm reminding you of the friends and relations who are coming to stay. For a long time. With you. In your house. Get the picture? Think about it. I have.

Last year we had some visitors who came with large numbers of unruly children and stayed way too long. This will not happen again. Not on my watch..

Too many people in a home where only a few can be comfortable can put a strain on the hosts and the relationships these visits are meant to foster. Decomposed gravel in

the fountains and ceiling fans knocked akimbo do not make for happy hosting.

And the good news is that it doesn't have to happen to you. We have a number of guest accommodations right here in Civano to take the load off when marauding visitors descend.

I count four guest suites and a small hotel in the new roster of Civano businesses in this issue of the Town Crier. While I've been inside only three of the inns myself, I can declare those three to be lovely and comfortable.

Give yourselves a break when friends and relatives threaten to come and stay for a while. Make a reservation for them (or yourselves) at one of the fine guest accommodations here in Civano.

Enjoy your guests while saving your sanity and your relationships. In my view, it's the only way to go.

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Shutters and Shredders; An Unlikely Pairing

What do shutters and shredders have in common? Not much, it would seem, aside from the obvious alliteration.

But for Tucsonans Silke Mildenberger and Judie Kelly, they are essential tools in creating their artwork for a two-woman show from Oct. 19 to Nov. 29, 2005 at Ranch House Gallery in Pima County's Agua Caliente Park located on Roger Road east of Soldier Trail.

Photography, for Mildenberger, began as a fascination when she was a child in Switzerland, her native land, and has developed into a lifestyle here in the American Southwest. Her photographic style has evolved from shooting nature shots so up-close and personal that they become abstract - to her current obsession with capturing the special

grandeur of our Sonoran Desert along with the mountains and canyons of Arizona and surrounding states.

Her work can be seen at Desert Artisans Gallery and Old Town Artisans in Tucson, as well as on the web at www.silkemildenberger.com.

Kelly's transition to playing with paper after working with clay for many years was natural. She still gets to have her hands in the ooze while creating large and small sculptural pieces, much like those usually done in ceramics.

The lightness of paper comes as a welcome change, Kelly says, after having lugged heavy pottery up and down the stairs to her studio on its way to shops and shows. Many of her handmade paper wall pieces can be hung by a single straight pin tapped into a wall.

Kelly's work ranges from large wall hangings depicting turquoise "rocks" made from hand-made paper sheets molded into shape while damp, to plates and bowls made from shredded financial statements and checks, decorated with tissue papers used in packing glassware from the dollar store. The latter items are included in her "Financial Ruin" series.

Her work has been shown at Tubac Center of the Arts, Civano Rose Inn, La Mariposa, Ranch House Gallery, and The Inn at Civano. Kelly's "Financial Ruin" series can be seen throughout the month of September in the Atelier Members' Rotating Gallery at Tubac Center of the Arts.

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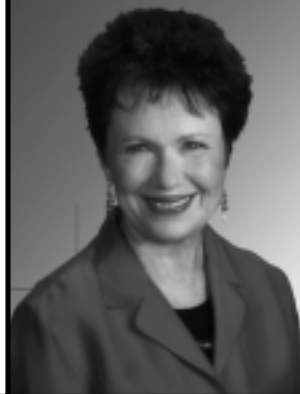
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Setting an ambitious but achievable goal is a key factor in establishing a commitment to yourself and building the motivation needed for training. There's a distance suitable for everyone: 33-miles, 67-miles, 80-miles, or perhaps even the whole enchilada, a 109-mile ride around the perimeter of Tucson.

There are even ¼-mile and 4-mile Kids Fun Rides. Kids are never too young to begin establishing habits for a lifelong active lifestyle. Hundreds of volunteers are also needed. Great community support has resulted in El Tour's reputation as one of the most well-organized and safest biking events of its kind in the country.

This year's twenty-third anniversary of El Tour promises to be the best ever. Over 6,000 riders are expected, including some of the fastest professional riders in the world to beginning riders of every age from Tucson and across the country. It's guaranteed you'll have a thrilling experience riding in El Tour.

If you need another reason to help you decide – it's all for a great cause – Tu Nidito, a local non-profit organization that provides support services to children and their families dealing with serious illness and death.

Plenty of assistance is available to help you train and prepare for El Tour. The best place to start for El Tour information is the website for Perimeter Bicycling (the ride organizer) at: www.perimeterbicycling.com. Phone (520) 745-2033; email info@perimeterbicycling.com.

Find out about El Tour Training Classes, El Tour Training Rides, El Tour Wellness Conference, cycling tips, route map, online registration, and El Tour information updates.

The Greater Arizona Bicycling Association (GABA) is also a great training resource. They lead weekend bike rides of different distances for riders of all abilities. To learn more see GABA's website at: www.bikegaba.org.

If you have any questions about riding El Tour, feel free to contact Mike or Monica Eng, michaeleng@cox.net, or 731-9763. Hope to see you out on the roads. We'll be on our tandem preparing for our fifth El Tour.

-Mike Eng

Singing A Song Of Transition

The Community of Civano has seen different iterations of appointed board members, but it's this final slate of three: Jason Smith, Vice President; Les Shipley, Treasurer and myself that will be introducing the newly elected board members to the "Civano in Transition".

We've had an opportunity to briefly look at the draft that the Transition Committee prepared and look forward to receiving the full report mid-September. The Committee members are quite happy with the results of their due diligence and the way their efforts were translated into report form.

The Nominating Committee was proactive in seeking a revision to the number of words that a candidate can include in an optional bio that was mentioned in the Special Meeting Notice – it's now 250 words or less. That's an increase of 150 words.

As a reminder, the ballots are being mailed the week of September 19. We have the opportunity to elect seven (7) board members. So, please review your ballots before mailing and count your selections to ensure that you've only voted for seven (7).

Ballot counting will be done by an independent accounting firm the evening of October 18. Come out, await the count with your neighbors at 7:00 in the Activity Center and greet your new representatives. Civano's first election – it will be an exciting evening.

Come one, come all neighbors. September 27 will be the appointed Board's last meeting.

-Thais Young, President
CINI HOA Board

Editor's Note: The Civano Neighbors Neighborhood Association (CNNA) is an organization separate from the Homeowners Association (HOA). CNNA Leadership Team candidates may be nominated at the September meeting and elections will be held in November. See the article by Mike Eng, on page 1.



**Be kind to your neighbors,
please pick up
after your pet.**

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Neighbors Supporting Neighbors

In the July issue of the Town Crier, there were four columns on four different subjects, by four different contributors. All four articles taken together present the history of Civano, the future of the Houghton Corridor (we're in it), the social dynamics of a Desert Village or New Urban Community and the system of management of the community.

Understanding the concepts and dynamics of a Desert Village or New Urban Community may require some investigation by our residents. There are two websites that I encourage folks to explore: www.tucsonaz.gov/planning/hamp and www.newurbanization.org.

A major element of these community types is "mixed-use" of homes and businesses. The purpose is to reduce the need to leave the community for goods and services. It probably costs 4 to 5 dollars in gasoline alone to drive to the area of Park Place Mall.

If these downtown trips could be reduced from 3 to 1 per week, that would save over 40 dollars per month per car. With businesses within walking, biking or a short driving distance, think of the savings in energy, time and inconvenience. There is the added advantage of knowing more of your neighbors.

There are probably more than 60 businesses in Civano now. Many of them are listed on the www.civaneighbors.com website, but many are not. Over the next month, there will be an effort to get all the homes and businesses listed on the website. We will also start a business owner's organization. Such a group will provide several benefits for both the residents and the business owners.

The support of the residents of Civano is important to the success of their entrepreneurial neighbors. We hope to have a directory for every home. The idea of "Neighbors Supporting Neighbors" can benefit everyone.

There are plans to develop a commercial center including the new TMC hospital at the southwest corner of Neighborhood One. This will provide more local sources of goods and services.

Please direct questions, comments or listings to Roger Waite at 546-1206 or email at robowaite@surpriseline.com.

-Roger Waite



This awesome photo of lightning over Civano was contributed by local Tom Chong.

Do you have an interesting picture of Civano that you would like to share? Email Judie Kelly at jkelly64@cox.net.

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Halloween Weekend A Real Treat For All Civanoans

This year, Halloween falls on a Monday, and there are also Saturday and Sunday events for spooking kids and adults alike:

Civano's Spooktacular Halloween Party

Saturday, October 29, 6 p.m. until ... Bring the whole family to Civano's not-quite-annual Halloween party hosted by Juliet, Ann-Elise, Billie, and Simmons Buntin at 10367 E. Sixto Molina Lane. This year's theme is "Haunted Magical Castle" (as in Harry Potter's Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry). There will be a baked potato bar, lots of seasonal yummys and beverages, games and music, and the famous Haunted Garage. For more information, contact Simmons at 722.5977 or sb@terrain.org

Civano Speakers Series: Civano Ghost Stories

Sunday, October 30, 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. Join author and Civano resident Pat Canady as she spins "Civano Ghost Stories" for kids of all ages at the Neighborhood Center activity center. Refreshments and, um, finger food will be served. For more information, visit www.CivanoNeighbors.com/speakers.

Trick or Treating in Civano

Monday, October 31, 4:30 p.m. until ... Remember that Monday is All Hallow's Eve, and there will be lots of Civano kids in costumes going door to door. If you don't want to give treats or to be tricked, please turn off your porch light. Otherwise, please make sure your porch light is on, and that you've got plenty of candy or other goodies on hand.

Civano Speakers Series Fall Lineup

Fall rounds out the first successful year of the Civano Speakers Series. If you'd like to present a session—lecture, slideshow, reading—please contact Simmons Buntin at 722.5977 or sb@terrain.org. For more information, visit www.CivanoNeighbors.com/speakers.

August 28

The Empire Ranch: A Historical Review

Phil Ogden, Civano resident and retired UA professor of rangeland management, reviews the history and preservation efforts of Empire Ranch.

September 25

The Sustainable Passive Solar Residence: A Year in Review

Rich Michal, Civano resident and architect/engineer, recaps the first year in his custom home, perhaps the most energy-efficient in the country. <http://www.sustainablecommunitybuilders.com/>



October 30

Civano Ghost Stories

Pat Canady, Civano resident and author, tells ghost stories of Civano and the Desert Southwest for kids of all ages.

November 27

Clinical Hypnotherapy: A Branch of the Complementary Healing Arts

Catherine France, Civano resident and clinical hypnotherapist, reviews clinical hypnotherapy as an alternative medicine method for holistic healing.



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WHAT'S HAPPENING AND WHERE

Civano Middle School Of Expeditionary Learning Needs Your Donations

Our new Middle School is off to a wonderful start. There are 28 students enrolled who are bursting with energy and ready to learn and experience new ideas.

The facility is temporarily located in Corona Del Tucson, a large adaptable space with changes being made weekly.

Please scour your garages and storage areas for any of these items:

- Refrigerator (large or small)
- Bean bag chairs/ large pillows/ footstools/ ottoman/bookcases
- Kitchen needs: blender/silverware/dishes/ can opener (other)
- TV / VCR /DVD
- Sports Equipment / gym mats/ balls
- Plywood pieces (large) / cork board and burlap or other fabric
- Area rugs
- Lamps
- Cash Donations are always welcome.

Please contact Harrison Sim (seventh grader in charge of donations) at 886-6409 or Sharlene (volunteer) 296-7060.

Big thanks to everyone who has already donated items.

Civano Cycling Club

We now have about 12 riders. The Club will have rides every Saturday and Sunday morning starting at 6 a.m.. We meet in front of the Activity Center on Civano Blvd. The ride routes and the length will be determined by the people who show up. You must wear a helmet and bring plenty of water. A cell phone would be a good idea.

If you have any ideas about rides call Mark Levine at 886-8825

If you are thinking about riding in the El Tour de Tucson on 19 November you must start training **NOW**.

El Tour is 111, 80, 67 or 33 miles. This ride is a lot of fun and you meet people from all over the U.S. and some from foreign countries. For more info call Mark Levine 886-8825.

Civano Book Club

Civano Book Club meets 7 p.m. at the Activ City Center on the second Monday of the month. Books for September, October and November respectively are: **The Color of Water** by James McBride, **Snow in August** by Pete Hamill and **His Excellency; George Washington** by Joseph J. Ellis. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Special Guest Speakers

Sean Sullivan, **Coalition For Sonoran Desert Protection**, will speak at the Neighbors Meeting on Sept. 22. Also speaking at this meeting is Diana Rhoades, **Sonoran Institute**, presenting state land trust information entitled, "Conserving Arizona's Future, Citizens' Initiative for State Trust Land Reform".

Newcomers Breakfasts Scheduled

These are informal "potluck" breakfasts on the third Saturday of the month. "Old" residents are asked to bring an item to share. "New" residents are our guests. Hosts prepare coffee, juice, service items, etc. as well as food.

These events are fun and open to all.

Please mark your calendars and join other Civano residents. This is a good way to meet people, ask questions and to welcome our newest families.

The Newcomers Working Group is sponsored jointly by Civano Neighbors Neighborhood Association and the Civano HOA. All items are donated.

Sept. 17, 8:30 – 11 a.m. Hosts: Mary Pagel and Maureen Smith, 10448 Seven Generations, **The Inn at Civano**.

Oct. 15, 8:30 – 11 a.m. Hosts: Jan Moran and Paul Rollins, 5265 Morning Sky

Nov. 19, 8:30 – 11 a.m. Hosts: Jean and Paul Coache, 10394 Seven Generations.

Thanks to all who have opened their homes and businesses to host a breakfast. This Civano "tradition" is one that many newcomers have found valuable and enjoyable. Call 296-7060 for additional information.

Inviting All Businesses, Artisans and Clubs

Our roster outlining the impressive variety of services and talents of Civano Residents changes each month. (See our ad in this issue.) We invite all groups and individuals to be included on this roster. The cost is small, \$10. per year (to cover copy and print costs).

We are proud that our community encourages home businesses and the special sense of community that comes from working together. Please call Sharlene, 296-7060, with questions.

Friends Of The Tucson-Pima Library

Please let us have your discarded books and journals. The Friends of the Library holds several huge book sales each year and also sells books individually (on-line). The proceeds from the sales benefit all the branch libraries. Call 296-7060 to have books picked up here in Civano or drop them at 10553 E. George Brookbank.

They particularly are looking for philosophy, medical books, poetry books, and fiction. They cannot use encyclopedias older than 1985. The Library thanks you.

To become a volunteer for the Friends, call the Book Barn at 795-3763.

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Meeting Our New Neighbors: Richard & Maureen Raynor



Richard and Maureen pose in front of their new home.

Richard Raynor grew up in the Fairfax neighborhood of Los Angeles, California. He graduated from UCLA where he majored in history and then received a law degree from the University of San Diego. After running his own criminal law practice for several years in Los Angeles, Richard is now working for the city of Tucson in the Public Defender's Office.

Maureen is from a small town in Southern New Jersey. She graduated from Rutgers University with a major in Political Science and Spanish and then moved to Los Angeles to attend UCLA where she received a master's degree in Political Science. Maureen worked in the field of marketing research for several years but for the last 2 years worked as an elementary school teacher in Los Angeles.

Richard and Maureen share an interest in organic gardening and vegetarian cooking.

They are now enjoying a harvest of tomatoes, cucumbers, squash, beans and herbs from their backyard kitchen garden. They look forward to harvesting their first crop of asparagus next spring.

The Raynors first learned about Civano through the Sunset magazine article that named it best new community in the West. They had been looking to purchase a house in Los Angeles but were discouraged by the skyrocketing housing prices, traffic gridlock, and the fast-paced lifestyle, so they decided to expand their search.

Although they had never envisioned themselves as desert dwellers, on a hunch they decided to come check out Civano and were immediately impressed by the beautiful landscaping and architecture, the focus on environmentally friendly design, the sense of community, the relaxed lifestyle and the affordability.

They are very happy with their new Pepper Viner home, which includes a casita to accommodate visits from out of town family and friends.

Richard and Maureen recently celebrated their third wedding anniversary and are thrilled to be expecting their first child in November. Mostly they look forward to making new friends, welcoming the new addition to their family, and enjoying the simple pleasures of life in their new community.

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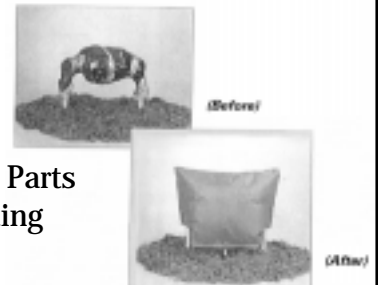
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