
President's Corner

Fall has arrived quite quickly and just in time to welcome so many of our friends and neighbors back to LáSolana.

Harry Graham and the CareScape crew have been busy on property. Our property usually only suffers minimal damage during the monsoon season. However, this year was an exception. We lost a few trees due to rain and wind and the incident made us become more aware of the condition of our remaining trees. Harry, Jan, Larry Mike and myself walked the property and identified several trees at risk of falling. We also have walked all of the property to identify bushes/shrubs that are either dead or cannot be saved by fertilizing, etc. Stayed tuned for more on all of these items in the near future. CareScape is scalping our turf in preparation for over seeding of Winter grass. They will also be installing 3 elm trees to fill voids left by falling trees.

Mike continues to work on painting the interior fountains and once they are completed, he will paint the remaining outdoor fountains. He has also installed the new pool signage in our pool area. Arizona Elevator will be replacing the last two of our elevators in building 5 before the end of this year.

We have just had our first Board Meeting of the Fall. The budget for 2019 was approved. Jack put in many hours of labor to prepare it. We did update our Reserve Study in July.

Please feel free to join us at the Chat with the Board on November 15th at 7 P.M. Chats are your venue to offer any comments of concern for the Board Members to consider. We will have our next Board Meeting on November 20th.

Welcome home and welcome Fall finally. It was a hot one this Summer.:)

Dave Kearney
President



Meet Your Neighbor

I met with Valerie Colvert and husband Ian Colvert recently in the living room of their condo here at LáSolana. Valerie was raised in a small rural town called Dowagiac, Michigan. Dancing arrived in her life at three years of age, and by 16 she was teaching others to dance. After high school, she attended Ball State in Muncie, Indiana, before moving to Chicago. As a professional dancer, she toured nationally and internationally between the ages of 22-30, including a work-study in London. Later she traveled to Ghana and volunteered at a NGO (non-governmental organization) educating about the prevention of HIV/Aids. After retirement, she earned a certification in Pilates and started teaching. These days she continues to train and educate in several different arenas. Read this and try not to get tired!:. She teaches Peer Physique Pilates in Surprise; coaches the Sun City Grandettes in tap and jazz techniques; instructs dance and ballet in Litchfield at Bravo Family Dance; and cross trains youngsters in ballet at Flame's Gymnastics. She's also preparing a performance for *The Snow Queen*, a production to be staged at the Herberger Theatre in mid-December. Whew! Here at home, you can participate in her LáSolana class, where she leads students in stretching and strengthening. That group is open she invites any of you to try the \$3/class sessions, held at 9:15 Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings in the Library.



Valerie and Ian Colvert

Ian Colvert was born and raised as a “free range” kid in Missoula, Montana. He attended Humboldt University in California and holds multiple degrees—an AA in Journalism, a BS in Computer Sciences and a masters’ level GIS certificate. He moved to Alaska and worked for the Forest Service as a Fishery Biology Technician and later for the Yakutat Tribe. In recent years, Ian was picked to work with NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration) as a hydrographer. For five years he commanded a navigation response team based in the United States Northwest, an occupation which kept him at sea for ten months of the year. In April 2017, NOAA cut the mission’s budget without warning; he and his crew were offered continued employment, but at half the original pay. Ian and most of the others left that world for other endeavors.

In 2016, Ian and Valerie renewed their earlier acquaintance while attending the wedding of a mutual friends. She was living in Chicago and he was based out of Seattle. Sparks flew and after a long-distance whirlwind romance, the two married and settles in the upper Northwest. After the abrupt NOAA departure, Ian and Val found themselves at a crossroads. They decided to break from “the old” by walking the El Camino de Santiago. (She had made the pilgrimage in her 20’s and found it to be a beautiful, worthy quest.) So starting in France, they spent the next six weeks hiking the trails and staying in hostels by night. They finished at Santiago de Compostela, in the northwest of Spain. Both of them agree that it was a magical, memorable time, a valuable way to decompress. Ian was able to let go of the NOAA disappointment and they both found inspiration in the beautiful cultures and extraordinary foods. They were deeply moved by the faithful on their walks and received much grace. Back in The States and restored by their walk experience, they were ready for their next adventure. Ian had earned his private pilot’s license years before, and he now turned his interest to the possibility of commercial flight. The Colverts traveled to Arizona to visit his parents and explore flight schools. They’d been here for just two weeks when they found and fell in love with LáSolana, buying their home in July of 2017. These days, Valerie continues with teaching her myriad of movement and Ian is finishing his training for commercial and dual engine ratings. He plans to teach others as soon as his schooling is complete.

Valerie and Ian are vibrant individuals. When you get the chance, introduce yourself to them. I think you’ll agree, they’re great additions to LáSolana!

Olivia Reynolds, #4202

Board's Eye View

To have YOUR question answered, please send an email to board@lasolanahoa.com, or drop it in our separate condo mailbox located just to the left inside the Mailroom (must be **signed**), or attend a seasonal monthly **Chat with the Board**. The LáSolana Board of Directors look forward to addressing your questions in the future newsletters.

Question: Who do I contact after hours and weekends about any problems on our property involving buildings, The pool, landscaping, water leaks, etc.?

Answer: Always call CITY PROPERTY @ 623-437-4777. They have a system in place to handle those situations.

Question: Can I have a party at the pool?

Answer: Absolutely! However, you must remember not to have any glass dishes or containers to avoid possible injury to someone and the possibility of us having to drain the pool. Also, please remember to clean up the area and grill if you do any cooking.

Question: What do I do if I see someone walking a dog/dogs and they are not holding on to the dog's leash?

Answer: Please stop by the office and report it to Cindy or Patti and they will address the situation. All dogs are to be on a leash that is held and no longer than 6 feet.

Question: What do I do if I get mail that doesn't belong to me?

Answer: Please take it to the Clubhouse office. **Do Not** put it back in the outgoing mail slot, unless you write "Not at this Address on it beforehand. Otherwise the mil person doesn't know if it was placed in there before it was it was in the wrong box or if the person no longer lives there.

Good Neighbor Tips and Reminders

Thank you all for observing and following rules that make our community as lovely and welcoming as it is, and a place we can all enjoy living in.

1. Speed limit on property is 15mph....
2. Pets on leash at all times ... pickup mandatory.
3. Trash can in mailroom ONLY for mail trash.
4. Boxes must be broken down for recycle bin and glass put in regular garbage bin.
5. Pool lounges are to be put back in place after use. We do NOT have a pool attendant.
6. Please clean the Bar-B-Que grill after use.
7. Watch the lines in the parking lot and be sure to use your space properly as a courtesy to your neighbors space...
8. Since many of us come from free standing homes and are now sharing walls with neighbors, please be considerate as to when to do laundry, house cleaning, showering, etc. Sound is magnified to others living around you. Your consideration goes a long way and is appreciated.
9. Be aware of the Courtyard Décor (D) in the Rules & Regulations to comply to the Architectural Committee's format for hallways and terraces.



Thank you all and here's to a healthy, happy season at LáSolana.

Caryl Moskowitz, Newsletter Editor



Many, many thanks to Deannie Price for her contribution to writing the "Meet Your Neighbor" page....so well done!! Welcome to Olivia Reynolds who willingly accepts this fun assignment that we all enjoy reading and doing so well on your first article.

Caryl Moskowitz
Newsletter Editor

Veterans Appreciation Social November 11th

Ames, Rexford, 1204, U.S. Army

Anderson, Russ, 2112, U.S. Navy

Blair, Kevin, 3309, U.S. Army

Brandom, Steve, 2307, U.S. Navy

Carlini, Angelo, 4107, U.S. Navy & U.S. Air Force

Ciavarella, Tom, 4207, U.S. Navy

DiGrazi, Frank, 1101, U. S. Air Force

Echols, Lucy, 6101, U.S. Army

Fossey, Ken, 4307 U.S. Air Force

Gerlat, Hal, 4103, Royal Canadian Air Force

Greene, Blaine, 5111, U.S. Navy

Greene, Ken, 5211, U.S. Marine Corps

Griffith, Shel, 5203, U.S. Army

Haas, Ricky, 6206, U.S. Army

Johnson, Roger, 6204, U.S. Air Force

Justice, Bob, 1105, U.S. Army

Kearney, Dave, 4203, U.S. Army

Lobitz, Bill, 2310, U.S. Air Force

Luecht, Jerry, 5207, U.S. Navy

Miller, Roger, 3307, U.S. Air Force

Mont, Robert, 2013, U.S. Marine Corps

Petrillo, Larry, 3306, U.S. Army

Pusater, Douglas, 5311, U.S. Navy

Sandwick, Eric, 3203, U.S. Navy

Sbrega, John, 2308, U.S. Air Force

Schaefer, Bob, 2212, U.S. Coast Guard

Schmidt, Jim , 1305, U.S. Marine Corps

Striver, Willard, 3101, U. S. Army Corps

Wild, Lawrence L., 7211, U.S. Army



**“Thank you for your service.
Your commitment to our great
country is appreciated by all
of us at LaSolana”**

Unit Lock Box

In the past year we have had more than one instance in which the Surprise Fire Department has had difficulty accessing a unit at LáSolana following a 911 call. In each case they have gained access only by searching for an open patio door or window using an extension ladder. This is time consuming process which delays emergency personnel from assisting the resident in distress. The Surprise Fire Department has recommended that residents purchase a “lock box” which is attached to the exterior of a unit beside the door. Owners place a key to their unit along with emergency contact information inside the box, and then it’s locked by the Fire Department. In the event of a 911 emergency, if the occupant is unable to come to the door, the Fire Department can easily gain access by using the key in the lock box. Otherwise they would have to break the door down to get in. The boxes are only accessible to the Fire Department when they respond to an emergency. There is a one time charge of \$65 to purchase box and have it installed by them. Copies of the form to obtain a lock box from the Surprise Fire Department are available in the Clubhouse.

Thank you!

Larry Truett

Board Member

Mike's Corner

The purpose of the utility carts in the buildings are for general use of our residents. If you are doing remodeling in your unit, please inform your workman that the carts are not to be used for work materials, such as cement bags, tile, trash etc. A \$500 fine can be assessed. Household garbage cannot be placed on carts. This is grossly unfair for residents who use the cart for their groceries and luggage.

Do not put any type of plastic bags in the recycle bins.

Please do not put glass in the recycle bins.

Do not leave anything in the aisles in the garbage area. This is a tripping and fire Hazard.



Pool Furniture

Did you know YOU are responsible for returning any pool furniture that you moved when you leave the pool? That straightening the pool furniture isn't in any of our staff's job description. We've been fortunate that one of our residents puts the pool area in order every day (Thank you, Rick Haas!) so please put back the lounge, chair or table that you use to it's proper position and lower the umbrella you raised so it doesn't get damaged if the wind picks up. Our new loungers have wheels—please use them instead of dragging them.



Renovation Policy for LáSolana Units

While each of us our own units, they are not free-standing homes. This policy complies the relevant points of the CC&R's that need to adhered to in order to protect the appearance of the community and

structural integrity of the buildings. Regardless of whether Board approval is required, the office must be notified in writing, email is acceptable of any planned renovation work.

Meeting Dates

November 15th	Chat with the Board	7:00 pm
November 20th	Board Meeting	10:00 am
January 10th	Chat with the Board	7:00 pm
January 15th	Architectural Meeting	9:30 am
January 15th	Board Meeting	10:00 am
February 14th	Chat with the Board	7:00 pm
February 19th	Architectural Meeting	9:30 am
February 13th	Annual Board Meeting	9:30 sign in 10:00 Meeting (Aqua Fria Room, Cimarron Center)
March 14th	Chat with the Board	7:00 pm
March 19th	Architectural Meeting	9:30 am
March 19th	Board Meeting	10:00 am
April 11th	Chat with the Board	7:00 pm
April 16th	Architectural Meeting	9:30 am
April 16th	Board Meeting	10:00 am

Grand Lifestyles

Regularly reading the Sun City Grand Lifestyles monthly magazine is a great way to keep up on SCG happenings. There are always copies available in our lobby and at SSG's Chaparral and Cimarron Centers.

Social Calendar

Nov 11	Veterans Day
Nov 20	Thanksgiving Celebration
Dec 12	Pool Party
Dec 24	Christmas Eve
Jan 9	Courtyard Party
Jan 23	Soup Supper
Feb 13	Valentine's Party
Feb 27	International Night
Mar 13	Mardi Gras Party
Mar 27	A Summer Picnic
April 17	Easter Celebration

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Happy Thanksgiving



Don't forget our Thanksgiving Dinner, November 20th. Watch for the sign-up sheet.

Please join us Christmas Eve as we enjoy Caroling by the Fireplace with our friends at LaSolana.

Registration of Pets

Name _____ Unit # _____

Number of pets living in your LáSolana condo:

Dogs ___ Cats ___ Other ___

Dog's Name _____

Breed _____ Color _____ Photo:(Optional)

***Licensed in Maricopa County: Yes ___ No ___**

(license Tags must be on Dog's collar) *11-1102; City Ordinance Sec.10.24*

***Where, if licensed other than Maricopa County: _____, if stay is less than 30 days**

Rabies Vaccination (dogs only) Expiry Date: ___ / ___ / ___

***Is your Dog a Service Animal as defined by the ADA: (Americans with Disabilities Act)**

Yes ___ No ___

(A binder with ADA reference materials will be kept in the LáSolana Clubhouse Office)

***I hereby agree to release LáSolana HOA, and it's governing bodies to be held harmless to the fullest extent of the law, from liability for the injury of any persons or other dogs and damage to property that may result from any act of omission of myself.**

As the resident of this condo unit I acknowledge I am in receipt of the (2017) Pet Policy as provided by the LáSolana HOA.

*Signature _____ Date ___ / ___ / ___

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