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Welcome Our New Neighbors

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AMENDED COVENANTS



URGENT - PLEASE VOTE

The proposed amended and restated covenants (CC&Rs) have been presented to the membership for approval. As of as September 1st, by a margin of eight to one, we stand at an approval of 42%.

However, more than half of our residents have not yet returned a ballot. In order to achieve the minimum 51% required for approval of the proposed covenants, it is **IMPERATIVE THAT MORE OWNERS CAST A VOTE**.

We have established a *cutoff date of September 30th* for the receipt of ballots. For those members who are unable to meet this “deadline”, there will be *one last chance* to have your ***vote notarized on Saturday morning, October 4th from 10:00 to 12:30 at 1425 E. Via Entrada.***

*This is an **important vote** in that the proposed changes transition our covenants from a developer’s document to a homeowner’s document to better serve the membership.*

If you have any questions regarding the changes to the covenants or need another ballot, please contact Jane Hoffmann at 323-9299 or secretary@cf7.org.

E-MAIL NEWSLETTER

This is the first newsletter that we have sent out by e-mail.

About 100 residents signed up for this service. The Board felt that this would save CFE7 money as the cost of postage and printing continues to increase.

We would like the residents who would be interested in receiving the “Footnotes” by e-mail to send the Board secretary an e-mail to secretary@cf7.org confirming their e-mail address(es).

E-MAIL ADDRESSES WILL NOT BE SHARED WITH ANY OTHER ORGANIZATION.

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Mission Statement

The Catalina Foothills Estates No. 7 Homeowners Association (HOA), a Board-managed HOA, shall promote maintaining area No. 7 in the spirit of the Protective Covenants. This shall be accomplished through various programs that help support our natural environment and a clean, crime-free area, while maintaining the aesthetic character of the neighborhood.

Board Goals

The goals of the HOA Board are serving our members by keeping them informed of the Protective Covenants, regulations, and membership activities; being a resource for information about our community, providing news and announcements of local events, and providing our members the opportunity to have an active role in our community.

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Open Board Meetings

The Board generally meets at 7 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month (2014 Jan. 8th, Feb. 5th, Mar. 5th, Apr. 2nd, May 7th, June 4th, July/Aug. *no meetings*, Sept. 3rd, Oct 1st, Nov.5th, Dec.3rd, 2015 Jan 7th)

Holidays and vacation schedules sometimes result in the re-scheduling or cancellation of a particular meeting, so please check with the secretary, 323-9299, to confirm a meeting date and time.

At the beginning of our meetings, we allow a ten minute period for "Resident Related Issues" – these must be scheduled with the secretary two weeks before the meeting.

Articles for the newsletter are welcomed and should be mailed to:
Catalina Foothills Estates #7 Association
P.O. Box 64173, Tucson, AZ, 85728-4173
or e-mailed to CFE7News@msn.com.

**Board Members and positions change February of each year.
Information can be verified on-line at www.CFE7.org.**

*Has your telephone number and/or e-mail address changed?
Please let us know by phone (323-9299) or e-mail
(Secretary@cfe7.org) to update your information.*



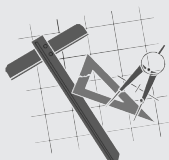
PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Greetings Neighbors,

If you've read my previous letters you may have concluded that I've learned to mark the passage of time with the writing of the President's letter for the Spring and Fall newsletters. Certainly this is an exaggeration but as in most exaggerations some truth exists. This time the newsletter marks more than the passing of a season for me; it marks the passing of my Board term. By the time the next newsletter arrives in your mailbox I will have completed my time with the Board of Directors, and so it seems apropos that my final letter be an appeal for volunteers to join the Board. Catalina Foothills Estates #7 has no management company, just a dedicated group of volunteers from its membership who do their best to uphold the protective covenants that preserve our unique and valued neighborhood and the lifestyle it affords.

Many of you are not strangers to volunteer-ism or charitable work and most of us understand its importance in the world, but we feel our available time is limited and we fear overcommitment. There are many excellent causes but this one is very close to home, literally. Take a moment to reflect on our neighborhood's many qualities and please consider sharing a small amount of your time, as a Board member, to safeguard and maintain those qualities that we've enjoyed for more than four decades. To volunteer please contact a member of the Nominating Committee (contact information available at <http://cfe7.org/board.html>) or call or e-mail Secretary to the Board Jane Hoffmann at 323-9299 (secretary@cfe7.org).

Jeff Mundt, President



Architectural Committee

All residents must obtain approval from the Architectural Committee prior to any construction, modifications, or building alterations.

This includes Solar and Water Harvesting Installations.

It is suggested that residents not make any down payments with contractors until the project is approved.

Forms and/or any information can be obtained from the Architectural Committee or Office Secretary or our web site (www.CFE7.org).

The committee works diligently to review your request and enable you to complete your work project in a reasonable, timely fashion.

White Roofs, Global Warming, and Unintended Consequences

This paper was published in Environmental Research Letters. To read the article in its entirety go to the Arizona Daily Independent, 17 July 2014.

"Urbanization, with its tendency to cover natural surface with various artificial surfaces such as asphalt, concrete, and buildings, which reduce natural evapotranspiration causes a reduction in rainfall. Their maximum urbanization scenario leads to a 12% reduction in rainfall. Painting roofs white leads to an additional 4% reduction in rainfall. That's not something desirable in an arid climate.

A major national manufacturer of membrane roofing systems stated that while white roofs may keep a building cooler, they nonetheless have some detrimental unintended consequences when used in cool climates.

White roofs may keep the roof surface and the building cooler, but, the heat has to go somewhere. Heat reflected from white roofs can cause the ambient air temperature above the roof to be hotter than it ordinarily would. That can affect the performance of air conditioning units in two ways. First, the higher temperature of the ambient air causes the A/C unit to work harder, using more energy. Second, the electrical conduits that feed A/C units become less efficient when temperature rises.

A white roof will reflect heat. If the building with a white roof is surrounded by taller buildings, that reflected heat impinges on neighboring buildings causing them to expend extra energy to keep cool.

White roofs may keep a building cooler (depending on the insulation), but, if you are in a northern climate that requires heating in winter, the heating bills will be higher. Because a white roof itself is cooler than a dark roof, the white-roofed building is more prone to condensation build up inside the roof on cooler days.

White roofs have to be cleaned to maintain their cooling effect, if the roof is not cleaned it loses the anticipated benefits.

The paper concluded that white roofs may have a small impact on the urban heat island effect, but the impact is too small to affect global warming. The point of the story is that rather than blindly following a politically-correct, one-size-fits-all eco-fad, do your homework to choose a system that is most efficient and cost-effective for your particular application. Also, realize that white is not necessary green."

Pine Engraver Beetle Invasion

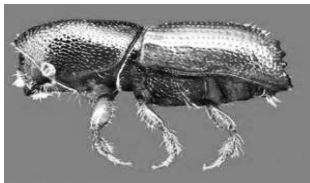
This article was received from the Arizona State Forestry Division and is something that everyone needs to be alert to.

"The six-spined engraver beetles, *Ips calligraphus*, were recently detected killing scattered Aleppo and Eldarica pines in Tucson. This is the first time these bark beetles have been found in non-native pines in the Sonoran Desert.

They are normally found at higher elevations infesting mainly ponderosa pines, stressed by drought, felled by the wind or cut for firewood. Infested green ponderosa pine firewood brought down to the community from sites on the Catalina Mountains, may be the reason why they are now found in the neighborhood. Once firewood dries out and is no longer suitable for the beetles, they exit and fly to other susceptible wood or pine trees.

It is very important that homeowners check all their pines for symptoms of the bark beetle now. Fading pine needles and red sawdust scattered on the truck are diagnostic. Removal of a small piece of bark on the infested part of the trunk will reveal the presence of the beetles, and their characteristic engravings. They prefer to infest the thicker barked and deeply fissured main trunk but may enter larger branches further up the tree.

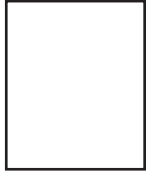
The bark beetle is the largest member in this genus found in Arizona, and is about a quarter of an inch in length. It is the only species with six spines on the back edge of each wing cover. They have the ability to produce multiple generations and infest several trees. They may also be breeding year round at this lower elevation.



Infested trees should be removed as soon as possible, and the wood properly disposed of at a landfill. The bark beetles will not infest all of the pines in an area, but will likely target pines stressed by drought and trees damaged by new home construction.

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Slow Down for Gila Monsters

By Megan Wood



Why did the Gila Monster cross Via Entrada? To get to the other side of the road. Let's give them a break by slowing down or stopping our vehicles to allow them time to safely cross into the desert. As a protected lizard it is illegal to handle, collect or kill a Gila Monster.

The opportunity of living in our beautiful neighborhood comes with the responsibility of cohabitating with our many amphibian and reptilian neighbors. The Gila Monster is one of the most misunderstood of our creepy crawly native lizard neighbors. They are vibrantly colored slow movers and defensive only when frightened or harassed. Although venomous, the Gila Monster's bite is rarely, if ever, fatal to humans who receive appropriate medical care.

Let's remember that the intriguing amphibians and reptiles of the Sonoran Desert, along with their fragile habitats, are our neighbors. Wild landscapes, complete with Gila Monsters, are a significant draw to our unique area. With responsible preservation we can ensure that future generations of CFE7 residents and visitors are able to enjoy the Gila Monsters that are an invaluable part of our natural heritage.

Turns out they're not really monsters after all!

Don't Forget

***Mail in your Notorized Ballot NOW
or Vote on Saturday, Oct 4th at 1425 E Via Entrada
from 10am to 12:30pm***

ANNUAL CFE 7 MEETING

10 FEBRUARY 2015

6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

TUESDAY EVENING

Mark your calendar now

East Murphey Gallery
St. Philip's in the Hills Church