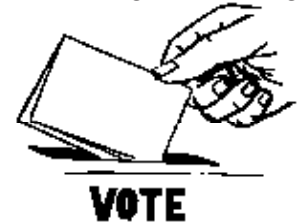


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## NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING - 2017

The annual meeting of the Asociacion de Regularizacion de Vecinos de la Cholla (Cholla Bay Homeowners Association) will be held at the Cholla Bay Community Center on **Saturday, April 22, 2017**. The doors will open at 8:00AM to allow members to sign in and receive their ballots. Please come early so the meeting can start promptly at 9:00AM. Voting is on a one vote per membership basis. In order to receive a ballot, the voter's name **MUST** be a member in good standing on the membership records of the *Vecinos* and you must know your Manzana and Lote number. If you cannot be in Cholla Bay for the general meeting, we encourage you to let your voice be heard through a proxy. Each voting *Vecino* is permitted only one proxy vote per paid membership. The Power of Attorney (Proxy) form, to permit someone to vote at the *Vecinos* meeting in your place, must be **notarized**. The proxy form with a ballot is included in this newsletter. If you do not have someone to vote your proxy, you may mail it to our PO Box 620, Lukeville AZ 85341. **If you do NOT designate someone to vote your proxy, please see section B part 3 of the voting procedures on page six (6) of this newsletter.**



The general assembly will be asked to elect the treasurer and one Board member (3 year terms). The assembly will be asked to approve the minutes of the April 2016 general meeting, the prior year's financial reports, an operating budget for 2017-2018 with supporting annual dues and to take action with respect to the admission, exclusion, revocation or suspension of members. The members may also be asked to vote on other matters properly coming before the assembly. The election committee, chaired by Vecinos Secretary, Kathy Barnard, has accepted statements from the following candidates for the positions up for election at the annual general meeting. Per Vecinos Board action, each candidate was allowed to submit an **unedited** statement of up to 300 words for publication in this newsletter.

### TREASURER 3 year Term

#### Helen Dahlstrom (Incumbent)

As some of you know, I have been your HOA Treasurer for 12 years and I want to thank everyone for their support over the years. I enjoy the contribution that I make to our community. I take this position very seriously and I understand the responsibility in serving as your Treasurer. I have over 30+ years of experience in the accounting industry and I am passionate about what happens in our community, because it is just a great place to reside. I am the Controller for L & L Manufactured Components, Inc., a roof and floor truss

manufacturer and Lauderbach Builders Supply Inc., a trim carpentry subcontractor in Tucson, AZ for 17 years. Also, as the Committee Chairperson for Membership and our Community Clubhouse. I would still like to see more community involvement in our meetings. I think that some issues can be resolved with brainstorming. Believe me that like "Life" is you can't make everyone happy all the time, but by taking an active role in our Community it allows me to speak on your behalf. I invite everyone to attend as many meetings as you possibly can. Meet some of your fellow neighbors! I would love to continue as your Treasurer and am once again asking for your support. With the over 30 years' experience I have and the willingness to contribute my time and efforts, I believe I would be the best candidate for Treasurer. I look forward to your vote!

# BOARD MEMBER

3 year Term

## Darrell Smith, P.E. (Incumbent)

I have over 30 years of civil engineering experience. The majority of my professional experience is in all aspects of private land development with an emphasis in entitlements in conjunction with planning and design of infrastructure for residential and master planned communities. Specific land development projects have involved master planning, grading, drainage and flood control, water, wastewater, and roadway infrastructure. My expertise includes the planning and design concepts for grading and drainage within hillside areas, development of water and wastewater master plans and master drainage analysis, along with client, consultant and agency coordination. I started coming to Rocky Point in 1980's spending time at friend's homes or rentals in Los Conchas. Then enjoying time with the family RV camping at Playa Bonita on Sandy Beach from the 1990's until purchasing a home in Cholla Bay in 2007. My experiences and previous 3 year term on the Vecinos board shall continue to bring a varied perspective to the Board and ask for your support in the upcoming election.

Personal – Married to Christine. Three sons - Bryan, Trevor and Michael

Education - High School - Sun Prairie, Wisconsin

College - Arizona State University B.S. – Civil Engineering

Occupation - Professional Civil Engineer – Client and Project Manager

## Earth Day Cleanup Planned in Cholla

*Submitted by Cholla Charli*

A Cholla Bay Clean-up Day will be conducted on Earth Day, April 22, by the Keep Cholla Beautiful Committee, and volunteers are invited to help. The trash trek will begin at noon at the Homeowners Association Community Center, also known as the Old Boys Social Club, and last for one hour. Just show up at the clubhouse, across from Firecracker Park a little before noon. It will be followed by refreshments and each participant will receive a thank-you gift from the Association. Volunteers can choose to clean the busiest streets or the area by their own homes in LaCholla, or they can do a shoreline clean-up. Attention is particularly needed in the estuary area at the south end of Cholla Bay where no trash service is provided. The committee conducted a similar clean-up day on Oct. 22 last year in conjunction with the Puerto Peñasco Beach Clean-up Day. That day, three dozen workers collected more than 90 bags of trash and a pickup bed full of large discarded items such as furniture, tires and car parts. Bags will be provided and prizes will be awarded for the most trash collected by a team, by an individual, and for the most unusual find. The winning team for the October event included Monica Gorman, Jeff Eckblad and Barbara Baird. The individual collecting the most trash was Kathy Van Holton and the trophy for the most unusual find – a thoroughly sea-encrusted rod and reel with a trigger fish attached – went to the team of Oliver Maud. Following the Saturday event, workers from Oomislim brought out a trailer and transported the trash to the city dump. The April 22 event is also an opportunity for Cholla homeowners to have large items hauled away. Just bring them to the clubhouse parking lot before 1 p.m. For more information, e-mail the committee chair at [charlotte@keller.net](mailto:charlotte@keller.net) or call 638-382-5512 (from Cholla) or 928-230-5844 (from the US).



# Mexico's New 911 System

In November 2014, the new 911 service was announced by Mexican President Pena Nieto. Since January 1 of this year, you can access ALL emergency services in Mexico by dialing the familiar "911". As in the US, it is available 24/7, 365 days a year. This service replaces the old 000 codes for each type of emergency. It is claimed this newly activated service will be more



trustworthy, reliable and faster than the old system. Integrated control centers are in place to

automatically geo-reference and route the call to the closest call center. 911 services can be reached for free on either cell phones and land lines. The Mexican 911 will contain hyphens, 9-1-1, to separate new their system from the American emergency system.

## Proposed Operating Budget 2017 - 2018

√Maintain dues at \$150

### Projected Income

- Dues (600 members @ \$150 per year) \$ 90,000.00
- Projected Interest Income \$ 300.00

**Total Projected Income:** \$ 90,300.00

### Projected Expenses

- Administrative Expenses \$ 14,000.00
- Beaches/PortaJohns \$ 7,500.00
- Club House Expense \$ 11,000.00
- Legal/translation Expense \$ 300.00
- Parks & Recreation \$ 5,500.00
- Road Expense - Interior Main Roads \$ 42,000.00
- Road Expense - Speed Bumps \$ 1,000.00
- Road Expenses - Exterior Roads (35%) \$ 7,000.00
- Road Expense - Street Signage \$ 2,000.00

**Total Projected Expenses:** \$ 90,300.00

## Financial Activity

from March 1, 2016 to February 28, 2017

<b>Beginning Cash Balance</b> - March 1, 2016	\$ 320,662.60
Membership Dues	113,931.00
Interest Income	<u>294.09</u>
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$ 434,887.69</b>

### Expenses - March 1, 2016 to February 28, 2017

Administration	\$16,056.89
Beaches & Porta Johns	4,200.27
Club House Expense	1,044.06
Garbage Expense	93.00
Parks & Recreation	2,955.68
Police Service	1,130.26
Road Maintenance	<u>52,450.00</u>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$ 77,930.16</b>

Accounts Receivable	\$400.00
Clubhouse Improvement	(9,835.43)
Clubhouse Rental Deposits	450.00
Prepaid Clubhouse Rent	(300.00)
Prepaid Utility	2,186.74
Utility Reserve	(376.46)
Prepaid Dues	<u>1,085.00</u>
<b>Ending Cash Balance</b> - February 28, 2017	<b>\$ 350,567.38</b>

**CAUTION**  
**SPEED**  
**BUMPS**  
**AHEAD**

In response to concerns of Vecinos living on Calle F (the Main Drag), a new speed bump has been placed near the Cholla Mini Mart. The speed bump has been painted twice, but due to all of the blowing sand and traffic, the paint quickly has worn off. There will be warning signs placed at the new speed control bump in both directions, but painting the bump is basically useless. Existing speed bumps are periodically maintained to insure their effectiveness. To request a speed bump in your neighborhood, the Board asks that all neighbors near a proposed speed bump sign a petition supporting its construction. At that point Kelly Ross, Vecinos Vice President and Roads Czar, will determine whether the speed bump will be added to our speed control arsenal.



By request of several Vecinos, Firecracker Park now has a Pickelball court. The current court is being shared with the basketball hoopsters. Thanks to Darrell Smith, Vecinos board member, we are planning a brand new dedicated court for our Pickelball players. Watching Pickelball players of all ages has inspired the question: *What game are they playing?* Pickelball was invented in the

mid-1960's on an island near Seattle. Three dads with kids, bored by their usual Summer activities, on their hands are credited to have invented the game. Pickelball has evolved from these Dads' homemade equipment into an international sport with commercially made equipment. Obviously, there are no kosher dills involved in the playing of the game, so why call it Pickelball? Well, one of the inventor dads owned a Cocker Spaniel named Pickles. Pickles enjoyed chasing stray balls as much as the kids enjoyed playing the game! As the game gained more players, an official name was needed, so Pickelball it was. A Pickelball court is the same size as a doubles badminton court and measures 20 x 44 feet. The court is striped similar to a tennis court with left and right service courts. The net is roughly 36 inches high. A Pickelball paddle is smaller than a tennis racket, but larger than a ping-pong paddle. The ball is similar to a whiffle ball, with holes drilled in it. The balls are available in different colors, but should be entirely one color. Our new court, as well as the existing court, are regulation size, but players will need to provide all of their equipment, including the nets. Freestanding nets are readily available in web-based and sports equipment stores. Our Cholla Pickelballers prefer those over the fixed poles that can become dangerous. The rules of the game are carefully explained at [www.Pickelball.com](http://www.Pickelball.com). Come to the park some afternoon to watch or join right in. They are always looking for new recruits.

## Our Own Cholla Library

Many residents of Cholla know about and use the Cholla Library, located on the west side of the Cholla Community Center. But how many know how the Library came to be the wonderful resource it is today? A few years ago the Cholla Library was an idea, a storage room, and boxes and bags of unsorted books. Barbara and Bob Dammann spearheaded a project to organize it into a real library. They, assisted by a number of other Cholla residents, spent many hours sorting materials into categories and weeding out the damaged, dirty, unusable books, DVDs, video tapes and audio books. Bob built and painted bookshelves, which now give a bright, cheerful look to the library. Pete Peterson put in fans and lights. Many people in the community contributed time and materials to turn the dark, dirty storage room into an inviting place to find books and other materials, to sit and read, or to use the internet. My apologies go to those who helped who aren't named, as I don't have all the names. But your work is appreciated by all who use the library. However, that is not the end. The Cholla Library requires continuous upkeep and restocking. Barb and Bob put in an incredible amount of work weeding out old books, DVDs etc. They spend time reshelving books that have been returned and sorting and shelving those that are donated. They go far beyond that, too. Barb has a used book dealer she takes unneeded books to in exchange for other books and funds needed for library upkeep. Her dealer helps her identify valuable first editions that she sells for additional funds. She has a separate arrangement with someone who helps with the media that is in the library. She has even had garage sales to sell books to provide library funds! It is an incredible amount of work beyond the day to day work in the library itself. If you haven't been to the library, you should go see it. For those who use and love it, let Barb and Bob know how much you appreciate their work. The HOA provides keys to the library to Cholla residents. Barb can give you one. There is a sign on the library that will tell you how to contact her. She also may be reached by email at: [ChollaSandBox@yahoo.com](mailto:ChollaSandBox@yahoo.com). Much thanks to the Dammanns for all their hard work.



**YOUR  
REPRESENTATIVES!**

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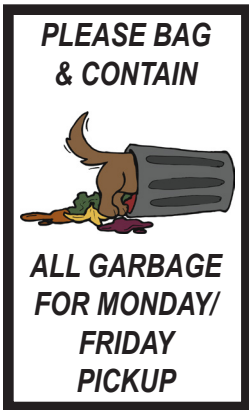
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## VOTING REQUIREMENTS:

A. Eligibility to vote at the General Assembly shall be subject to the following requirements, all of which must be met:

1. Membership dues must be current.
2. All fees, federal, state and local taxes, shall be current not less than 30-days prior to the Annual Membership Meeting (General Assembly). *Please bring a receipt if taxes were paid in March or April.*
3. The member must hold title as defined in the Constitution to his property on the date of the Annual Meeting.

B. A member shall have one vote for each paid membership.

C. Joint and/or multiple owners of property in La Cholla shall have one vote per membership.

## VOTING:

A. Voting in Person:

Any eligible member in attendance at the Annual Meeting when called to order shall qualify to cast their vote(s) within one half-hour following the *adjournment* of the Annual Meeting. Adjournment occurs BEFORE the question, answer and community input.

B. Voting by proxy:

Voting by proxy is permitted subject to the following requirements and conditions:

1. Each member may vote only one proxy per paid membership. Any member violating this procedure will have that member's ballot and all proxy ballots voted by that member voided and disallowed.
2. Proxies with a ballot on the back will be mailed to each member eligible to vote at the annual meeting.
3. Each proxy shall be notarized in the United States and shall designate the name, manzana and lot number of the member designated to vote the proxy. In the event no member designation is made, then the proxy owner shall be deemed to have appointed and authorized the Nominating Committee or its delegated representatives, to distribute the proxy to any member not holding a proxy. Proxies will be distributed according to the stamped date received. Notarized proxies will be checked for eligibility prior to the Annual Meeting and according to the date received. *Proxies may be given in person to Vecinos membership coordinator, Monica Koerner. These proxies DO NOT need to be notarized and will be also stamped according to the date received.*

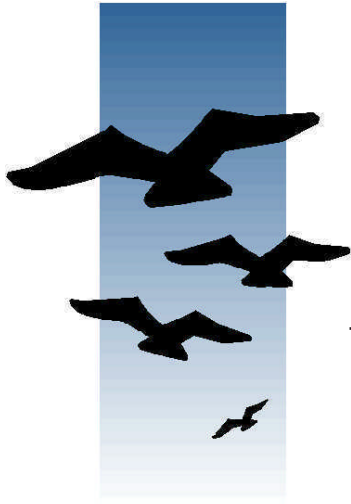
C. The Election Committee and other members, as may be appointed by the Board of Directors, shall administer the collection and counting of the ballots. Members are encouraged to wait for the adjournment of the Annual Meeting to turn in ballots, other than proxies.

D. All matters to be voted on, including the election of officers and directors shall be by majority vote.

E. Voting on any matter shall be in accordance with the requirements and required percentages as set forth in the Constitution.

F. Voting results shall be formally announced in the next HOA newsletter.





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OFFICIAL BALLOT  
2017

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TREASURER

3 year term • vote for one

Helen Dahlstrom (I)

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1 - 3 year term

Darrell Smith (I)

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Approval of 2017 - 2018 operating budget  
as published in the March 2017 Newsletter  
Maintains annual dues at \$150

YES

NO