

# MONTEREY

moments  
January 2019



*Snow in Scottsdale, 1/1/2019*  
Jack Joseph



## Nominating Ballot, Board of Directors Election, 2019

Terms will be expiring for 4 directors. The Nominating Ballot, including instructions for nominating candidates & returning ballots, is attached.

Due to the Nominating Committee by February 9, 2019.

## Annual Homeowners Meeting March 9, 2019

### Transfer of Title Fee

As of January 1, 2019, the transfer fee when selling your property was raised to \$400. Our fees remain among the lowest of all Villa Monterey HOAs. Please see the Shareholder and Buyers information page on the website for more information on what to do when selling your property.

<http://www.montereyparkassociation.com/Buyer-Information.html>

## HOA Monthly Board Meeting February 4, 9 am

Click this link for Board Meeting minutes:  
[montereyparkassociation.com](http://montereyparkassociation.com)

## Real Estate Report . . .



As of January 4, 2019

In all of Villa Monterey:  
26 homes on the market: \$219,000 to \$525,000 (7711 HIGHLAND)

- 2 under contract
- 4 Pending
- 20 available
- 8 Homes sold in December from \$285,000 to \$355,00

In Villa Monterey 5/5a: 2 for sale by owner, 1 by agent (not MLS listed yet)

Activity is very slow right now, people may be holding off purchasing a home due to higher interest rates, stock market, 401's have taken a hit.....? It's not just Villa Monterey, it's the market....title companies are seeing layoffs due to numbers down.

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## HOA BOARD

Craig Sjodin, *president*  
Randy Brenckman, *vice-president*  
Don Couture, *secretary*  
Sandy Mucci, *treasurer*  
Sandra Barnes, *board member*  
Bob Grandestaff, *board member*  
Beverly Tyson, *board member*

## COMMITTEES

*Coffees* - Madeline Krska  
*Compliance* – Bob Grandestaff  
*Landscape Planning* –  
Randy Brenckman  
*Library* – Ann Lane  
*Newsletter* –  
Patti Frinzi and Mike Sikes  
*Park & Ramada Maintenance* –  
Randy Brenckman

*Pool & Spa* - Bill Mucci  
*Potluck/Happy Hour* -  
Sandra Barnes  
*Ramada* - Gayle Sjodin  
*Real Estate* - Joan Hunsinger  
*Social* - Sandra Barnes  
*Street Lighting* - Craig Sjodin  
*Web Page & Directory* -  
Sue Carey

**Brush and Bulk Collection: week of January 14 & February 11**  
<http://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/solid-waste/brush-bulk-collection>



Hosts are needed for the Coffees, held the first Saturday of the month, and the Potluck Happy Hours, held the second Friday of the month. Please sign up on the sheet in the Ramada near the library.

Project manager needed for pool deck resurfacing.  
 Questions? Contact,  
 Madeline Krska, coffee chair or  
 San Barnes, Potluck/Happy Hour chair.  
 Randy Brenckman, Ramada Maintenance

**An Issue Right at Your Front Door**



What is the future of Villa Monterey, particularly its front patios? Will you be allowed to landscape with a paved patio or a pony wall? These questions came before the December 6 meeting of the Scottsdale

Historic Preservation Commission. The City of Scottsdale Historic Preservation Office, despite the approval by the applicants HOA, denied applications of two homeowners. However, the Commissioners unanimously overruled the recommendations of the Office and approved both proposals.

Both of the applicants live in Villa Monterey 4; nonetheless, the results are still important to us of 5/5a. The Historic Preservation Office seems convinced that paved front patios and walls should be prohibited (even though the plan for VM is still being drafted). At the December meeting, several VM 5/5A residents--Ray Connor, Elton Humphries, Eric Malm, and Craig Sjodin--spoke thoughtfully and eloquently to the documented values of such features, including increased aesthetic and home values, greater sense of community and a nod to the iconic front porches of an earlier time. Commission members, including VM 5/5A resident Regina Buzzello, underscored these points.

This week a planned meeting between Craig Sjodin and Steve Venker of the Scottsdale Historic Preservation Office was delayed, but according to Craig, the plan being developed by the Office for VM is "ready to roll out." Venker will be meeting with presidents of VM HOAs in coming weeks (dates TBA) to discuss the plan, and it is promised to be ready for the VM 5/5A annual meeting on March 9. We urge all residents to pay close attention to this issue in the coming year, because it could have a long-term impact on our community. We will continue to provide timely information on the next developments.

Click these links:  
 Historic Preservation Plan:  
[https://eservices.scottsdaleaz.gov/planning/projectssummary/unrelated\\_documents/Villa\\_Monterey.pdf](https://eservices.scottsdaleaz.gov/planning/projectssummary/unrelated_documents/Villa_Monterey.pdf)

To make comments:  
<https://eservices.scottsdaleaz.gov/bldgresources/Contact/?id=47994&mode=planning>



**Community Coffee**  
 Saturday, February 2, 9:30 am



**Happy Hour PotLuck**  
 Friday, February 8, 5:30



**Water Aerobics**  
 Monday, Wednesday & Saturday  
 11 am at the pool  
 Bev Tyson



**Wednesdays**  
 1 pm, call for location  
 bring a lunch snack  
 Bev Tyson



**Tuesdays & Fridays**  
 Unit 4 Ramada (air conditioned)  
 1:30 pm  
 Sandy Mucci

## Lessons from the Water Campus

Did you know these interesting facts about Scottsdale’s water?

- Our city’s water treatment system is the largest and most sophisticated in the nation, one of the most advanced in the world, and a model in the often parched Southwest.
- Using state-of-the-art systems of reverse osmosis and ultra filtration, it recycles 70 million gallons a day.
- Scottsdale’s 23 golf courses are both a partner with the City and a vital link in our water cycle, using ultra treated wastewater that is essentially potable (laws prohibit using the treated water for drinking) and replenishing the aquifer through their sprinkling systems. The golf courses paid for the infrastructure through which the City’s “Water Campus” processes 20 million gallons of water a day in the hottest and driest days of July.

We learned all this and more in an October tour on the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Water Campus, a sprawling secure facility Northeast of town, virtually in the shadow of McDowell Mountain. No, this is not a water ballet school, but a state-of-the-art facility with two sections. One treats drinking water and one wastewater, helping to ensure that every drop we use, we do our best to reuse. In the desert, that is an important goal.



*rows of various sizes of filters at the Water Campus*



*a stack of large capacity water filters*

Our visit included several introductory talks and slide shows, a tour of the massive wastewater treatment side of the facility that incorporates ultra filtration and reverse osmosis, and a close-up look at the laboratories where six scientists and over two dozen other professionals closely monitor the water quality on a continuous basis. The Water Campus goes beyond meeting its mandate, volunteering to test the water of all local schools. Notably, our wastewater here in VM does not get processed at the Water Campus but goes to Phoenix.

Want more info? The Campus will be holding a 5-week Water Academy in March 2019 and offers tours throughout the year. For details, call Scottsdale Water at 480-312-5650. In addition, the

Website is a good source of information:

<https://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/water/recycled-water#>.

Next month watch for an article about our research for our in-home water treatment and heater.

## Solar Panels - Legal Advice

More people are getting solar panels in Villa Monterey. If you are considering leasing a solar panel, Craig Sjodin advises that you make sure there is a *subordination agreement* as part of the lease agreement, in case you later transfer title to your home. A subordination agreement is a legal document used to make the claim of one party (the solar lease or financing company) junior to (or inferior to or secondary to) a claim in favor of another (for example, your mortgage company). Make sure that this is addressed in the agreement with the solar company at the time of purchase.





# Holiday Lamppost Decorating Contest

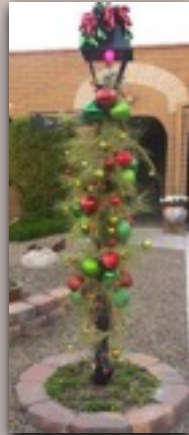
## The Finalists



The \$100 prize winners:  
Butch & Connie Swiercz



Carolina & Bob Grandestaff  
(note Carolina painted house on the top)



Brent & Karen Page



Michael & Susan Marchi



Eric & Susanne Malm

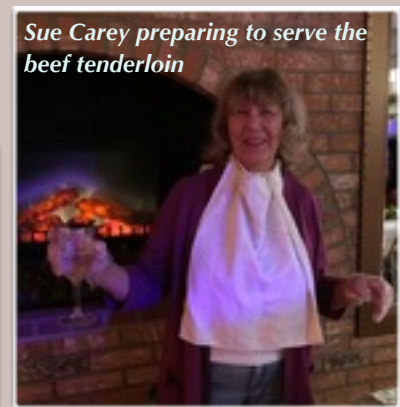


Patti Frinzi & Mike Sikes

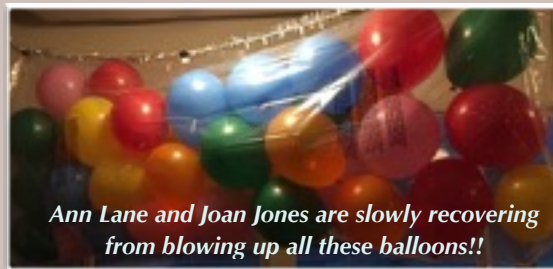
*Judging was done by a local artist who does not live in Villa Monterey.*



*The New Year's Eve Party* was lots of fun thanks to Sue Carey, Ann Lane, and Joan Jones.



*Sue Carey preparing to serve the beef tenderloin*



*Ann Lane and Joan Jones are slowly recovering from blowing up all these balloons!!*



*New Year's Eve revelers!*



thanks to Susanne Malm for the pictures

**MONTEREY PARK ASSOCIATION**

**VILLA MONTEREY UNITS 5/5A**

**JANUARY 14, 2019**

**NOMINATING BALLOT FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION**

**Annual Meeting, Saturday, March 9, 2019, 10:00 a.m.**

Please take this opportunity to nominate a shareholder as a Board of Director’s candidate. **Four directors have expiring terms, which are open for the upcoming two-year term.** Directors with expiring terms are Don Couture, Robert Grandestaff, Craig Sjodin, and Beverly Tyson.

**If you wish to nominate a candidate(s), fill out the Nominating Ballot below.** The Nominating Committee will then prepare a ballot that will be distributed in early February. Interested nominees will be asked to provide a one-paragraph bio/statement for the election ballot.

**Note that the nominee must be a shareholder (owner of record) in unit 5/5a for a minimum of one year previous to the annual meeting date.** Board meeting attendance is required in person (versus electronically). There is no requirement to attend every Board meeting; however, a Board member may not miss more than **three consecutive** meetings. Unless needed, Board meetings do not occur in the summer.

You may nominate yourself, and retiring Board members can be re-nominated.

**MONTEREY PARK ASSOCIATION UNIT 5/5A**

**DIRECTOR NOMINATING BALLOT**

I nominate \_\_\_\_\_ to the Board of Directors for 2019.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE DELIVER THIS FORM TO THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE MAILBOX, 7801 E. NORTHLAND DR. BY FEBRUARY 9, 2019, OR FAX IT TO 480 361-1099, OR EMAIL IT TO [jrosenthal14@gmail.com](mailto:jrosenthal14@gmail.com). THANK YOU.**