

MONTEREY

moments

November 2018



Thank you!

HOA board, committee members, event hosts, and other volunteers for your caring and commitment to keep our community a safe, clean, livable home.

Neighbor Allison Brooks (who runs an Amazon business) has a request for the little puffed air bags or bubble wrap that companies such as Amazon use to pad their shipments. If you call or send her an email she is happy to pick them up. This can be a good way to recycle!

SHAREHOLDERS' CONTACT SHEET . . .

If you have not completed your form yet, click the link below, complete, and submit to Beverly Tyson via email or drop in her mail slot. Whether or not your information has changed, please complete the form (print clearly).

Click this link:

[**Shareholder Emergency Contact Sheet**](#)

(for those who receive paper copy of the newsletter, a sheet is also attached)

**Villa Monterey 5/5A, Monterey Park Association
Christmas Party, December 8
See details on page 2**

REAL ESTATE REPORT . . .



No homes were sold in VM5 in October.

- ONE For Sale by Owner on Northland.
- 18 total for sale in all of Villa Monterey, with 2 being *Under Contract*.

- Price range \$237,000 to \$439,000

Market has slowed down considerably the last 45 days, interest rates have gone up.

-Joan Hunsinger

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**HOA Monthly Board Meeting
December 3, 9 am**

**Click this link for
Board Meeting minutes:
montereyparkassociation.com**

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 November 12 & December 17

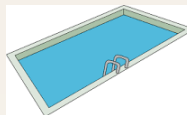
<http://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/solid-waste/brush-bulk-collection>



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.

Questions? Contact, Madeline Krska, coffee chair or San Barnes, Potluck/Happy Hour chair.

For safety and maintenance, the Board is planning to replace the pool deck in 2019. If anyone has knowledge of replacing a pool deck, can you advise the board on methods, materials, or possible contractors? Please contact Craig or Randy.



UPCOMING BOARD VACANCIES

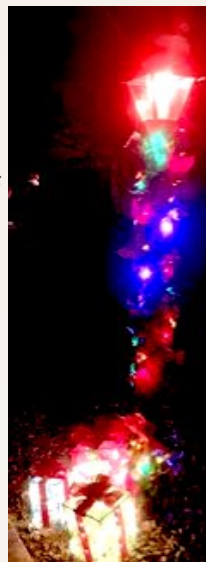
Four positions are up for election or re-election in 2019. Please think about volunteering for the board. By participating, you ensure the future of your community.

UPCOMING HOLIDAY EVENTS . . .

Christmas Party, December 8th, 5:30 (see menu below). An HOA subsidized event, thus the price is only \$15/person. Price for nonresident guests, \$42/person. Please make checks payable to **Monterey Park Association** and drop in Mike & Patti's mailbox, 7831 Highland, by December 1. In order to ensure there is plenty of food, no late reservations will be accepted.

Light Pole Decorating Contest. Start your creative juices flowing, thinking of new ways to decorate your light pole, a long-time Villa Monterey Christmas tradition. \$100 prize will be awarded on December 31st at the New Year's Eve party.

New Year's Eve Party, December 31, 5:30. Potluck/happy hour. Hosted by Sue Carey and Ann Lane.



<https://m.facebook.com/villamontereycommunity/>



Community Coffee
Saturday, December 1
9:30 am



Christmas Party
Saturday, December 8
5:30



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



Wednesdays
1 pm, Ramada
bring a lunch snack
Bev Tyson



Tuesdays & Fridays
1:30 pm
VM 4 Ramada
Sandy Mucci

Note: Missing Card Tables.

If anyone has borrowed card tables from the Ramada, please return. They are needed for the Christmas Party



from the City of Scottsdale

PROPER DISPOSAL OF MEDICATIONS . . .



Please do not put medications in your garbage disposal, drain, or flush them down the toilet.

Here's a simple, safe and effective way to dispose of medications:

1. Place the medication(s) in a watertight container,
2. Add enough warm water to help them dissolve into a paste,
3. Add a small amount of an undesirable substance like dish soap, coffee grounds or kitty litter to prevent pets and animals from eating it,
4. Bag and tie the container and place it in your black trash receptacle for normal collection.

NEW SOCIAL SECURITY SPOOFING SCAM . . .

If you receive a phone call from 800-772-1213 on your caller-ID screen, beware. Although that number is the SSA's national customer service line, the call is likely from thieves trying to obtain your Social Security Number (SSN) or other personal information. Your best bet is to not answer. In another scam, the caller pretends to be acting Inspector General Gale Stone. If you do take the call, do not give your Social Security number or bank account numbers.



Typically, the caller, claiming to be an SSA employee, says that the SSA does not have all of your personal information on file or that the agency needs additional information so it can increase your Social Security benefits. The caller might even threaten that SSA will terminate your benefits if you do not confirm your information.

According to Stone, SSA employees do not contact Americans by telephone for customer-service purposes nor do they threaten you or promise you a Social Security benefit approval or increase in exchange for information.

If you receive a suspicious call from someone alleging to be from the SSA, report it to the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) at 800-269-0271 (866-501-2101 for the deaf or hard of hearing) or online at oig.ssa.gov/report.

A VISITOR WE DON'T WANT. . .

Villa Monterey is an exceptional community—historical, aesthetic, orderly, and generally clean. Unfortunately, we have an occasional visitor that can give a neighborhood a bad name: the roof rat. This rodent can sometimes be seen scurrying along a shared wall or in nearby trees. **This is a dangerous and undesirable pest;** we need to work together to evict him from our community and the City of Scottsdale is here to help. If rats enter your home (as has happened), they can cause catastrophic damage and a threat to property values. To help rid our neighborhood and others of this pest, the City of Scottsdale provides the following advice for simple changes around our homes:

1. **Take away their food supply.** Don't make your yard a roof-rat smorgasbord. Harvest fruit from trees and dispose of fallen fruit (and nuts or seeds) frequently. Don't leave pet food out. Pick up pet droppings immediately. Keep garbage cans covered and use plastic bags.
2. **Cut off their water supply.** Don't leave water in pet bowls, flower pots, or other containers. Drain and fill in your water feature or pond. Ensure drainage of rain water.
3. **Take away their habitat.** Shrubs should be thinned and trimmed and well away from roofs, walls, fences, trees, and utility and light poles. Clear any debris, wood, or other clutter. If you are a winter resident, consider having someone perform these steps on a regular basis when you are gone. Your neighbors will thank you, and you will return annually to a cleaner, safer home.

None of us likes to think about rats crawling around. But by taking some common-sense steps, we have the power to control the destiny of our community.

Roof Rat Prevention, Maricopa County. This is a great website with some general tips and links to other resources: <https://www.maricopa.gov/2176/Roof-Rat-Prevention>

Need more information or help? Maricopa County Vector Control can help with information on rat bait, bait stations, and infestation areas. Call 602-506-6616.

Spooky (not) Dog Parade . . .

Neighborhood puppies dress up for Halloween
The winners won toys donated by Pet Smart.
Thanks, San Barnes, for organizing the fun!



fierce Mini Barnes, Ole!



Princess Millie Buzzello



Queen Oreo Hertsenberg



Jack (the stripper) and Marsha Cain took the gold



Xena (the scorpion) and Eric Malm took the silver



Thank you Beverly Tyson and Sue Carey for hosting the November coffee. Yummy quiches and baked goods!!



POTLUCK/HAPPY HOUR/ART SHOW . . .

The November Potluck was a joyous celebration of Jack Joseph and his stunning Western landscape photography. Attendees were captivated by his images and engaged Jack in a rich discussion of his artistic process. Jack held a drawing and twenty lucky neighbors went home with one of his photos. Thank you, Jack, for your generosity in sharing your work.

