

## ON THIS DAY...



### 1986 The space shuttle Challenger explodes after liftoff

At 11:38 a.m. EST, on January 28, 1986, the space shuttle [Challenger](#) lifts off from Cape Canaveral, Florida, and Christa McAuliffe is on her way to becoming the first ordinary U.S. civilian to travel into space. McAuliffe, a 37-year-old high school social studies teacher from

New Hampshire, [won a competition](#) that earned her a place among the seven-member crew of the *Challenger*. She underwent months of shuttle training but then, beginning January 23, was forced to wait six long days as the *Challenger's* launch countdown was repeatedly delayed because of weather and technical problems. Finally, on January 28, the shuttle lifted off.

Seventy-three seconds later, hundreds on the ground, including Christa's family, stared in disbelief as the shuttle broke up in a forking plume of smoke and fire. Millions more watched the wrenching tragedy unfold on live television. There were no survivors.

In 1976, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) unveiled the world's first reusable manned spacecraft, the *Enterprise*. Five years later, space flights of the shuttle began when *Columbia* traveled into space on a 54-hour mission. Launched by two solid-rocket boosters and an external tank, only the aircraft-like shuttle entered into orbit around Earth. When the mission was completed, the shuttle fired engines to reduce speed and, after descending through the atmosphere, landed like a glider. Early shuttles took satellite equipment into space and carried out various scientific experiments. The *Challenger* disaster was the first major shuttle accident.

In the aftermath of the disaster, President [Ronald Reagan](#) appointed a special commission to determine what went wrong with *Challenger* and to develop future corrective measures. The presidential commission was headed by former secretary of state William Rogers, and included former astronaut [Neil Armstrong](#) and former test pilot [Chuck Yeager](#). The investigation determined that the disaster was caused by the failure of an "O-ring" seal in one of the two solid-fuel rockets. The elastic O-ring did not respond as expected because of the cold temperature at launch time, which began a chain of events that resulted in the massive loss. As a result, NASA did not send astronauts into space for more than two years as it redesigned a number of features of the space shuttle.

In September 1988, space shuttle flights resumed with the successful launching of the *Discovery*. Since then, the space shuttle has carried out numerous important missions, such as the repair and maintenance of the Hubble Space Telescope and the construction of the International Space Station.

On February 1, 2003, a second space-shuttle disaster rocked the United States when *Columbia* disintegrated upon reentry of the Earth's atmosphere. All aboard were killed. Despite fears that the problems that downed *Columbia* had not been satisfactorily addressed, space-shuttle flights resumed on July 26, 2005, when *Discovery* was again put into orbit.

The Space Shuttle program formally ended on August 31, 2011 after its final mission, STS-135 flown by Atlantis, in July 2011.



## JOKE OF THE WEEK!

Did you hear the rumor about butter?  
Well, I'm not going to spread it.

## Board Application

### 2025 BOARD APPLICATIONS

There will be two (2) positions opening on the Board of Directors in 2025. Terms will be ending for Bud Jenssen and Glenn Martinsen. Mr. Martinsen has the option of running for a second term.

Board Applications for the 2025 Board Election are available at the Administration Office. If you are interest in serving on the Board, we encourage you to apply!

*Remember: Keep up to date with what is going on in the Cottonwood Palo Verde community by viewing our website and reading The Flyer and In The Know.*

### COFFEE WITH THE GENERAL MANAGER

- Wednesday, January 29
- 9:00am in the Saguaro Room
- Special Guests:

Scott Anderson, Golf Course & Common Area Manager  
Jon Griglak & Joey Jones, CWPV Golf Professionals



### 2025 HOA DUES – PAST DUE

Please remember – The first half of the 2025 HO Dues were due January 1, 2025 any HOA Dues NOT paid by January 20<sup>th</sup> will incur late fees and interest charges. If you are unsure if you have paid your dues, please call the office at 480-895-3550 and we will gladly check for you.

**PLEASE NOTE:** If you are *presently* enrolled in auto debit for your homeowner dues, you may disregard this notice.



### ARE YOU A NEW HOMEOWNER?

Be sure to come to Homeowner Services and get your picture taken for your member ID card(s).



## JANUARY EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

David Green is our January Employee of the Month. David was employed by our association on December 23<sup>rd</sup> of 2019. Reliability is hard to come by and he is someone we can really count on. He has been the Lead Pool Technician since shortly after his employment and with his knowledge of pool mechanical systems as a former pool repair technician, has saved the HOA considerable funds. He is a core member of our team and has worked through staffing issues with the help of our maintenance team to keep our pools safe, clean and open for our homeowners to enjoy.

Thank you for your excellent performance. Our organization is lucky to have you. We appreciate all your hard work and dedication!

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## 2024 EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR

Esteban Figueroa, the Foreman at Cottonwood Golf Maintenance, has done a great job of communicating the daily goals for the team. He is pleasant, very calm and manages the team with a mature attitude. In the past year, Esteban learned a new complex irrigation control operating system. The sprinkler and satellite controller project at Cottonwood taught Esteban a new skill in computer language.



Esteban developed new overseeding programs for both CW Golf Course and the Common Areas to include the 5-Lakes, Swan Lake etc. He worked additional hours adjusting run-times up-n-down, rewriting programs to ensure the field station data matches the computer programs by verifying the satellite identifications from the field matched central irrigation control system. There were several problematic days getting the field satellite controllers to correctly 'talk' to each other, such as, he changed out several irrigation nozzles to ensure we weren't overapplying water to unwanted areas.

Lastly, Esteban has worked tirelessly through obstacles of balancing the lake levels throughout the property. Esteban developed programs to manage irrigation usage against water deliveries for lake levels while working within the budgeted annual allotment from Pima / ADWR.

Thank you, Esteban, for being awesome! Congratulations on the well-deserved honor as our 2024 Employee of the Year!

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## GUEST PASSES

**If you are expecting family and friends, get your Guest Passes AHEAD of TIME to avoid the lines.**

Print the form from our website and have it ready when you come in. Go to [www.cottonwoodpaloverde.com](http://www.cottonwoodpaloverde.com), click on Homeowners Only, Forms and Guides, and select Guest Card Form & Guidelines.



Guests are defined as persons residing in the household of the homeowner or renter **(while the owner or renter is in residence)** for periods not to exceed 30 days per year.

**REMEMBER** - Guests require a pass to use any of the amenities if they are not with you. Guest Passes are required at the Fitness Activity Center along with a \$5/day fee!



## PLEASE DRIVE - 25!

Please remember the SPEED LIMIT in Cottonwood and Palo Verde is a maximum of **25 MPH**. Why? Because we have walkers, pets, bikers and golf carts on our roads and we all want to be safe.

Some of us still work, so we must be somewhere on a schedule. Or, thank goodness, some of us are involved in our community by serving on committees or belonging to one of our fine recreation clubs. Again, we are on a set schedule. But guess what? The speed limit is still **25 MPH!**

Please pay attention to your surroundings when driving on our streets. Please pay attention to the road signs when driving on our streets. Please use your turn signals when driving on our streets. **AND – PLEASE WATCH YOUR SPEEDOMETER WHEN DRIVING ON OUR STREETS! THANK YOU!**

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## ARE YOUR HOMEOWNER RECORDS CURRENT?

It is important that you check periodically to be sure we have your current information in your homeowner account. This is especially important when we need to contact you in an emergency or send important HOA mailings. You can update your information by submitting a **HOMEOWNER INFORMATION CHANGE SHEET**. This form can be completed at Homeowner Services or you can access a copy on our website: [www.cottonwoodpaloverde.com](http://www.cottonwoodpaloverde.com) under the "Homeowners Only" Section and then click on "Forms & Guides" and choose the Homeowner Information Change Sheet. Complete the form, sign and return to the Administration Office.



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## ADMINISTRATION CENTER: DROP BOX

For your convenience, a Drop Box is located east of the entrance of the John R. Dobson Administration Center. This box is provided for homeowners to drop off HOA paperwork, such as their dues assessments and comment cards when the office is closed.



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## THESE PATHS ARE MADE FOR GOLFERS

Every path on and around the golf courses are made for golfers to get around. At no time are these paths to be used by non-golfers for walking, jogging, bike riding, dog walking, etc.

Anyone caught violating these rules will be stopped and asked to leave. The rules apply to everyone who is not golfing and will be enforced 24 hours a day-7 days a week. Yes, this means no walking at night .

There are walking paths around the Five Lakes in Cottonwood for walking and exercise. Please enjoy our amenities and use them as intended.



## PET OWNERS

When you are out walking your pet and enjoying the Cottonwood Palo Verde surroundings, please don't be one of the inconsiderate pet owners who does not pick up after their pet. This failure forces the rest of us who wish to enjoy the same surroundings to tip toe around the mess created by you and your pet. PLEASE pick up after your pet at all times.



Pets must be on a leash at all times and don't walk your pets next to the greenbelt fence line. Walk them next to the walking path.

CHAPTER 6-03 SECTION II of the Sun Lakes HOA #2 Policy Manual defines all the rules and fines for pet violations.

The Homeowner Handbook states: No homeowner shall permit his or her dog, cat or other animal to create unsanitary conditions anywhere on common properties.

Please be accountable for you and your pet.

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## LOST AND FOUND

The San Tan Gate provides a secure location for items that are lost or found and is open 24 hours for your convenience. Homeowners must give a description of the missing item prior to release. Call (480)895-6846.



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## BIKING AND WALKING SAFETY

Each year in the U.S., more than 65,000 pedestrians are injured and about 5,000 are killed by cars. This hasn't yet happened in our community. We want to do all that we can to prevent such accidents. We don't have sidewalks, so a few precautions for walkers and bikers are important, especially this time of year when more walkers are out and visitors are in town.



- **Walk facing traffic.** Do all that you can to be seen by drivers. Wear light colored clothing and something reflective. In the dark, carry and wave a flashlight as you walk. Try to make eye contact with oncoming drivers. If walking your dog, keep your pet on a short leash, wearing a reflective collar or leash. Most importantly, walk facing traffic, close to the curb, NOT in the automobile traffic lane.
- **Bike with traffic.** At night, be sure your bike has a light and reflectors, especially on the back. Wear light colored clothing. Be extra aware of traffic approaching you from behind. Install a mirror. Bike close to the curb, NOT in the automobile traffic lane.

Be sure to have identification with you and carry your cell phone. **DRIVERS**, please be extra alert during the dark hours and drive SLOWLY.



## HOW TO GET AROUND ON THE CWPV WEBSITE

For those of you who are new to the neighborhood or simply need a refresher, here's how:

- ENTER INTO YOUR WEB BROWSER [www.cottonwoodpaloverde.com](http://www.cottonwoodpaloverde.com)
- CLICK **Homeowners Only Access**. From here you will see tabs providing access to HOA information and events.



## COMMENT CARDS

Your input is very important and comment cards are an excellent means of voicing concerns, compliments, thoughts, etc. You can find the **White Comment Cards / Boxes** throughout our Community at the following locations:

- Next to Cottonwood bulletin boards across from the Main Pool
- Outside the Saquaro Room (North Entrance)
- At the Palo Verde Clubhouse Bar Entrance
- At the Fitness Center
- At the Administration Center



**FOOD & BEVERAGE COMMENT CARDS** are available at the Cottonwood Bar & Grill and Palo Verde Restaurant.

**GOLF COMMENT CARDS** are available at the Cottonwood and Palo Verde Pro Shops.

Other options for submitting your comments or concerns include:

- Send an email to Admin@sunlakes2.com
- Send in an email to the appropriate Manager
- Call the Administration Office
- And of course, the annual survey takes comments

***Please SIGN your comment card and include your phone number so Management can contact you regarding your concern.*** All cards received are documented and acknowledged by Management for an appropriate action or response.

# The Board of Directors holds two regularly scheduled public meetings per month:



**The Agenda Planning Meeting**, the primary purpose of which is to set the agenda for the more formal Board Meeting. This meeting also provides an opportunity for homeowners to raise any matter of concern.

**The Monthly Board Meeting**, traditionally held on the last Wednesday of the month, addresses the Board agenda set at the Agenda Planning Meeting. This meeting typically includes a financial report; Board, Committee, and Management reports; Board comments; recommendations from administration and committees and presentations by invited guests. This meeting also provides the forum for homeowner's comments or questions.

**Workshops** are occasionally planned and are posted before the scheduled date.

***Be sure to check the bulletin boards, "The Flyer" and "In The Know" for any changes to the date, time or location of these meetings.***

## 2024 - 2025 BOARD OF DIRECTORS



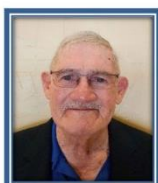
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TAMI RONNFELDT  
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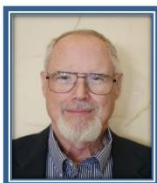
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## IMPORTANT HOMEOWNER INFORMATION *(Click subject lines below)*

- [HOMEOWNER ACCOUNT CHANGES](#)
- [WIRELESS LOCATIONS IN COTTONWOOD PALO VERDE](#)

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Fire & Emergency	911	Cottonwood Pro Shop	480-895-9449
Maricopa County Sheriff	602-876-1011	Palo Verde Pro Shop	480-895-0300
Sun Lakes Sheriff's Posse	480-895-8751	Cottonwood Bar & Grill	480-895-9688
Arizona Rangers Comp.	602-663-2509	PV Restaurant Reservations	480-895-1981
Poison Control	602-253-3334	Banquets/Catering	480-219-7009
SRP ( <i>street light issues</i> )	602-236-8888	CWPV Administration Office	480-895-3550
SRP Emergency	602-236-8811	Homeowner Services	480-207-7618
CWPV Mobile Patrol	480-895-9277	Fitness Activity Center	480-272-6484
San Tan Gate	480-895-6846		

## JOHN R. DOBSON ADMINISTRATION CENTER SUMMER HOURS OF OPERATION

### HOMEOWNER SERVICES

Monday – Friday 8:00AM - 4:00PM

Saturday - Sunday **CLOSED**

### ADMINISTRATION

Reception Desk and "Back Office"

Monday - Friday 8:00AM - 4:00PM (*Closed for Lunch 12-1pm*)

Saturday - Sunday **CLOSED**



If we are closed, please call and leave a message at 480-895-3550 and we will get back to you during business hours.

If you have business requiring the assistance of Administration Staff, please call to make an appointment or contact us Monday-Friday, 8AM-4PM.

- Thank You