

# Green Valley Foothills Townhouses IV

March, 2022

## Remarks from the President

Welcome Spring. It's been a cool, dry and windy end of Winter, so let's hope for warmer, wetter months ahead. And as we look forward, we know that many of our residents are preparing for their summers away from Green Valley. We hope that everyone has a safe and fun time this summer no matter where they are.

We had our first Townhouses IV Annual Meeting by Zoom on February 24, 2022, and I want to thank those residents who attended.

We proudly welcomed our 2 newly elected Board members, Pat Large and Ellen Riddle and congratulated our re-elected Board members Marilyn Kern and Dave Nank. The minutes of the Annual Meeting are posted on our website [www.gvth4.com](http://www.gvth4.com) .

Remember to come to the **Chili Cookoff Contest** on Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 PM at Manny's Park. \$3.00 for a bowl and roll and a bottle of water. Come have some fun and bring a friend or 2.

This May, the newly replaced roads, Calle de Alegria and Camino del Poso, will be seal coated to complete the installation process. Many thanks to Dick Dickerson for his work arranging for all the work on our roads.

Thanks to the Architecture Committee, our street lamps' bulbs will be upgraded to lower wattage and a more amber color to help meet dark sky requirements. Thanks to Dick, Larry and the Maintenance helpers who will be working on the changeover.

Enjoy the summer and we look forward to seeing you in the fall.

Julie

Julie Reppenhagen, Board President  
Green Valley Foothills Townhouses IV, Inc.



## **Meet Your Neighbors**

The **Meet Your Neighbors** event has been postponed until next spring. At that time, we will invite residents to Manny's Park to meet new friends and share ideas. Watch for details in 2023.

## **This Is Your Newsletter**

Do you read it? Do you find it useful? What would you like to see in our newsletters? What are we covering that we should change? Do you have suggestions for articles? Should we include guest articles? Do you have photographs to add to the newsletter? Should newsletters be quarterly or monthly? Newsletter Editor Meg Marshall would like your input. You can contact her at 715-225-7533 or laker43@gmail.com.

## **Javelinas**

Javelinas continue to pose challenges in the neighborhood, especially where dogs are concerned. Recent headlines in Arizona report javelina/dog attacks:

- "Javelina attacks dog near Sunnyslope. (Phoenix)
- "It tore all the tendons in my left arm". (Woman and dogs attacked near Phoenix)
- "Dog attacked by javelinas in Foothills" (Tucson)
- "Javelina attacks man while on a walk (with dogs) in Oro Valley."



Javelinas see dogs as coyotes, a natural predator. They probably smell them and respond instinctively. If you see javelinas while walking your dog, pick it up if small and head the other way. If you can't pick up your dog, at least go away from the javelinas. If they approach, make yourself seem large and make a lot of noise.

**What can attract javelinas?** Bird feeders and other food sources are well known javelina attractants. The best way to discourage them is to place your bird feeders inside your wall. Not only do feeders outside your wall attract javelinas, but they also attract pack rats, who attract rattlesnakes.

**What can discourage javelinas?** Put your garbage out in the morning to avoid nighttime raids. Javelinas can pull garbage out of in-ground cans, and a mess ensues.

**DO NOT FEED JAVELINAS. You're just asking for trouble and may very well endanger the safety of your neighbors. FEEDING JAVELINAS IS ILLEGAL! If you know someone who is feeding javelinas, please report them to the Board.**



The Green Valley Council (GVC) is the representative voice of Green Valley to Pima County, the State of Arizona and other governmental agencies. Through member homeowner associations (HOA) and institutional members and their voting representatives, the GVC carries out the wishes and addresses the concerns of the members and the Community.

The GVC was initially formed as a committee on March 21, 1966, by two homeowner associations and formally organized in 1978 as a 501C (4) not-for-profit corporation. For the past 45 years, the organization has represented the interests of Green Valley in matters of growth, development and environmental concerns through analysis, discussion, action and resolution.

One function of GVC is to provide helpful information to its HOA members. Recently they introduced a new Pima County program called [MyAlerts.pima.gov](http://MyAlerts.pima.gov) to alert you in case of an emergency, such as potential safety hazards, law enforcement situations or any number of emergency situations.

Go to [MyAlerts.pima.gov](http://MyAlerts.pima.gov) to create a profile and start receiving notifications. Emergency notifications are issued based on geographic location, so provide detailed information, such as address, in your profile so your notifications will be specific.



## Resident Owls

Has anyone seen an owl near the owl box? This is a good time to watch and listen for them. The most likely visitors to the owl box are the Western Screech Owl and the Barn Owl. Other owls frequently seen in our area are Great Horned Owls.

If you google Arizona Owls Sounds on YouTube, you can familiarize yourself with their natural history and calls. Please notify the Board if you hear owls or are lucky enough to spot them. Meg Marshall had a Western Screech Owl in her saguaro a few years ago. The male roosted nearby and called to the female who left the saguaro to begin the hunt for food. It was a thrill to watch for them every evening around 7 PM.