



The Sonora Homeowner

Official Newsletter

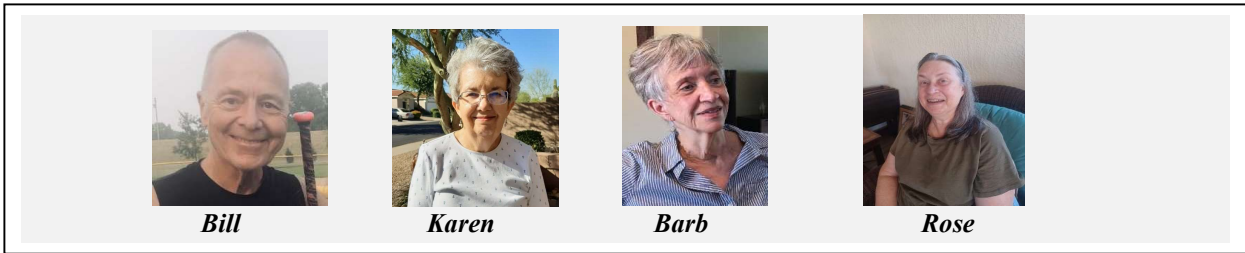
February 2024 Sonora HOA Board Members

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**Rose was appointed to serve as Interim Secretary until the next election held after the first of the year.*

*****Annual Meeting of the Membership of Sonora HOA*****
Friday, March 8, 2024 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.
R.H. Johnson Lecture Hall



The **Sonora Board** currently consists of five members. Terms for three of the current five members of the Board will **expire in March**. Each year an election is held to fill soon-to-expire terms. **Two of the elected members will serve three-year terms**. The resignation of Jeanette Oliver after completing one year of a three-year term means that **one of the new board members will serve the remaining two years of her term**. The Board Members with the largest number of votes will receive the longer terms.

Ballots for the upcoming HOA election are mailed to all Sonora HOA homeowners. A return envelope is included with the mailing. **If you do not receive a ballot**, please let Rose Bridenstine (rbsonorahoa@gmail.com) know right away! The addresses used for that mailing are those each homeowner currently has on file at Colby Management. If your full-time residence has changed since you last gave them your information, please contact Colby at your earliest convenience at (623) 977-3860 or at 17220 Boswell #140, Sun City, AZ 85373 to give them an update.

Meet the Candidates for the Sonora HOA Board of Directors in 2024

Mary-Jo Kelley

Hello, my name is Mary-Jo Kelley and I am interested in joining the Sonora HOA Board as the Member at Large. I have always been interested in HOA's since I was an active member of the HOA where we lived in Lacey, WA. Of the 20 years that I lived in Washington, I served on the Board for five years as Vice President and then President. As a Board, we worked together to enhance our community and helped our neighbors enjoy their surroundings. As a Sun City West neighbor, I am currently involved with Theatre West and the Computer Club. I look forward to bringing my previous experience to the Sonora HOA.

Gary Lowman

My name is Gary Lowman, and I am interested in running for the board for our Sonora HOA. My primary reason(s) for running are essentially twofold: 1) to help keep the costs for the monthly dues down, and 2) to try to make sure the HOA and community that it serves are on the same track as it relates to homeowners needs. My background is as follows: Started with Heinz affiliate Ore-Ida foods, responsible for cost reduction/cost containment and new facility planning. In 1990, we transferred to Torrance CA to manage an Industrial bakery to service the airline industry. In 1995, I went to work with HJ Heinz Weight Watcher Foods to manage a plant acquisition/conversion/shutdown. In 1997, I retired from HJ Heinz and started my own consulting company where I would manage (for a 6-12 month stint) various facilities across the US and parts of Mexico with the goal of bringing them to profitability. In 2005, my wife (Cathy) and I started coming to Arizona, initially in the Apache Junction area. We did that until 2013 when we visited some friends that were renting in SCW, fell in love with the place and bought our home here. In 2021, we sold our house in Idaho and are now happy (esp. this time of year) to call this our full time "Happy Place." I look forward to receiving your vote and serving the community. Thank you, Gary Lowman

Karen Smith

I am applying to spend another 3 years on the Sonora HOA Board. I have enjoyed my time as Treasurer - probably because I've always liked numbers. Math was always my favorite and best subject in school. When I graduated HS, I went to work for the Federal Government - The Social Security Administration. I took early retirement 25.5 years later, taking advantage of the opportunity to return to college and pursue a degree. Four years later I graduated as an Industrial Engineer. My husband, parents, daughter, and granddaughter all attended my graduation. After 5 years of engineering work, my husband and I retired, bought a 5th wheel and set out to see our country. We visited all 50 states (49 with the 5th wheel), and all 10 Canadian provinces. We chose AZ for our retirement home, first in Prescott and then here in Sun City West. I love my little house, my great neighborhood and the many available activities.

PLEASE RETURN YOUR BALLOT FOR THE HOA ELECTION.

Mail-in ballots **must be received by the HOA Secretary by 2/29/24** or homeowners may hand carry the ballot to the March 8 Annual Meeting of the Homeowners.

Ballots will be counted during the meeting. In order to be included in the count, any **ballot must be received prior to the start of the meeting. All ballots must be signed** by the homeowner on the back of the return envelope to be counted.

PEST CONTROL SCHEDULE

Tride and True Pest and Termite Control, LLC.

When they come, they **will spray in the back if the gate is unlocked**. They will ring the doorbell and ask if you want the garage sprayed. **Garage spraying** is included in this contract. If you want the **interior** sprayed, they will do that **for a fee of \$10**. Their schedule is:

*Lots 1 - 92 Second Monday at 1:00 p.m.

*Lots 93-182 Fourth Monday at 1:00 p.m.

GARBAGE SCHEDULE

Garbage picked up **Monday and Thursday** mornings - early. On major holidays, collections delayed one day.

RECYCLE SCHEDULE

Recycle is picked up the **first and third Wednesdays** each month. When there are five Wednesdays in the month (as in May), there is no pickup on that fifth Wednesday.

FRONT YARD MAINTENANCE

Maintenance workers arrive **Tuesday mornings** as follows:

*1st Tuesday: Zone 1 (lots 1 - 45)

*2nd Tuesday: Zone 2 (lots 71-115)

*3rd Tuesday: Zone 3 (lots 61-70 and 116-150)

*4th Tuesday: Zone 4 (lots 46-60 and 151-182)