



# CAT9 HOA Newsletter

## 2020 BOARD BRINGS RENEWED DIALOG ABOUT COVENANTS

WELCOME to Catalina Foothills Estates No. 9 (CAT9) Association. This unique neighborhood brings a rich history of owners committed to maintaining the “sense of place” in our beautiful desert landscape. The CAT9 association formed in July 1977, shortly after the original protective covenants were filed in February 1977. New owners who take time to read past newsletters on our [CAT9.org](http://CAT9.org) site will quickly see that the board has consistently set architectural review and compliance with the covenants, conditions and restrictions (CC&Rs) as a primary objective.

THE PURPOSE of the recorded “declaration of covenants”, or agreement, is to establish a general plan for the development and maintenance of the subdivision. In the long run, these rules and standards help, not hurt, the desirability of the neighborhood by creating a balance between development and the natural vegetation, wildlife, and serenity of the foothills. In our CAT9 neighborhood, by virtue of ownership, each lot owner agrees to comply with this general scheme. This year, we give thanks to previous board members who have developed this infrastructure for our community, and who have volunteered many hours of service to maintaining our neighborhood in compliance with the CC&Rs for a very low annual assessment of \$100 (CC&RS Section 7.b.3).

JOIN US in communicating when you plan to make changes to the exterior of your home so that we can guide you and provide the support consistent with our past board members and chairs. Further, please pay your annual assessment on time (postmarked by February 29) (CC&Rs Section 7.g). This year’s Board looks forward to getting to know each of you so that we can continue the dialog about this shared mission.

FOR THE CATALINA FOOTHILLS ESTATES NO. 9 BOARD

Sherri Durand

Vice President and Secretary



Your new board, chairs, and key contacts for the 2020 term are as follows:

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## New Cat9 Architectural Review Guidance and Request Form

Your home is subject to [Covenants, Conditions & Restrictions \(CC&Rs\)](#) which are intended to protect the unique attributes, appearance and environment of CAT9. These restrictions limit the architectural styles, colors, natural features, vegetation, and building heights so that we can maintain the “sense of place” and historical foundation of our picturesque Catalina Foothills originally developed by native Tucsonan John W. Murphey starting in the 1920’s.

Per the CC&Rs (see Section 4), any “construction, installation, additions, alteration, repair, change, or replacement of any Improvement” on the lot must obtain Board approval. The design review process for CAT9 is separate from the larger, independent Catalina Foothills Association for Areas 1-6, 7 and 8 (see [cfatucson.org](http://cfatucson.org)), but still consistent in approach. As set forth in the CC&Rs, the Board has authority to engage “Architectural Consultants” to review the requests and advise the Board. Owners must obtain written approval from the Board PRIOR to starting construction. The Board may charge fees for architects, consultants, and attorneys to cover the costs of reviewing requests and enforcing the CC&Rs. Approval by the Board in no way implies conformance with any government regulations or permitting requirements, all of which are the responsibility of the owner. Owners must read and understand the CC&Rs as part of the review process.

At the January 2020 meeting of the directors, the Board approved new architectural review guidance and a written request form to help owners through the process. Please complete this application in full to avoid delays, and so the Board can make a timely and informed approval. Per the CC&Rs, plan for up to 60 days from submittal for approval since the Board only meets once a month (See Cat9.org website for meeting dates). Please contact the Architectural Review Chairman (Paul Schwartz) at ([pauls26@optonline.net](mailto:pauls26@optonline.net)) to start your request and for questions about coordinating with the Board’s approving architect. \*\*\*

### CAT9 ANNUAL DUES

The CAT9 annual dues assessment notice was sent out, via email, in January 2020. The dues of \$100 were due on February 1, 2020. Please note that CAT9 dues are mandatory and are not the same as the Catalina Foothills Association that asks for a \$20 voluntary contribution. Payments that are not postmarked by February 29, 2020 will be assessed an additional \$15.00 for each month of nonpayment starting on March 1, 2020.

If you have any questions, please email the Boards Treasurer at ‘joycesu@yahoo.com’.

Zelle (electronic transfers, BOA): cat9hoa@gmail.com.

## CATALINA FOOTHILLS ESTATES #9: SUPPER CLUB

It is time to sign up for the 2020 Neighborhood Supper Club. Whether you participated in 2019 or not, you MUST sign up for 2020 if you want to participate. Supper Club is on a year by year basis.

Over 20 neighborhood households participated in the 2019 Neighborhood Supper Club. We enjoyed four themed dinners over the past 12 months at four different homes. The bonus has been getting to know our neighbors!

### Supper Club Rules:

- *Neighborhood only*
- *No children at Supper Club unless host has children*
- *Meet quarterly - about 4 times/year*
- *Meet on weekends*
- *Everyone must be willing to host or co-host - will rotate (not more than once every year or two)*
- *Two hour rough guideline for dinner*
- *If you have dietary restrictions, bring something you can eat & share it*
- *Always casual!*
- *Host will ask at least two other members to co-host*
- *Host decides on theme and format - can be inside or outside, host can provide everything or assign parts of the meal, can be potluck with everyone bringing something. Host and co-hosts can do a progressive dinner - free reign with possibilities for group supper determined by host!*
- *Host and/or co-hosts clean up kitchen afterward - it will be a fun evening out for everyone else!*

### 2020 Supper Club events:

March 22

May

October 11

December

Please email your response to join or not by February 10 to Louise Henderson at [Louise618@gmail.com](mailto:Louise618@gmail.com), or text or call 520-253-0247.



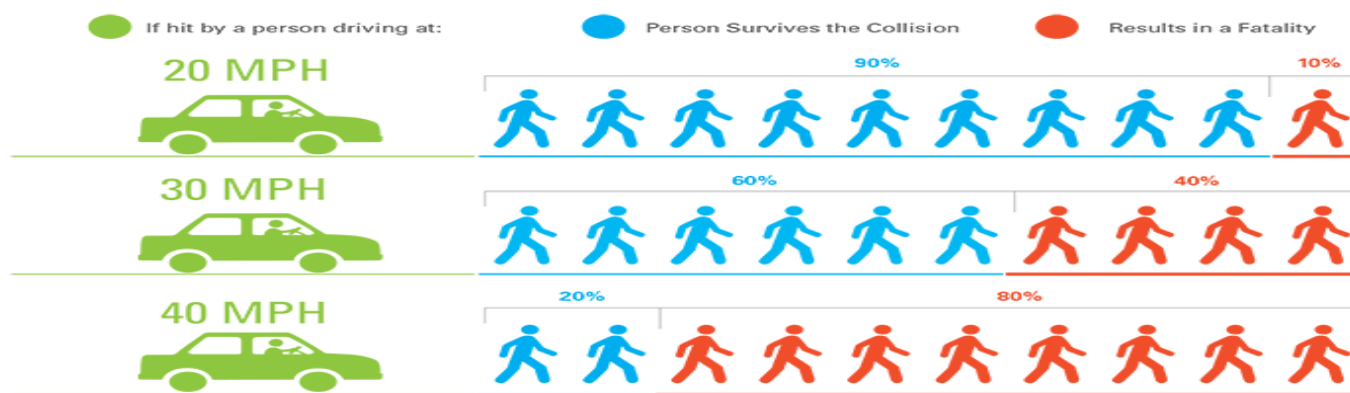
ROADS AND LANDSCAPING



Larry Ivy, here, overseeing the Associations roads and landscaping which we want to maintain. Our roads will be sealed in mid-May as the temperature will be conducive for completion. If you have any comments or ideas regarding debris along roadways and or landscaping needs contact me at: [laruivy@msn.com](mailto:laruivy@msn.com). The Board would like to address our mistletoe problem, and we have two local landscapers who can remove MISTLETOE: Jose Gonzales/Lupita (272-5192) at \$40 per hour, and Javier Martinez (460-9188) with three workers at \$80 per hour. Estimates for your work will be provided before you commit.



### PEDESTRIAN SAFETY



### The Risks to Others: It's Not Worth Speeding

Disturbingly, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reports that most people who are speeding through residential areas actually live in the neighborhood! You might be eager to come home after work, but that's no excuse if a child is hit and seriously injured. Here are some statistics that should make you think twice before easing your car up to 30 mph:

- Pedestrians are killed three times as often when moving from a 25 mph zone to a 30 mph zone. By that logic, if you increase your speed only 5 mph, you're raising the chances of a fatal accident threefold.
- If you hit a pedestrian at 20 mph, 5% will die. If you hit a pedestrian at 30 mph, 45% will die. At 40 mph, 85% will die.
- If you hit a child, the likelihood of death is higher still.

"Local" or residential streets have a fatality rate over two times higher per mile driven than highways.

**It's been said, and we'll say it again: be safe, not sorry!**



The Board's goal is to issue CAT9 newsletters three times a year, and we want to make these letters informative and interesting to our residents. To meet this goal, we would like to know if you have an idea or proposal that would be of interest to our neighborhood. If you do, please send your ideas or proposals to Teri Ellen at [teriellen55@gmail.com](mailto:teriellen55@gmail.com).

The next newsletter should be released in June 2020, so please send your ideas or proposals to Teri Ellen no later than May 10<sup>th</sup>.

### CAT9 BOARD MEETINGS - 2020

The CAT9 Board generally meets at 7:00 pm on the first Monday of the month (except no meetings are held in July and August). These meetings are open to the public, and the Board allows 10 minutes for "Resident Related Issues" at the beginning of the meeting. If you have a topic that you want to discuss with the Board, you must schedule the topic with the Board Secretary two weeks prior to the meeting. Text or call the Secretary (Sherri Durand) at 520-869-5754 to confirm a specific meeting time and date, as holidays and vacation schedules may result in rescheduling or cancelling a meeting.

Meeting dates for 2020 are:

January 6  
 February 3  
 March 2  
 April 6  
 May 4  
 June 1  
 September 14 (due to Labor Day)  
 October 5  
 November 9  
 December 7



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