

# SpringPointe Quarterly

News and Views Of Your Community

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## Your HOA Needs You & You Need the HOA

### Calling All Candidates!

By *Jim Armstrong* - SPHOA Secretary

The yearly election for our HOA Board of Directors is coming up at the Annual Meeting on March 9, 2021. One current Director is seeking re-election, so two of the three available seats are wide open!

What does it take to be a Director? Willingness to listen to homeowners with an open mind, ability to work with fellow directors to accomplish tasks, responsibility to follow our CC&Rs, Rules, and Arizona statutes.

SpringPointe is a self-managed community. We don't have the expense of an outside management company because we rely on homeowners to get involved and take on these responsibilities from time to time. Each Director serves a two-year term. The Board meets typically once a month from fall through spring. Work goes on behind the scenes throughout the year.

To learn more about serving your neighborhood in this important role, feel free to contact any of our current Board members. You could also encourage a neighbor to consider this opportunity. If interested, put your hat in the ring for this election by contacting Nominations Chairperson Valerie Prehm at [vprehm@msn.com](mailto:vprehm@msn.com) or 520-612-0806.

### Time to Step Up!

By *John Lee* - SPHOA Vice President

Springpointe is a lovely place to live! Usually, all is quiet in our well kept, neat and tidy little neighborhood. But how did it get that way? How do the plants in the common areas or clubhouse grounds get planted, trimmed and maintained? Who decides when the clubhouse needs painting or the roof leaks get fixed? How does the clubhouse get tended to? Who sends out the dues statements, does the banking, pays the bills, builds a financial statement, or balances the bank statement? Who records the business of the HOA, keeps the files, does the communications, responds to neighbor's concerns? Who tends to the HOA website, produces this newsletter, deals with title companies, and produces the documents for new homeowners?

There is a lot going on in our little neighborhood! Much of it is behind the scenes, none of it provides any glory, and all of it requires only a willingness to help make and keep your neighborhood a good place to live. The Springpointe Home Owners Association is like every other entity here in Green Valley. It only works because of volunteers. Fortunately, over the years we have had a number of very involved, interested board members and neighbors who attend to the details of the tasks listed above and countless others. But the end of term has come for several members of the HOA board, which is our elected body. Other heads and members of committees have done their job for multiple years and are ready to do other things. They have done their duty.

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## EVENTS

### Meetings

Regular Board meeting on Tuesday,  
February 9, 2021 at 10:00 AM.

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SpringPointe Annual meeting on  
Tuesday, March 9, 2021 at 10:00 AM.

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***No homes have been sold  
since October, 2020.***

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A common comment to a request for involvement is “I did that stuff during my working years. Let somebody else do it now.” Guess what! Everybody here is in the same boat. All of us had or still have working lives, and because of that you have skills that could help the neighborhood. Also, the more of us that get involved, the easier the tasks can be. It is time to step up and do your part! We need the members of our neighborhood to get involved. We need your help. Please volunteer. Call any board member and express your interest. We will find something for you to do to contribute.

2021

The Year of the OX



## Fighting Back Against Scams and Fraud

By *Kae Vinson* - Quarterly Editor

Thanks to Sylvia Bencomo, Manager of SCAM Squad, for providing information and Gloria Lee for sharing Scam Squad information.

Most of us have our scam and fraud stories to tell. We are wiser and older now but scammers are more sophisticated and convincing today.

Green Valley has a special SCAM Squad which is part of the Sheriff's Auxiliary Volunteers. Aren't we lucky to have this protective and informative volunteer group on location to help prevent us from being victims of conniving shysters? And yet, the blindfold of trust can still make us losers in a conman's game.

Some of the many scams in Green Valley are:

Charity Scams	Tech Support Scams
Grandkid scams	Health Care Scams
Imposter Scams	Home Repair Scams
Online Dating Scams	Maintenance Contracts
You've Won Scams	Identify Theft

If you have been a victim of any scam you need to report it to the Scam Squad. This action will alert the squad to new scams and may keep another person

from becoming a victim. Ask for assistance and help in identifying scams and get advice if you have questions about a possible scam.

We need to take heed of the following scam information in this quoted paragraph. “Keep your money and information private. Protect financial information, S.S. numbers, and insurance information. Do not use passwords, credit card number or bank account on Public Wi-Fi. Stop. Check it out. Take your time! Help prevent crime by Hang up, Shred, Delete.”

What wise advice! Do you want to learn more about the Scam Squad, the latest scams, prevention, educational information, and other related topics? Contact: The Green Valley Scam Squad at [scamsquad@gvsav.org](mailto:scamsquad@gvsav.org) or call (520) 351-6715.

You can check on hired licensed contractors at the Arizona Registrar of Contractors - Phoenix office. Contact [roc.az.gov](http://roc.az.gov) or call (602) 542-1525. For Identify theft go to [FTC.GOV/IDTHEFT](http://FTC.GOV/IDTHEFT)

**May you never be a victim!**



## **Guest Commentary**

### ***International Women's Day***

*By Sylvia Robertshaw*

The month of March makes for a number of fun celebrations: St Patrick's Day, first day of spring, Peanut Butter Lovers' Day... My favorite might be the International Women's Day, celebrated on March 8. There are a few angles to this special recognition and not all deal with the idea of a fun time as March 8 historically refers to strikes by factory women protesting their working conditions and to harsh fights for women's rights. But with the years, it became more of a positive acknowledgment reminding us of a need for more social justice and gender parity.

On a larger scale, it came to evolve a warm appreciation of womanhood, especially in Europe. An occasion for anticipated concerts by female performers in France, a celebration of women artists and writers in many places. It is best symbolized by the ubiquitous yellow mimosa flower in Italy where Women's Day is a good excuse - at least in a pandemic-free world - for girlfriends to go out together for a pizza or for a hike. Since it was made official in 1977 by the United Nations, the International Day of Women gained some more attention, but pretty much March 8 is what every woman wants to make (or not to make) out of it.

Still strongly political for some, this day naturally reflects on the progress achieved by women over the centuries at all kinds of levels: social, economic, cultural... As such it will be completely successful, one could argue, when the need for a special day for women will be eliminated. In the meantime, March 8 embodies the sense of friendship and solidarity that we dearly need at this moment.

**Remember to mark your calendar and cheers to each and every woman in SpringPointe!**

**8 March**  
***International Women's Day***



# REMINDERS

## Notice

**SpringPointe HOA  
Annual Meeting**

When: March 9, 2021– Tuesday

Time : 10:00 am

Where: SpringPointe Social Center

### **Insurance Reminder for Condo owners**

*By Travis Gamble* - SPHOA treasurer

If you are paying more than \$300 per year, you may be paying too much. Owners of four units read this message in the dues letter they received in early December; called their insurance companies and are saving \$200 per year. Call Travis at (253-857-4235) for help.

### **2021 SPHOA Dues**

Dues need to be paid by the end of the grace period (January 31) to avoid a late fee.



### **Kudos**

Gloria Lee recently joined the communication team. She has volunteered to manage the SpringPointe Facebook Group. Gloria is developing guidelines for the group and will share this information when it is ready.

SpringPointe thanks our board directors and volunteer committee members for their service during the last year. Sometimes, we forget these people are not paid for the time they freely give to make SpringPointe a better place.

