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New Year's Eve Party
Tuesday, Dec 31
7:00PM
Cholla Community Clubhouse
EVERYONE IS WELCOME!
\$10 for members & \$15 for guests

Return of an OBSC New Year's Eve Party

Our last NYE party brought in 2017; which was 8 years ago! It was a prime Saturday night and we put on a terrific party!! There was lots of great food, dance music, football pools, beer, wine, margaritas, champagne and a small turn out. The clubhouse was beautifully decorated as well as all of the members! Noise makers of all kinds celebrated midnight three times! Consequently, a small group of about 40 people had a great time, but the club lost a *lot of money*. After 8 years of wound licking we'll try it again! There will, of course, be great hors d'oeuvres, chips and dips, a nacho bar, lots of wine, beer, margaritas and champagne toasts at midnight, eastern time, central time and Cholla time! All of this for \$10 for members and \$15 for guests. For another \$5, you may purchase a bottomless drink wrist band. The club will be beautifully decorated and we

will have noise makers and hats for our members and guests. Try getting all of this at any of the Peñasco watering holes and you don't have to leave Cholla! Our party will start at 7:00PM and continue to the wee hours of 2025.

The first party of the new year will start at 10:00AM new year's day. We will be celebrating the ASU Sun Devils going down to Georgia for the Peach Bowl. The game starts at 11:00AM, but we will have game pools ready to sell at 10:00AM. We're sure there will be lots of great left over food from New Year's Eve, as well as a bloody Mary bar, beer, margaritas and mimosas. Feel free to bring your own comfy beach chair for watching the game. The supplies are already paid for, so we'll ask for donations only, no charge at the door! We hope to see a good turnout at both events!



Coming Events • 2025

- Dec 31 - New Year's Eve • 7:00PM
- Jan 1 - ASU in the Paech Bowl • 10:00AM
- Jan 18 - Winterfest • 6:00PM
- Jan 19 - General Meeting • 11:00AM
- Feb 15 - Mardi Gras Parade & Dinner
Parade @ 4:00PM • Dinner @ 6:00PM
- Feb 16 - General Meeting • 11:00AM
- Mar 15 - St. Patrick's Day Dinner • 6:00PM
- Mar 16 - General Meeting • 11:00AM
- April 12 - Community BBQ • 2:00PM
- April 13 - General Meeting • 11:00AM

Carne Asada & Mark Mulligan

What a great combination, a fabulous carne asada dinner and a concert by Mark Mulligan. We even had a bonus with Dave Sheehy joining Mark for the show. With 50 members attending, we had a really intimate setting for Mark and Dave's music. Mark loves playing at the OBSC; we provide a quiet and appreciative audience for his show. In return, he really turns on the stage presence and the highest quality music. Chef Ricardo and his minions really outdid themselves on the dinner. Many commented the carne asada, beans and rice were the best they had ever tasted! Annette's raffle was popular during a break in the show. The big winner was Michelle Keller, she walked away with \$100 USD for winning the 50/50 raffle. Someone suggested setting up a "go fund me" to buy a hearing-ear dog for Cheryl. It seems she thought she had won every time a number was pulled. Hopefully

the dog will memorize her ticket numbers and woof when one of her real numbers is called. Fortunately, towards the end of the raffle, she finally scored a beautiful artisanal trivet made from Annette's plentiful used champagne corks. It was another great evening of friends, food, raffles and live music!






**Spaghetti Dinner &
Electric Light Parade**

Saturday, December 14 was an awesome day in La Choya. In the morning, the CBSC held their annual Christmas party for the children in Cholla Bay. It began with La Posada; then the children sang several Mexican Christmas carols. The children had photos taken with Santa Claus (Gaby Camargo) and their families. Each child went "shopping" for a gift for their mothers and each child received a gift for themselves. Lunch was served and afterwards, there were four piñatas destroyed by the children based on age. Even the mothers got involved. They had their own piñata that suffered the same fate. After the party, each Cholla family received a cash gift of approximately \$100 USD. The day was not over yet! At 5:00PM, the OBSC sponsored a spaghetti dinner. It was attended by 70 people. All proceeds from the dinner will go to help fund next year's Children's Christmas party. The dinner was fabulous again, thanks to our own OBSC Vice President, Chef Rich Venzor. Annette organized another 50/50 raffle. This time the big winner was Dot Freeman. She scored \$200 USD! And the day wasn't over yet! At 7:00PM, we kicked off our annual Electric Light Parade. The parade was led by a fabulous float created by "Strawberry" John Hurley. *Click here for a video of the parade contributed by Aron Brown.* We

had a record number of entries in the parade and an incredible amount of spectators lining the parade route. The spectators scooped up the candy and trinkets scattered by the parade participants. Cholla Bay is a great place to be a homeowner or visitor! Thanks go to all that made the day's events happen!



OBSC Mardi Gras!

At the December general meeting, the membership discussed the theme for this year's Mardi Gras Parade in February. Rather than a specific theme, we decided to make our event a Brazilian Carnival. If you are familiar Carnival in Brazil, there is not a designated theme the entries follow. Each entry improvises their own theme. The Brazilian Carnival is absolutely spectacular; each entry is unique and amazing. I downloaded a YouTube of last year's Brazilian Carnival. It's can be viewed at [this link](#). I can't imagine how much planning and work goes into each of these floats. The idea is to make your float as glitzy and glamorous as possible and not be concerned with a theme. We will have winners in our parade. We give an award to the best overall float, the quirkiest float and the Judge's Favorite. As in the past, we will employ the best judges money can buy! For the parade, the OBSC will supply beads to throw to the spectators, but please bring your own candy.



For over a year our Treasurer for life, Tucson Sue Sledge, has been saving our bar tips, front door tips and Kahlua sales to donate to our local Cholla Charities fund. Due to the generosity of our members and guests she has collected \$835 (USD)! The manager of the Cholla Charities, Kathy Barnard was thrilled to receive our gift. The Cholla Charities is governed by an independent board. Cholla residents falling on hard times due to illness, accidents or deaths, apply to the Cholla Charities for support. The Board may approve up to \$500 USD to be given to the applicant. The Cholla Charities' mission is to help Cholla residents and others who are directly connected to La Cholla. They have given out thousands of dollars to worthy local residents needing assistance.

Old Boys' & Girls' Birthdays

December-January-February

Dave Heath • Dec 2
 Vickilyn Vansickle • Dec 2
 Marlene Blair • Dec 4
 Bruce Tegge • Dec 5
 Mike Orcutt • Dec 6
 Stephen Patacchiola • Dec 6
 Carol Court • Dec 7
 Pat Cook • Dec 9
 Liane Spoylar • Dec 10
 Kelly Ross • Dec 12
 Christine Helfers • Dec 12
 Mike Valdez • Dec 14
 Eleanor Pope • Dec 14
 Beckie Freeman • Dec 14
 Jeff Freeman • Dec 21
 Mike Carnes • Dec 23
 Gwen Yoakum • Dec 23

Chris Walker • Dec 31
 Bob Keller • Jan 1
 Beckey Patacchiola • Jan 3
 Gina Brewer • Jan 3
 Rhea Dugan • Jan 6
 Holly Martin • Jan 6
 Angelina Soto • Jan 11
 Jack Brewer • Jan 12
 Carla Grijalva • Jan 10
 Jerry Moore • Jan 14
 John Spoylar • Jan 18
 Dolly Wall • Jan 19
 Ray Flinn • Jan 21
 Julie Oesterreicher • Jan 21
 Sandy Carrillo • Feb 3
 Barbara Dammann • Feb 6
 Donna Schilling • Feb 6



Jo Jo Wiess • Feb 11
 Claudia Dalton • Feb 15
 Paulette Dague • Feb 17
 Steve Thompson • Feb 19
 Estella Kilbourne • Feb 24
 Penny Estelle • Feb 24
 Joe Milici • Feb 25
 Linda Milici • Feb 26

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If you haven't checked out our Facebook page, you are missing out! Tucson Sue maintains the page and posts photos in real time as the events unfold. There are many more photos on the Facebook page that are not in our newsletter. The page can be found by clicking the logo to the left. We also have a website where all of the past newsletters are stored. There are also \$10 guest passes for all of our regular parties. Download a guest pass and invite a friend to attend. The website also has membership forms in a fillable pdf format. Visit our website at www.OldBoysSocialClub.com



Annual Dues

The OBSC continues to be the best party club in Puerto Peñasco. Annual membership dues of \$25 are payable on January 1. Please fill out the attached fillable pdf and return with your dues. You can pay your dues through PayPal or Zelle. Both platforms use old-boysocialclub@gmail.com as the email address. You may also print out the form, fill it out and snail-mail with a check to our PO Box in Lukeville.