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Our December Featured Properties

Near U of A, Tucson Racquet Club, bus lines, River Walk, and shopping! Corner ground unit with 2BR/2BA near community pool. Large kitchen, W/D, refrigerator, ceramic tile, and carpet floors, cozy FP, private patio, & covered parking. \$112,000.



REDUCED! 4BR/2BA home, lg pool-size lot on cul-de-sac! Ceramic tile thru-out, eat-in kit w/ refrigerator, gas stove, & DW. AC and furnace less than 2 years old. Roof recoated 2007. New paint. Extended covd patio. Near shopping, restaurants, bus lines. \$175,000.

Gorgeous city views from ext wrap-around covd patio! Prvt end unit, 3/2 split plan. Eat-in kit, spacious GR, built-in ent center, and cozy FP. All appl incl. Walking dist to shopping, restaurants, bus lines, and schools. Comm pool, tennis. HOA inc water, roof. \$320,000.



Spectacular views of the Catalinas! District 16 home nestled on almost half an acre cul-de-sac lot. Spacious BRs, sep FR, formal LR & DR, and new 20" ceramic. Large, fenced, beautiful, private back yard with mature landscaping and a refreshing "Spool". \$499,999.

REDUCED! Gorgeous 6BR / 6BA with detached GH, beautiful travertine tile, cherry cabinets, granite counters, all appliances. Fabulous MBR, MBA, exercise rm, study. Gated community! Sparkling pool, stunning city, mt, & sunset views. \$1,999,999.



For more information on these featured homes or other properties, please contact Cheryl 520-529-5123 or Dick 520-529-5120

We've Moved!

We are proud to announce our recent association with Realty Executives of Southern AZ. Our new office is conveniently located at Sunrise and Kolb in the Basha's shopping center at 6872 E Sunrise Dr. Stop by and see our new digs when you get a chance !

BUDGET BATHROOM REMODELING

Catch the Cajun carpenters, Rosey and Romey, as they do the Rosie on the House radio show, 790AM, every Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon

What's the quickest, cheapest way to update the bathroom? Update your faucets, towel rack, showerhead, door-knobs and cabinet hardware, and you'll update the look of your bathroom.

Make sure everything matches. If you choose a silver-toned shower door or grab bars, match them with silver-toned faucets and hardware. If you choose gold tones, stick with gold throughout the room.

Stay away from shiny brass and chrome fixtures. They're yesterday's news. Give your room a soft, luxurious feel with hardware, racks and faucets in oil-rubbed nickel, brushed chrome or brushed bronze.

Some other ways to add luxury to your bathroom without spending a lot: Splurge on one fixture that makes your bathroom unique; Paint your cabinets; Upgrade your lighting.

Faux" materials like Arizona Re-Bath's tile-look acrylic wall surround can be an attractive alternative to expensive ceramic or marble.

Don't paint your bathroom green! Yellows and greens clash with skin tone under bathroom lights, leaving dark shadows under your eyes. A better hue is blue-or any color with a blue base (even reds can have a blue base).

Beiges, creams and peaches are nice on bathroom walls, too, as they won't clash with your complexion.

If you love green, add accents like green towels that won't reflect on your skin when you look in the mirror.

www.RoseyOnTheHouse.com

Email or Snail Mail?

This newsletter is mailed or emailed to more than 7,000 homes every month. In an effort to maintain our current circulation and to assure that you continue to receive it each month, we are offering our readers the option of having the "purple rag" emailed as opposed to mailing through the post office (and on email it's in color). Many have responded and our email list is really growing!

If you would be interested in receiving your newsletter via your email, please send us your name, address, subdivision, and email address. We promise not to share, raffle, give away, or sell your email address to ANYONE . . . EVER! Contact:

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The Sharing Space

If you have anything to sell or recommend, send it and we'll print it here.

Log on to: www.LetsSayThanks.com. Pick out a thank you card, Xerox prints it and sends to a soldier currently in Iraq. Our troops need to know we're behind them. It only takes 5 seconds. Kay

Ganga Garage Sale! Saturday, December 13 beginning at 7 am at 427 N Brook Park (Centrepark next to Kohl's at Broadway and Pantano).

1975 Dodge Dart for sale. Runs good. Best Offer. Call Sharon P. at 747-3158.

Southwest design wood dining table with 4 chairs, \$200 obo. Chef's rack, dark green metal, light wood shelf with mini wine rack, \$50 obo. sksPatch@yahoo.com for pics or info.

"Pronto" electric scooter, \$750. Cherry-wood dining room table with leaf and four chairs, like new, \$400. Beautiful, Broyhill sofa, like new, paid over \$1800, asking \$70. Maroon-colored recliner, like new, \$150. Call Pat @ 296-2422.

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Donkey Kong Machine, \$450. **Bally's Midway Strange Science Pinball Machine**, \$450. Please call Joy at 631-1304.

Desert Willow Pool Service, LLC, Affordable, Experienced and Reliable. Specializing in Acid Wash, Chlorine Rinses, and treating Algae Infested pools and monthly Pool Cleaning Service! For a Free Estimate Call Rebecca Laventure at (520) 390-2746.

Two **East Lawn Cemetery** crypts, in the mausoleum. \$2,000 each. Call Jean @ 296-6759.

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Struggling with debt? Primerica specializes in helping middle class families. Get a free financial needs analysis today. Call Paul at 731-8344.

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Amazing re-do on our driveway! Completely professional and dependable. We strongly recommend Ed at **Beyond Brick**, 722-3400." Marsha and Bruce

40" x 28" wood/leather **Globe Bar** from Italy, \$125. Wrought Iron, brass & wood **Baker's Rack**, \$750. **Ford Taurus SES**. 2003, 6 cyl 52k mi. ext warr. \$5,990 OBO. Call Butch @ 981-8354.

Handsome wooden **Armoire** with Ocotillo-look doors. Paid \$995, asking \$250. **Fireplace screen**, wooden hinged ivory w/painted design. Never used. Paid \$80, asking \$15. Call 808-2919.

Mayan Palace Resort, beachfront, south of Rocky Point - remodeled 2 BR, 2 BA with living room and kitchen, \$900/wk, or \$150 /day. Call George at 290-8646 for details.

Teach For Friendship Foundation is recruiting teachers for July and Sept 2009 positions in China. Informational meeting -Udall Park meeting room Dec 7, at 1:00 pm.

Beautiful Sterling **Silpada Design Jewelry**. www.mysilpada.com/kay_santarelli to view the catalog. Just in time for your Holiday Shopping. For more info or to order, call Kay at 615-4935.

Assistance League Thrift Shop is open Tuesday-Friday 10-4 and Saturday 10-2.. Donations taken @ 1307 N. Alvernon Way. For more info call 326-1585.

Speech Therapy: Licensed pediatric speech therapist. Immediate openings available. \$60/session. Contact Jennifer Olguin at 520-204-0275.

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Don Dockman, Investment Solutions Representative, COUNTRY® Financial, 1350 N Kolb Rd, Suite 120, Office: 520-298-9411, Fax: 520-298-9177, Cell: 520-668-7043.

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Michael T. Takerian, **Sunstreet Mortgage**, LLC, 6340 N Campbell Ave #140. Call Mike @ 520-547-4143, 520-906-2047, or 888-634-6399. mtakerian@sunstreetmortgage.com.

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If you would like to buy or sell **Avon**, contact: Debbie Rose @ 663-1798, or email: angel_rose@cox.net. I live in the Rita Ranch area and deliver all over Tucson.

Book a Nov or Dec wedding and receive a digital frame with your favorite photos. **Photo By Jen**, call Jen Ryder @ 990-8701, www.photobyjen.com. References available.

Sky Island Construction LLC, Log Cabins, Custom Homes, Additions, and Upgrades. AZ. R.O.C. 163522, BBB, Please Call Gregg Ferguson at 471-6322.

Love to sew, striving for quality projects? Want to start sewing and need a little help? Call Elizabeth Smith at 591-2255 or Elizabethfashion@msn.com. Certified Sewing Instructor.

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GREAT GIFT- 7ft. Connelly Pool Table, Rare Natural Mesquite Wood, complete, like new, \$2,500. **Wood bar and 4 swivel stools**, \$450 OBO. Call 250-5107 or 250-5109.

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Must Sell! New Wolff Sunquest Canopy 2000S Tanning Bed with 10 year warranty-\$1,000 OBO. Olympic Weight Tree (1,000 lb. capacity)-\$70. Hand Weights, 10 -40 lbs (sets in 5 lb increments) with stand-\$225. Call 520-574-2480 (leave msg).

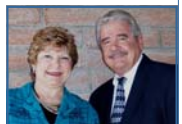
Treat yourself! Totally relaxing foot facial. Call Stephanie @ 808-4000, **Skin Appeal Spa**. Appointments 8am-8pm Mon-Sat. Recommended by Cheryl

Put our experience and expertise to work for you! Call **Cheryl Ledford** 520-529-5123, & **Dick Clark** 520-529-5120, at **Realty Executives of So AZ**, 6872 E Sunrise Dr. (Kolb and Sunrise).

Trattoria Pina, 5541 N Swan, 520-577-6992. "Mama Anna's Cranberry Cream Cake is a holiday special treat!. Don't forget Pina's family style catering." Cheryl and Dick

Bangkok Café, 2511 E Speedway Blvd, 520-323-6555. "Try the chicken dishes, they are all delicious." Terry and Nancy

Contact us at Ledford@comcast.net (or fax to 520-299-9351) with neighborhood news, garage sales, items for sale, recipes, household hints, and to recommend services, restaurants, or businesses. THERE IS NO CHARGE! We look forward to hearing from you! We cannot assume responsibility for the content of any ads, or quality of products and services offered here.



Recipe Corner

Want to share your favorite comfort food recipe? Send it to ledford@comcast.net.

Holiday Rum Cake Courtesy of Virginia Jean Jones serves 10
 18 oz yellow cake mix 1 small pkg instant vanilla pudding 1/2 cup water 1/2 cup rum 1/2 cup oil 4 eggs
 1 cup sugar 1/4 cup water 1/4 cup rum 1 stick oleo (butter) 1/2 cup raisins
 Blend dry cake mix, dry pudding mix, 1/2 cup water, 1/2 cup rum, oil and eggs for 2 minutes. Spray a bundt or tube pan with a non stick cooking spray. Bake in preheated 325° oven for an hour. Prepare hot sauce just before the cake is finished baking. In heavy frying pan heat 1 cup sugar, 1/4 cup water, 1/4 cup rum, oleo, and raisins. While stirring, boil mixture for 2 - 3 minutes. Remove cake from oven. While in pan, slowly pour hot sauce over cake and let the cake cool in the pan for 30 minutes before flipping onto cake plate. *

Breakfast Casserole Courtesy of Dick Clark serves 8
 1 lb mild Italian sausage 2 1/2 cups biscuit and baking mix 2 cups shredded Cheddar 6 eggs, beaten 1 cup milk 1 cup sour cream
 3 medium tomatoes, peeled and seeded, or 1 can (14 1/2 oz.) chopped tomatoes, drained well 3 tablespoons chopped fresh basil leaves
 Brown sausage in skillet over medium heat. Drain on paper towels. Place sausage in 13x9-inch baking dish coated with Pam. Combine biscuit mix with 1 cup cheese. In medium bowl combine eggs, milk, and sour cream. Stir into dry ingredients. Pour batter over sausage. In small bowl, combine tomatoes and basil, spoon over batter. Bake at 350° for 25 minutes or until golden brown. Sprinkle with remaining cheese, bake 2 to 3 minutes until cheese is melted. Serve hot. May prepare casserole ahead, cover and refrigerate up to 24 hours. Uncover and bake as directed. *

Cheese Strata Courtesy of Joyce Rothwell serves 8-10
 8 slices buttered French bread (no crust) 1 tsp salt 2 tsp dry mustard 1 lb shredded cheddar cheese 8 eggs 4 cups milk
 Place bread in 9"x13" pan. Sprinkle with salt, mustard, & cheese. Beat eggs add milk and pour over. Refrigerate overnight. Bake 1 hour at 350°. *

Homemade Cinnamon Rolls Courtesy of Cheryl Ledford makes 8-10 rolls
 1 loaf Bridgestone frozen bread dough 1 stick butter 1/3 cup cinnamon 1 cup confection sugar 1/2 TBSP milk 1/2 tsp vanilla
 Grease 9"x12" pan with butter. Rub loaf with softened butter, leave covered loaf to thaw and rise for 8 hours. Roll dough on lightly floured wax paper until thin. Sprinkle generously with sugar and cinnamon. Roll into a log and cut into 1" slices. Place in pan, cover and let rise until doubles. Spread softened butter on top of each roll and sprinkle with sugar and cinnamon. Bake 25-30 minutes @ 350°. Mix confection sugar, vanilla and pour over. *

Holiday Cheese Ball Courtesy of Debra Hoag serves many
 1/4 lb Bleu Cheese 12 oz cream cheese 1 small onion chopped 1 TBSP Worcestershire sauce 1 cup chopped pecans
 Mix all ingredients. Roll cheese ball in chopped pecans and refrigerate until served. *

Savory Turkey Brine Courtesy of Jenn Turner makes one turkey
 2 quarts vegetable stock 1/2 cup salt or 3/4 cup kosher or sea salt 1 TBSP each dried rosemary, dried sage, dried thyme 2 quarts cold water
 In large pot combine stock, salt, and herbs over medium heat. Simmer about 15 minutes, cool. Add cold water. Place turkey in cooler or large plastic container. Pour brine over top covering turkey completely. Cover and refrigerate 1 hour per pound of turkey. Rinse thoroughly, bake as usual. *

Homemade Cranberry Sauce Courtesy of Dick Clark serves 6-8
 1 bag fresh cranberries 1 1/2 cups sugar 2 TBSP orange zest 3 TBSP or more of Gran Marnier
 Bake cranberries, sugar, zest in covered dish for 1 hour at 300°. Remove from oven, add Gran Marnier and stir. Chill in refrigerator overnight. *

Potato Latkes Courtesy of Nancy Gordon makes 8-10 latkes
 4 peeled potatoes 1 onion, peeled & chopped fine 3 eggs salt and pepper 4 TBSP all purpose flour light olive oil garlic (optional)
 Shred or grate potatoes, place in cheese cloth and wring out moisture. Add onions, eggs, pepper, salt, and flour, mix well. Heat 1/2" oil in very heavy skillet over medium high heat. Place large spoon of potato mix into hot oil spacing 1/2" apart. Press down lightly with fork to form 3/8" thick pan-cakes. Brown on both sides, drain on paper towels. Serve with sour crème, apple sauce and a brisket w/ asparagus for a complete dinner! *

Cranberry Pecan Pie Courtesy of Astrid Slaton serves 8
 3 eggs 1 cup corn syrup 2/3 cup sugar 1/4 butter, melted 1 tsp vanilla extract 2 cups fresh cranberries 1 cup chopped pecans
 Mix everything except cranberries and pecans until well blended. Add cranberries and pecans and pour into 9" unbaked pie crust. Bake at 425° for 10 minutes. Reduce heat to 350° bake 35-40 minutes longer or until filling is almost set. Cover and refrigerate. *



What's the market like in Tucson?

The following data is only a source of information for homeowners. Equal Opportunity Housing. All information deemed reliable, but not guaranteed. For more information contact [Cheryl Ledford](mailto:Cheryl.Ledford@comcast.net) (520-202-5423) or [Dick Clark](mailto:Dick.Clark@comcast.net) (520-202-5424).

Homes Currently For Sale or Pending Through MLS in Tucson as of 11/30/08

List Price	\$ per sq ft	Address	Neighborhood	BR / BA	Sq Feet	Year Built	Pool
\$ 147,987	\$ 174.10	Residence on E. Calle Alegria	Monte Catalina Estates	2 / 2	850	2008	No
\$ 164,900	\$ 110.30	Residence on E. Paseo Juan Tabo	Hacienda Del Oro	3 / 2	1495	1997	No
\$ 234,900	\$ 114.36	Residence on E. La Palma Dr.	The West @ Rita Ranch	4 / 2	2054	1996	No
\$ 349,000	\$ 188.24	Residence on E. Woodgate Ln.	Hill Farm	3 / 2	1854	1982	Yes
\$ 399,000	\$ 108.37	Residence on E. Cienega Creek Dr.	Rancho Del Lago	4 / 3	3682	2005	No
\$ 799,900	\$ 297.80	Residence on N. Desert Breeze Ct.	Ventana Country Club Est.	3 / 3	2686	1994	No

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To addressee or current resident

Household Hints: Did You Know?

Submitted by Gilbert Alire

- Peel a banana from the bottom and you won't have to pick the little "stringy things" off of it. That's how the primates do it.
- Take your bananas apart when you get home from the store. If you leave them connected at the stem, they ripen faster.
- Store your opened chunks of cheese in aluminum foil. It will stay fresh much longer and not mold!
- Peppers with 3 bumps on the bottom are sweeter and better for eating.
- Peppers with 4 bumps on the bottom are firmer and better for cooking.
- Add a teaspoon of water when frying ground beef. It will help pull the grease away from the meat while cooking.
- To really make scrambled eggs or omelets rich, add a couple of spoonfuls of sour cream, cream cheese, or heavy cream in and then beat them up.
- For a cool brownie treat, make brownies as directed. Melt Andes mints in double broiler and pour over warm brownies. Let set for a wonderful minty frosting.
- Add garlic immediately to a recipe if you want a light taste of garlic and at the end of the recipe if you want a stronger taste of garlic.
- Chop up leftover Snickers Bars with the food chopper. Peel, core and slice a few apples. Place them in a baking dish and sprinkle the chopped candy bars over the apples. Bake at 350° for 15 min. Serve alone or with vanilla ice cream.
- Heat up leftover pizza in a nonstick skillet on top of the stove, set heat to med-low and heat till warm. This keeps the crust crispy. No soggy micro pizza.
- Easy Deviled Eggs-Put cooked egg yolks in a zip lock bag. Seal, mash till they are broken up. Add remainder of ingredients, reseal, keep mashing, mixing thoroughly. Cut the tip of the baggy, squeeze mixture into egg. Throw bag away.
- Expanding Frosting-When you buy a container of cake frosting from the store, whip it with your mixer for a few minutes You can double it in size. You get to frost more cake/cupcakes with the same amount with less sugar and calories.
- Reheating refrigerated bread-To warm biscuits, pancakes, or muffins that were refrigerated, place them in a microwave with a cup of water. The increased moisture will keep the food moist and help it reheat faster.
- Newspaper weeds away-Start putting in your plants, work the nutrients in your soil. Wet newspapers, put layers around the plants overlapping as you go cover with mulch and forget about weeds. Weeds will get through some gardening plastic they will not get through wet newspapers.
- Use a wet cotton ball or Q-tip to pick up the small shards of glass you can't see.
- Place a dryer sheet in your pocket. It will keep the mosquitoes away.
- To keep squirrels from eating your plants, sprinkle plants with cayenne pepper. The cayenne pepper doesn't hurt the plant and the squirrels won't come near it.
- To get something from under the fridge add an empty paper towel roll or empty gift wrap roll to your vacuum. It can be bent or flattened to get in narrow openings.
- Pin a small safety pin to the seam of your slip and you will not have a clingy skirt or dress. Same thing works with slacks that cling when wearing party hose.
- Place pin in seam of slacks and static is gone.
- Before you pour sticky substances into a measuring cup, fill with hot water. Dump out the hot water, but don't dry cup. Next, add your ingredient, such as peanut butter, and watch how easily it comes right out.
- Hate foggy windshields? Buy a chalkboard eraser and keep it in the glove box of your car. When the windows fog, rub with the eraser! Works better than a cloth!
- Reopening envelope-If you seal an envelope and then realize you forgot to include something inside, just place your sealed envelope in the freezer for an hour or two. Viola! It unseals easily.
- Conditioner-Use your hair conditioner to shave your legs. It's cheaper than shaving cream and leaves your legs really smooth. It's also a great way to use up the conditioner you bought but didn't like when you tried it in your hair.
- Goodbye Fruit Flies- take a small glass, fill it 1/2" with Apple Cider Vinegar and 2 drops of dish washing liquid; mix well. You will find those flies drawn to the cup and gone forever!
- Get Rid of Ants-Put small piles of cornmeal where you see ants. They eat it, take it "home," can't digest it so it kills them. It may take a week or so, especially if it rains, but it works and you don't have the worry about pets or small children being harmed!