

December 2019 Grounds Board Report 135 hours for December

Tuesday 12/03/19 18 hours

Bob Fillion, John Frederickson, Luis Rodriguez, John Kangas, Jack Zenz, Dick Bierman, Dawn Weber, Lee Blahnik and Jim Owen continued clean up volunteer weeds, dead branches and branches hanging on the ground. We hauled two loads to Points West. We left some issues for Friday that we can chip. There is probably some more trimming as we didn't touch the bank behind Blue Fox, but we did get the trees trimmed up along the Blue Fox wall down to John's place. We had a good morning and a Big Thank You to everyone. We thought 8:00 would be a good starting time for Friday.

Friday 12/6/19 20 hours

Mark Koruga, Bob Fillion, Bob Muldoon, Dick Bierman, Ron Bryant, Dave Koch, Brent Gordy, Lee Blahnik, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen spent the morning trimming trees in the Viva common area. Hauled two large trailer loads to the dumpster. More to do on Viva. Looks like there will be some chipping activities on Tuesday plus more trimming. A Big Thank You for all of your help.

Tuesday 12/10/19 18 hours

Mark Koruga and Bill Studer manned the chipper. Lee Blahnik, Cathy Roberts, Jack Zenz and Ron Bryant worked behind Blue Fox trimming and loading the trailer to keep the chipper busy. Gary Moe, Brent Gordy and Jim Owen began trimming low hanging branches and removing volunteer brush from the Viva common area. We had a good morning. A really Big Thank You for all of your hard work.

Friday 12/13/19 24 hours

Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, John Kangas, Luis Rodriguez, Ron Bryant, Dave Koch, Cathy Roberts, Dawn Weber, Brent Gordy, Gary Moe, Dick Bierman and Jim Owen spent the morning in the Rio Fuerte wash removing weeds and trimming trees. We have a big trailer load for Points West on Tuesday. It is amazing how much work we did in the wash. A really big THANK YOU for all of your help. We have a lot of chipping to do on Tuesday and probably some more trimming.

Tuesday 12/17/19 18 hours

Mark Koruga, Dawn Weber, Cathy Roberts, John Kangas, Ron Bryant, Dick Bierman, Luis Rodriguez, Lee Blahnik and Jim Owen spent a beautiful morning in the Rio Fuerte wash. Mark, Luis, Ron and Dick worked the chipper. John, Dawn, Cathy, Lee and Jim trimmed brush and loaded the trailer and took a load to Points West. More wash work Friday.

Friday 12/20/19 16 hours

WOW a really big day in the Rio Fuerte wash. Mark Koruga, Dick Bierman, Luis Rodriguez and Brent Gordy fed the chipper. Lee Blahnik, Cathy Roberts, Dave Koch and Jim Owen filled the trailer and did some trimming and cleaning up. It was a big morning and we got a lot done.

Tuesday 12/31/19 20 hours

WOW what a crew we had this morning. Mark Koruga, Ron Bryant and Luis Rodriguez ran the chipper all morning. Brent Gordy, Bill Studer, Cathy Roberts, Mike Seipel, Bob Fillion and Jim Owen began trimming and cleaning up on the other side. Lee and Brent took a big trailer load to the dumpster. More to do Friday. We will be back in the wash. A really Big Thank You for all of your help.

Jim Owen, Grounds Chair

2020 January Grounds Board Report Grounds crew volunteered 144 hours

1/3/2020 Friday 24 hours

WOW What a turn out. Back in the wash. Mark Koruga, Ron Bryant and Dick Bierman spent the morning feeding the chipper. Jim Owen and Lee Blahnik cleaned up the rest of the debris in the wash behind Sharon's house, trimmed up a tree branch that had fallen near the fountain and took two trailer loads to the dumpster. John Kangas, Dave Koch, Dawn Weber, Cathy Roberts, Brent Gordy, Bob Fillion and Gary Moe trimmed some trees and low hanging branches and kept the chipper crew busy.

1/7/2020 Tuesday 24 hours

Wow we had a big morning. Lee Blahnik, Denny Dahl, Brent Gordy, Tom Becker, Cathy Roberts, Melody Bieler, Dick Bierman, Ron Bryant, Mike Seipel, Bill Studer, Keith Smith and Jim Owen spent the morning trimming and cleaning up the wash. Lee hauled two trailer loads to Points West.

1/10/2020 Friday 16 hours

We had a good morning. Keith Smith, Ron Bryant and John Kangas spent the morning in the Rio Fuerte wash chipping. Lee Blahnik, Brent Gordy, Dawn Weber, Cathy Roberts and Jim Owen removed two large prickly pear issues. Topped off the dumpster and stored the rest nearby for Points West. Back to the wash and cleaned up the branches that couldn't be chipped added that to the dumpster pile and called it a day. A really big Thank You for all of your help. Vic Bignall picked up some equipment as we were leaving. He is trimming the tree issue by the water tower.

1/17/2020 22 hours

Lee Blahnik, Mark Koruga, Ron Bryant, Keith Smith, Bob Fillion, Cathy Roberts, Dawn Weber, Jay Messerschmidt, Mike Seipel, Tom Becker and Jim Owen spent the morning in the Rio Fuerte wash. Lots of trimming. Mark and Jim spent some time with Vic Bignall discussing trimming up by the water tower. Lee hauled 3 trailer loads up to the dumpster.

1/24/2020 Friday 26 hours

We spent the morning in the Nardos Common Area. Lee Blahnik, Brent Gordy, Ron Bryant, Larry Smith, Keith Smith, Mike Seipel, Dave Koch, Don Kelly, Dawn Weber, Tom Becker, Cathy Roberts, Melody Beiler and Jim Owen trimmed branches, volunteers, and oleanders. Larry Smith did most of the oleanders. Keith Smith and Dawn Weber spent the morning trimming up the two fallen trees on the rock wash. Chipping on Tuesday and a few trailer loads to Points West. Points West worked this Friday (missed Tuesday) and cleaned up all the debris at the dumpster. We had a huge morning. A really Big Thank You for all of your help.

1/28/2020 Tuesday 22 hours

A big morning in the Nardos common area. Keith Smith and Don Kelly ran the chipper. Brent Gordy, Larry Smith, John Kangas, Lee Blahnik, Bob Fillion, Dick Bierman, Ron Bryant, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen spent the morning trimming, snipping and loading the trailer. Lee and Larry took two loads to Points West. One load to the dumpster.

1/31/2020 Friday 10 hours

Keith Smith and Ron Bryant chipped up most of the debris on the North end of Nardos. Brent Gordy, Dawn Weber and Jim Owen trimmed up a couple of trees and loaded up the trailer and took a load up to the dumpster. Still more to do on Nardos. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help today.

Jim Owen, Grounds Chair

2020 February Grounds Board Report 156 volunteer hours

2/04/2020 Tuesday 22 hours

Keith Smith, Mike Mitchell ran the chipper. Larry Smith, Tom Becker, Bill Studer, Bob Fillion and Brent Gordy did some trimming and lopping and kept the chipper busy. Lee Blahnik, Dawn Weber, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen worked on the North side of the wash. Jim and Lee took down a problem tree (neighbor request) and took two loads to Points West. Pretty much finished up Nardos.

2/7/2020 Friday 12 hours

Lee Blahnik, Bob Fillion, Tom Becker, Gary Moe, Dick Bierman and Jim Owen spent the morning trimming and cleaning up the remains of the Nardos common Area. Couple more piles that need to be dealt with. Chipping or hauling away. We took two trailer loads to the dumpster. Pretty much through with any more trimming in the Nardos common area for a while. Still a couple of tree issues. Vic has been busy with trimming and he also cut up a bunch of firewood near the dumpster. We added to it today. A really Big Thank You for all of your help today.

2/14/2020 Friday 22 hours

Mark Koruga and Don Kelly spent the morning on the chipper. Mike Mitchell and Dave Koch did some tree trimming. Dawn Weber, Dick Beirman, Lee Blahnik, Gary Moe, Tom Becker and Jim Owen cleaned up and sprayed volunteer mesquite, palo verde and desert broom and kept the chipper going.

2/18/2020 Tuesday 22 hours

Mark Koruga, Keith Smith, Don Kelly, Mike Mitchell, John Kangas and Dick Bierman spent the morning in the wash trimming and feeding the chipper. Lee Blahnik, Tom Becker, Mike Seipel, Gary Moe and Jim Owen trimmed some trees on Solmos, Cristal and the fountain. We took 3 trailer loads to Points West and one load to the dumpster. We had a busy morning. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

2/21/2020 Friday 20 hours

We spent the morning in the wash. Mark Koruga, Dick Bierman and Mike Seipel spent the morning on the chipper, more chipping on Tuesday. Lee Blahnik, Curt Willyard, Cathy Roberts, Dawn Weber (thank you for the treats), Tom Becker, Dave Koch and Jim Owen trimmed up the bottle brush and volunteer mesquites and palo verde.

2/25/2020 Tuesday 22 hours

Bob Muldoon spent several hours in the Nature Park spraying for weeds, blowing off the Nature Path and tiding up the bench areas. Mark Koruga, Don Kelly, Mike Mitchel, Brent Gordy, Bill Studer and Bob Fillion finished up the chipping and trimming in the wash. Lee Blahnik, Dawn Weber, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen hauled several trailer loads out of the wash and gave them to Points West.

2/28/2020 Friday 26 hours

Bob Muldoon spent Thursday in the Nature Park weeding, spraying and blowing off the path. We spent the morning by the water tower. Mark Koruga, Mike Mitchell, and Don Kelly did the chipping. Dick Bierman, Lee Blahnik, Dave Koch, Cathy Roberts, Melody Bieler, Mike Seipel, Tom Becker, Bob Fillion, John Kangas and Jim Owen trimmed some trees, lopped some branches, fed the chipper and loaded a trailer load of debris and fire wood. A Really Big Thank You for all your help this morning.

Jim Owen, Grounds Chair

2020 April Grounds Board Report 121 hours for April

4/3/2020 Friday 16 hours

Mark Koruga and Keith Smith fed the chipper. Bill Studer, Dave Koch and Don Kelly trimmed up the branches and kept the chipper busy. Lee Blahnik, Brent Gordy and Jim Owen loaded the trailer and took a load up to the dumpster for Points West on Tuesday. We finished the wash this morning. We have other areas that needs to be chipped. Might do that Tuesday. A Big Thank You for all of your help.

4/7/2020 Tuesday 14 hours

We spent the morning in the Nature Park trimming and chipping. Mark Koruga ran the chipper. Tom Becker, Bob Fillion, Luis Rodriguez and Brent Gordy trimmed debris and helped Mark with the chipper. Lee Blahnik and Jim Owen trimmed up and loaded firewood. Brent gave us a hand also. We hauled a big load of firewood up to the shed. It was a good morning. Points West came in and picked up several piles of trimmings. That should reduce the piles we need to address on Friday. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

4/10/2020 Friday 14 hours

Mark Koruga, Tom Becker, Brent Gordy, Bob Fillion and Lee Blahnik trimmed, lopped, chopped and chipped the remaining piles of branches in the Nature Park. Don Kelly and Jim Owen worked on several irrigation lines and there is more to do with irrigation on Tuesday. We have a big leak up by the office to look at on Tuesday, also need clamps on one by the shed. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

4/14/2020 Tuesday 23 hours

Lots of work behind Blue Fox. John Frederickson worked with the weed wacker. Luis Rodriguez, Gary Moe, Tom Becker, Brent Gordy, Bob Fillion and Jim Owen did some trimming and loaded 2 trailer loads for Points West. Mark Koruga, Don Kelly, Lee Blahnik and Jim Owen finished the irrigation from the entrance south. Jan Koltun continues to maintain the exercise area on Cefiro. Lee Blahnik and Dick Bierman picked up a bench that Judy had just finished decorating in honor of Katrina, who was an assistant of Bob Steindorf. The bench was placed in the common area near the entrance to the walking trail off Fuerte, close to where Katrina used to live. After that they picked up a bench top from one of the common areas and took it back to the Biermans' for Judy to decorate. Then they went to Mike Kearns' house to salvage a barrel cactus that Mike wanted to donate for replanting in one of the common areas. Unfortunately the cactus was not healthy enough for transplant and had to be loaded onto the trailer with some Oleander limbs and branches that Mike had cut and went to Points West. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

4/17/2020 Friday 18 hours

Mark Koruga and Don Kelly worked on the irrigation behind Nardos. John Frederickson used the DR and removed the weeds behind Blue Fox. Lee Blahnik, Brent Gordy, Bob Fillion, Gary Moe, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen trimmed up some low hanging branches and removed some brush behind Blue Fox. Loaded the trailer for Points West and what we couldn't get on the trailer we stacked and Points West can pick it up on Tuesday. It was a busy morning. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

4/21/2020 Tuesday 22 hours

Don Kelly and Mark Koruga spent the morning on Nardos irrigation. Lee Blahnik, Mike Seipel and John Frederickson finished the Blue Fox clean up and gave Points West 4 trailer loads. Brent Gordy and Denny Dahl finished the chipping in the Rio Fuerte wash. Gary Moe and Jim Owen did some lopping and trimming for the chipper. Busy morning. A Really Big Thank You for all you do.

4/24/2020 Friday 14 hours

Busy morning. Don Kelly and Mark Koruga finished up the irrigation behind Nardos. The rest of us finished up behind Viva. John Frederikson and Tom Becker fed the chipper. Lee Blahnik, Brent Gordy and Jim Owen did some lopping and trimming and kept the chipper crew busy. What we couldn't chip we put in the trailer and took it up to the dumpster. Points West will clean that up for us on Tuesday. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

Jim Owen, Grounds Chair

2020 May Grounds Board Report

5/1/2020 Friday 12 hours

Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Brent Gordy, Don Kelly, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen trimmed a couple of trees and cleaned up some dead cactus at the Puma Peak entrance to the Nature Park. Took a trailer load to the dumpster and left a load for Points West on Tuesday. Lee and Jim planted a couple of cactus and did some watering at the Rio Fuerte entrance. Busy Morning. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

5/5/2020 Tuesday 20 hours

Busy Morning. Mark Koruga, Mike Mitchell, Tom Becker and Bob Fillion cleaned up a broken branch by Juanita's and gave it to Points West where Don Kelly, Lee Blahnik, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen were loading up Points West with some previous trimmings. Ron Sills mowed the Nature Path and Lee Blahnik and Bob Muldoon blew the path off. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

5/8/2020 Friday 16 hours

Busy morning in the Rio Fuerte wash. Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Bob Fillion, Mike Mitchell, Mike Seipel, Tom Becker, Don Kelly and Jim Owen trimmed up the desert broom growing along the Rio Fuerte path. Also cleaned up some volunteer mesquites that were getting in the way. We have a big trailer load for Points West on Tuesday. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

5/12/2020 Tuesday 10 hours

Don Kelly, Lee Blahnik, Tom Becker, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen took a Friday trailer load to Points West. Then we had a residents request to trim an intrusive cactus at the corner of Fonda and Golden Lynx. Bigger job than anticipated. Tom said we had a broken palo verde branch on the Nature Trail, so we took care of that issue. Took another trailer load to Points West, went back to the Rio Fuerte wash and hauled a load of fire wood to the shed and called it a day. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

5/15/2020 Friday 14 hours

Mark Koruga spent the morning spraying along the walking path in the Rio Fuerte wash. Lee Blahnik, Don Kelly, Bob Fillion, Tom Becker, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen Trimmed up some mesquites and dead cactus patches. Then the crew went over to the dog run in the Nature Park trimmed up some low hanging branches and called it a day. We have a big load for Points West Tuesday. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

5/19/2020 14 hours

Ron Sills took the weed wacker and trimmed the Nature Path. Don Kelly blew off the Nature Path. We took a big load of trimmings to Points West. Mark Koruga, Tom Becker and Don Kelly did some major cleanup on the Path. Mark and Lee Blahnik watered some of the plants at the Rio Fuerte entrance and Mike Seipel and Jim Owen trimmed up a big mesquite at the Rio Fuerte entrance. Loaded the trailer again and took it to Points West for one more load. We ran out of space and time, so we will be back to Rio Fuerte Friday, and at that time we can look at a couple of cactus Lee pointed out that needs cleanup. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

5/22/2020 Friday 10 hours

Mark Koruga and Lee Blahnik cleaned up some swallow nests at the entrance. In the Rio Fuerte wash Tom Becker cleaned up a huge cactus. Don Kelly pruned a big mesquite and Jim Owen trimmed up Don's pruning and loaded the trailer. Another big load for Points West on Tuesday. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

5/26/2020 Tuesday 12 hours

Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Mike Seipel, Bob Fillion, Don Kelly and Jim Owen had a busy Morning. We gave a Friday load to Points West. Mark and Jim took Manny to the Rio Fuerte wash and got the cactus issue on the way. Went to the water tower and cleaned up some of Mike's trimmings gave that to Points West. Then we went to the Nature Park behind Tom and Sandie's and cleaned up some trimmings and took that load up to the dumpster and called it a day. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

5/29/2020 Friday 10 hours

Mark Koruga, Mike Seipel, Don Kelly, Lee Blahnik and Jim Owen were back in the Nature Park finishing Tuesday's cleanup. We loaded up the firewood and took it up to the dumpster. There were also some low hanging palo verde and mesquite branches near the path which we removed. We will chip those branches on Tuesday. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

Jim Owen, Grounds Chair

2020 June Grounds Board Report (Grounds hours for June 70)

6/02/2020 Tuesday 10 hours

We were in the Nature Park. Mark Koruga and Don Kelly fed the chipper cleaning up our Friday trimmings. Mike Seipel, Lee Blahnik and Jim Owen finished the rest of the trimming, lopped up the rest of the branches kept the chipper and loaded up a trailer load for Points West. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

6/5/2020 Friday 7 hours

Mike Seipel did some trimming up by the water tower. Mark Koruga, Don Kelly and Mike manned the chipper and cleaned up the trimmings. Lee Blahnik and Jim Owen did some additional trimming and clean up. There is a nice trailer load for Points West on Tuesday. There is a little more to do. Maybe next month. Ron Sills wants to do some weed whacking on Tuesday so we will be in the Nature area. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

6/9/2020 Tuesday 12 hours

Ron Sills weed whacked the Nature Path and Don Kelly took the blower and cleaned up the whole Nature Path. Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Mike Seipel, Don Kelly and Jim Owen remove a bush and a damaged tree in Park 8. Took one load to Points West and Points West returned to Park 8 and cleaned up the rest of the trimmings. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

6/12/2020 Friday 10 hours

Mark Koruga, Mike Seipel, Lee Blahnik and Jim Owen spent most of the morning in the Nature Park. We trimmed some low hanging branches, removed some volunteer shoots and cleaned up some cactus. We finished the morning near the water shed cleaning up some of Mike's clippings. We have a big trailer load for Points West on Tuesday. It was a nice morning. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

6/16/2020 Tuesday 8 hours

Mark Koruga, Mike Seipel, Lee Blahnik and Jim Owen took a Friday trailer load to Points West. Mark stayed in Perry Park and trimmed up the pine trees. Mike, Lee and Jim took the trailer to the Nature Park and finished trimming the Palo Verde, then on to the Rio Furete wash and removed the broken mesquite branch and took another trailer load to Points West. On the way back to the shed Yvonne Denzer pointed out a tree issue in Park 6, so now we have another trailer load to chip on Friday. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

6/19/2020 Friday 8 hours

Busy morning. We dumped Tuesday's trailer load at the dumpster. Mark Koruga and Mike Seipel chipped up a couple of piles at the dumpster. Lee Blahnik and Jim Owen finished up the cleanup at the Rio Fuerte wash. We took one load up to the dumpster and we have one load for Points West on Tuesday. We have lots of good firewood up at the dumpster. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

6/23/2020 Tuesday 4 hours

Mark Koruga, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen had an easy morning, but we missed Lee. We took Friday's trailer load to Points West. Then we cleaned up Mike's trimmings around the water tower and took that load to Points West and called it a day. Mark wants to mow on Friday and we have some Nature Path trimming to do also. It will be a busy Friday morning. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

6/26/2020 Friday 8 hours

We had a busy morning. Mark Koruga spent the morning mowing in the Nature Park. Lee Blahnik, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen trimmed Larry's low hanging palo verde branches so people could walk on the side walk without having to push branches out of the way. We left a big pile for Points West to pick up on Tuesday. Then we went to the Nature Park and started cleaning up volunteers and low hanging branches. We have a trailer load for Points West and a big pile of trimmings to pick up. We will keep them busy on Tuesday. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

6/30/2020 Tuesday 4 hours

Lee Blahnik, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen had an easy morning. We took our trailer with Friday's trimming and went behind Bierman's and added to the trailer load and took it to Points West. That tree needs some more trimming or we are going to have more broken branches. Then we checked out the damaged wall at the corner of Wolf Run and Squirrel Run. We think we want to remove that wall. We trimmed up a bunch of low hanging branches behind that wall. Points West showed up and saved us loading the trailer. They picked up the other piles we had for them and we called it a morning. A Really Big Thank You for all of you help.

Jim Owen, Grounds Chair

2020 July Grounds Board Report The Grounds Crew put in 47 hours this month

7/3/2020 Friday 4 hours

Lee Blahnik, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen had an easy morning. Mike noticed the palo verde by the gate had some broken branches. So we spent the morning trimming up the palo verde. We also removed a dying palo verde on the bank and removed a mesquite volunteer growing under the fence. We will get Points West to pick up our trimmings on Tuesday. The bank looks a lot better. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

7/7/2020 Tuesday 5 hours

Lee Blahnik, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen started the morning trimming Larry's tree. We were going to head out to Dick Bierman's tree when Bob Muldoon told us about an irrigation leak at the Nature Park entrance off Wolf Run. Spent the rest of the morning locating the line and capping it off. We will work on that later. Bob blew off the Nature Path while we were locating the line. Warm morning. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

7/10/2020 Friday 4 hours

Lee Blahnik, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen trimmed up the palo verde off Puma Peak. We spent about an hour to get it cleaned up. We have a big trailer load for Points West on Tuesday. A Really Big Thank You for all you do.

7/14/2020 Tuesday 5 hours

Ron Sills spent the morning weed whacking on the Nature Path. Bob Muldoon will blow the path off Wednesday morning. Lee Blahnik, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen trimmed up some more branches on the palo verde behind Dick Bierman's place. We took the trailer load to Points West and then we loaded up some water and watered the plants in the Rio Fuerte entrance to the Nature Park. We still have a water issue at the Nature Park entrance off Wolf Run. A Really Big Thank You for all you do.

7/17/2020 Friday 5 hours

Lee Blahnik, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen spent the morning at the entrance to the Nature Park. Stopped the leak. Then we cleaned up a bunch of dead cactus and loaded the trailer for Points West. Then we went over to Nardos and talked to Eric about the tree. Maybe we will get that next week. A Really Big Thank You for all you do.

7/21/2020 Tuesday 5 hours

Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen checked the irrigation to the Nature Park off Wolf Run then we picked up the broken branches from the Palo Verde behind Dick's place. Took our trailer load to Points West, checked out Eric's tree, made some plans for Friday and called it a day. A Really Big Thank You for all you do.

7/24/2020 Friday 5 wet hours

Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik and Jim Owen spent an hour removing that big Agave and pups on Rio Fuerte. Then we went to Squirrel Run and dropped that big yucca trimmed it up and left it for Points West as our trailer was full of Agave. Lee planted three Agave pups at the entrance to the Nature Park off Wolf Run and we called it a day. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

7/28/2020 Tuesday 6 hours

Mark Koruga, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen spent the morning in Park 2 off Wolf Run. We started cleaning up each island. Getting rid of a lot of pups and dead cactus. We just got a start today and we will spend some more time on Friday. A Really Big Thank You for everyone's help today.

7/31/2020 Friday 8 hours

Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen were back in Park 2. We have almost finished the first 6 islands. There is a pesky agave that we want to remove probably on Tuesday. If things go well we should be able to finish Park 2 on Tuesday. The last 3 islands don't appear to be overgrown. We have a big trailer load for Points West on Tuesday and we have a few piles in the Park for them also. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

Jim Owen, Grounds Chair

2020 August Grounds Board Report 77 Tuesday-Friday volunteer hours

8/4/2020 Tuesday 12 hours

Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen spent the morning cleaning up. Mark and Lee took a trailer load to Points West. Jim and Mike trimmed up Gary's tree. Then we went over to Nardos by the wall and cleaned up Vic's trimmings which we gave to Points West. They finished the cleanup. Vic left us 4 big trailer loads. Busy morning. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

8/7/2020 Friday 10 hours

Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Mike Seipel, Ron Bryant and Jim Owen spent most of the morning in Park 2. We had a century plant that was blocking the sidewalk on Erranle which we took care of and then proceeded to Park 2. There were a lot of pups and other debris that had taken over some of the islands. We were able to get everything back to almost the original design. It looks a lot better and we have had some people thanking us for cleaning it up. We have a big trailer load for Points West on Tuesday. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

8/11/2020 Tuesday 5 hours

Mark Koruga, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen had an easy warm morning. We marked a bunch of cactus in Park 7 (Florida). We went to Perry Park to unload our trailer and couldn't find Points West. So we went to Park 17 (Encino) and trimmed up some low hanging branches. We found Points West on Nardos and unloaded our trailer. Saw Miguel about some rocks and called it a day. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

8/14/2020 Friday 11 hours

Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Mike Seipel, Ron Sills, Bob Muldoon and Jim Owen put in another warm morning. Mark repaired some cracks in the stucco on the shed and then he mowed behind Vic's. Lee, Mike and Jim spent the morning in Park 7 (Florida) marking cactus, removing pups and Birds of Paradise. Ron spent the morning weed whacking and cleaning up the Nature Path. Bob Muldoon blew off the Nature Path after Ron finished. Bob and Jim put a new chain on one of the 170A and we called it a day. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

8/18/2020 Tuesday 10 hours

Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Ron Bryant, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen and Points West spent the morning in Park 7 (Florida) trimming up Birds of Paradise and many different types of cactus. We gave Points West a big trailer load this morning. We loaded up a big trailer load for the dumpster and left a few piles for Points West. The pack rats won't like it. We will be back there Friday. A Really Big Thank You for all you do.

8/21/2020 Friday 8 hours

Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen enjoyed another warm Arizona morning. Mark spent the morning cleaning and organizing the shed. Lee, Mike and Jim worked on Park 7 (Florida) trimming Birds of Paradise and different forms of cactus. This time we left everything for Points West. We got a lot done but there is more to do. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

8/25/2020 Tuesday 8 hours

Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen spent the morning in Park 7 with Points West continuing to clean up the cactus and Birds of Paradise.

8/28/2020 Friday 8 hours

Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen spent the morning in Park 7. We continued to trim up the cactus, and other desert plants. We have a few more sessions before we can move onto Park 6, which is on Cristal. We hauled a trailer load to the dumpster and left a bunch for Points West. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

Jim Owen, Grounds Chair

2020 September Grounds Board Report 94 grounds hours

9/1/2020 Tuesday 10 hours

Ron Sills joined us this morning and mowed the Nature Path. Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen continued to trim and remove cactus in Park 7 (Florida). We took a big load of cactus pods to the dumpster. What we couldn't put in our trailer Points West removed the remainder of the Cactus trimming and cleaned up the area. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help today.

9/4/2020 Friday 10 hours

Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Ron Bryant, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen spent the morning back in Park 7. We are probably half done. Trimmed up a bunch of cactus and cholla. We removed some smaller cactus and we decided to leave our trimmings for Points West. We will help them load it up on Tuesday and do some more trimming. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

9/8/2020 Tuesday 8 hours

Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Mike Seipel, and Jim Owen spent the morning cleaning up cactus in Park 7. Mark, Mike and Jim loaded up our trailer and then we helped Points West load up their trailer. Lee took the pole saw and cleaned up a big cholla. We will be back to Park 7 on Friday. Mark wants to mow in front of the wall near the entrance. So we may have to take a walk along the frontage road to check for debris before we bring up the big mower. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

9/11/2020 Friday 10 hours

Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Mike Seipel, Ron Bryant and Jim Owen spent the morning on the frontage road. Mark mowed, Lee ran the weed whacker along the wall. Mike, Ron and Jim trimmed up some agaves cleaned up some debris, sprayed some weeds. Took a load to the dumpster and called it a day. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

9/15/2020 Tuesday 14 hours

Ron Sills mowed the Nature Path. Bob Muldoon blew off the path after Ron finished mowing. Mark Koruga spent the morning repairing an irrigation issue. Lee Blahnik, Ron Bryant, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen worked with Points West trimming up some more cactus in Park 7 (Florida). A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

9/18/2020 Friday 10 hours

Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Brent Gordy, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen spent the morning at the entrance checking and repairing irrigation lines and watered some stressed plants. Still a little left to do. We also cleaned up Vic's mesquite trimmings and we have a big load for Points West on Tuesday. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

9/22/2020 Tuesday 12 hours

Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Ron Bryant, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen spent the morning on Park 7 (Florida) trimming cactus. Points West cleaned up our trimmings.

9/25/2020 Friday 8 hours

Mark Koruga worked on the irrigation behind Nardos. Lee Blahnik, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen trimmed up some more cactus in Park 7. More to do. Big load for Points West on Tuesday. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

9/29/2020 Tuesday 12 hours

Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Bob Muldoon, Mike Seipel, Bob Fillion and Jim Owen along with Points West spent the morning in the Florida Park. We trimmed up and removed a bunch of cactus. We took a load to the dumpster and gave the rest to Points West. More to do in the Florida Park.

Jim Owen, Grounds Chair

2020 October Grounds Board Report We had 106 grounds hours.

10/2/2020 14 hours

Mark Koruga spent the morning mowing in the Nature Park. Lee Blahnik, Bob Muldoon, Bob Fillion, Mike Seipel, Ron Bryant and Jim Owen spent the morning in Park 7 (Florida). We removed some cactus and trimmed up a bunch. Ron used his truck to remove a couple of big roots. More of the same on Tuesday. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

10/9/2020 Friday 12 hours

Mark Koruga, Bob Muldoon, Bob Fillion, Lee Blahnik, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen cleaned up a couple of dead cactus on Golden Lynx and Heroe. Spent the rest of the morning at the entrance cleaning up a bunch of cactus pups and working of the irrigation issues. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

10/13/2020 Tuesday 12 hours

Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Bob Muldoon, Bob Fillion, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen had a busy morning. First off we took two really nice benches that Mike had bought and placed them along the path between the Springs and the Greens. Then we went to the Rio Fuerte wash and took a trailer load of cactus and cholla trimmings that Sharon Toborg had trimmed up for us. We gave that load to Points West. Then Mark, Bob and Lee went back to the wash and took another trailer load to the dumpster. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

10/16/2020 Friday 10 hours

Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Bob Fillion, Mike Seipel and Jim Owen had a pretty easy morning. We cleaned up some more of Sharon's cactus. One huge trailer load and 5 garbage cans and loaded up the dumpster. We will give Points West the rest on Tuesday. We will probably have another load behind Sharon's on Tuesday. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

10/20/2020 Tuesday 12 hours

Lee Blahnik, Bob Muldoon, Dick Bierman, Mike Seipel, Sharon Toburg and Jim Owen remove an agave from the entrance and took a load of cactus to Points West. Then we removed some more of Sharon's cactus trimmings and took that to Points West also. We hauled 3 trailer loads of cactus trimmings behind Sharon's and Points West took all of the loads. We may be back there on Friday. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

10/23/2020 Friday 12 hours

Lee Blahnik, Bob Muldoon, Dick Bierman, Mike Seipel, Sharon Toburg and Jim Owen spent the morning in the Rio Fuerte wash behind Sharon's. Trimmed up a bunch of cholla's and cactus. We have a big trailer load for Points West on Tuesday. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

10/27/2020 Tuesday 14 hours

Bob Muldoon, Lee Blahnik, Dick Bierman, Mike Seipel, Carl Olsen, Sharon Toborg and Jim Owen gave a trailer load of cactus to Points West. Spent the morning in the Rio Fuerte wash removing more of Sharon's cactus trimmings. We took several trailer loads to Points West and asked Points West to spend a little time in the wash also. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

10/30/2020 Friday 20 hours

Mark Koruga, Bob Muldoon, Lee Blahnik, Dick Bierman, Mike Seipel, Bob Fillion, Ron Bryant, Carl Olsen, Sharon Toborg and Jim Owen spent the morning in the Rio Fuerte wash behind Sharon's. Trimmed some more cholla's and cactus. Big trailer load for Points West. More to do Tuesday. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

Jim Owen, Grounds Chair

2020 November Grounds Board Report 143 hours of volunteer work

11/3/2020 Tuesday - 16 hours

Mark Koruga, Bob Muldoon, Lee Blahnik, Dick Bierman, Carl Olsen, Mike Seipel, John Kangas and Jim Owen spent the morning behind the wall on Golfista. We answered residents' complaints. We removed tumbleweeds, removed some volunteer trees and trimmed a tree. Points West finished cleaning up for us. We had a good morning. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

11/6/2020 Friday - 23 hours

Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Bob Muldoon, Bob Fillion, Ron Bryant, Dave Koch, Mike Seipel, Sharon Toborg, Dick Bierman, and Jim Owen spent the morning behind Sharon's in the wash. Took two big trailer loads to the dumpster. On Tuesday we will get Points West involved and maybe we can come close to finishing it up. Today (Saturday) the big cactus up at the office blew over. Bob Muldoon, Dick Bierman and Jim Owen chopped it up, pushed it out of the way and saved it for Points West. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

11/10/2020 Tuesday - 18 hours

Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Bob Muldoon, Bob Fillion, Dick Bierman, Mike Seipel, John Kangas, Sharon Toborg and Jim Owen had a busy morning. First thing we helped Points West load the cactus that fell down at the office that we cut up on Saturday. Then we went to the Rio Fuerte wash and continued to trim cholla's and cactus and load up the trailer with Sharon's trimmings. We took two trailer loads to Points West. We have more to do on Friday. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

11/13/2020 Friday - 20 hours

Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Bob Muldoon, Bob Fillion, Dick Bierman, Sharon Toborg, John Kangas, Mike Seipel, Dave Koch and Jim Owen had a busy morning. Mark made a couple of trips to the store getting some plant issues resolved and worked on the entrance irrigation issue. The rest of us removed a volunteer tree from Park 8. Then we spent the rest of the morning working in the Rio Fuerte Wash. We have a trailer load for Points West on Tuesday and some trimmings at the dumpster they need to get also. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

11/17/2020 Tuesday - 16 hours

Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Bob Muldoon, Dick Bierman, John Kangas, Mike Seipel, Sharon Toborg and Jim Owen spent another morning in the Rio Fuerte wash. We took 3 trailer loads to Points West and 1 to the dumpster. Busy morning. We have at least one more big morning in the wash. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

11/20/2020 Friday - 16 hours

Mark Koruga, Dick Bierman and Bob Muldoon did the semi-annual agave treatment throughout the Springs. Lee Blahnik, Mike Seipel, Dave Koch, Bill Studer (welcome back) and Sharon Toborg spent the morning in the Rio Fuerte Wash. Dave and Bill weed whacked the weed growth, Lee, Mike and Sharon trimmed trees, cactus and chollas on the bank. A Big Thank You to Russ and Cindy Misiewicz who provided delicious doughnuts and rolls. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

11/24/2020 Tuesday 18 hours

Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Mike Mitchell, Dawn Weber, Bob Muldoon, Sharon Toborg, Mike Seipel, Dick Bierman and Jim Owen spent the morning in the Rio Fuerte wash. Trimmed some trees, chollas, cactus and pack rat nests. Several loads to Points West and a big load for the dumpster on Friday. Back in the wash on Friday. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

11/27/2020 Friday 16 hours

Mark Koruga, Lee Blahnik, Dawn Weber, Bill Studer, Bob Muldoon, Dick Bierman, Dave Koch and Jim Owen spent the morning in Park 6 off Cristal trimming and marking cactus and cholla getting ready for removal. Ruben maintenance will be removing everything on Wednesday morning and placing it in our 30 yd. Dumpster. A Really Big Thank You for all of your help.

James Owen, Grounds Chair