

Devil in the details

I don't speak for senior citizens, but I'm a senior citizen. I don't speak for the Apache Wells Homeowners Association, but I'm a member, I don't speak for the Apache Wells Country Club, I'm not a member.

My wife and I bought in Apache Wells in 1990 because the people were so nice and kept their property in excellent condition. It was a place to spend our retirement years and grow old together. Now it's neighbors fighting neighbors, all because the country club needs a new pro shop. Nowhere have I heard, either in the arguments or in your newspaper, what happened to the maintenance for 40 years? Now the country club wants the homeowners association to purchase their property, build them a new building, pay for future upkeep and then they pay only \$1 a year for the privilege.

The proposition: HOA members are asked to tax themselves \$8.5 million — for the purchase of property owned by the country club. Nothing about giving the country club \$700,000 to do whatever. As with so many financial dealings, the devil is in the details.

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