## **LIGHTING**

## SCW homeowners make a change for safety

## Local resident designs new product

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LED lighting for house numbers should be an easy fix, but a Sun City West HOA and business owner realized this was not the case.

Dale Bisbee is Starniner HOA president and said the idea was sparked when his neighbor Chuck Wooley's son Larry Wooley replaced the street number sign on the home and made a significant change.

"For years we have been trying to replace the original bulbs with something brighter. The hardware stores only carried the regular incandescent bulbs," he explained. "We bought four, installed them and the light was just as dim."

Mr. Bisbee said HOA officials approached the 34 units in the HOA and requested inspection of the newly installed lights. From there, Handyman Now, 13211 W. Desert Glen Drive, and owners Larry and Tia Wooley, began a two-week installation period.

"This is a safety issue, we believe, as now you can read the street numbers from the middle of the road at night," he added.



Larry Wooley is at the ready for Handyman Now services to help Sun City West residents. [Jennifer Jimenez/Independent Newsmedia]

Eric Kriwer, Arizona Fire & Medical Authority deputy chief, explained the addition of anything to enhance visibility to a home is helpful. However, it is computer-aided mapping that is used to locate an emergency.

Mr. Wooley designed a kit that left out rewiring and simply installed to the LED. It is six times as bright and uses only two watts versus the 28 watts needed for a traditional bulb. He said the existing wiring is used from the doorbell and the transformer used for

the doorbell. There is a twoyear warranty on the parts and labor with five years on bulbs.

"We were shocked no one else has come up with this. So we applied for a patent. It took me a bit to figure it out due to voltage issue, but I got it," he explained. "We have done a little more than 60 homes through HOAs and done several independent people who contact us and just want it done on their own. We do offer a discount to HOAs. The cost for one in-

dividual is \$60 and \$37.50 for 10 or more, which is when the discount applies."

Mr. Wooley designed his own kit with a new wiring harness, anchors, hardware and two bulbs that are imported. The Handyman Now family-owned business has been working since 2019.

Mr. Wooley said Handyman Now is offering a special for homeowners that includes HVAC air filter replacement every other month for \$125.

Looking ahead, the Starniners HOA does not have

any improvement projec planned. The majority of tl citrus trees with the bounda ies were trimmed and whe fall approaches the ash tre will be trimmed as well. For now, the focus remains a maintaining green graand repairing and replaing sprinkler system par as needed.

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