

The UUCWI Gallery of Art *presents* **Border - No Wall: Seeing for Ourselves**

A photo journal exhibit

UUCWI members Paula and Tim Keohane, along with a few family members and friends, decided to see for themselves, on horseback, what the Mexico/USA border looked like - away from the cities, the highways, and frequented trails. What they found on their journey, displayed in this exhibit through photographs, short stories, a few maps and other artifacts that illustrate what is happening along the border, surprised them and renewed, perhaps validated, their conviction that "The Wall," as proposed by the Trump Administration, is both inadequate and unnecessary.



Tim Keohane



Paula Keohane

In Paula's words: *"I wanted to see for myself what the border with Mexico was like - the land - the people away from the cities, the highways, and frequented trails. We loaded up 2 horses and 3 dogs and headed for AZ in our RV/horse trailer. We wandered here and there, driving as far as we could on roads before saddling up and riding on trails, then cross country to see what is happening right at the border, away from the usual*

spots talked about so much on TV. Mostly I saw land being well cared for on both sides of the border. Border fences suitable for the landowners on both sides of the border allow wildlife to pass through and ranchers to keep livestock on their home range. The people who live along the border go about their lives normally. They are the 'same people' on both sides of the border."



UUCWI members May-Britt and John Kron will complement Paula and Tim's photographic story with a selection of artifacts that tell a bit of the story they are experiencing as volunteers for "The Green Valley-Sahuarita Samaritans" during the winter months they spend in Green Valley, Arizona. The mission of the Samaritans is to save human lives in the Southern Arizona desert by providing water, food, and first aid to migrants in these Arizona-Sonora borderlands.

Paula and Tim are happy to answer questions at an opening reception Sunday, November 12, 11:00am - 12:30pm.

Located in the UUCWI entrance foyer, the gallery has no regular hours but artwork can be viewed at events and meetings in the building. Phone 360-321-8656.