

# **The Sonora Homeowner**

**Official Newsletter** 

## Summer 2022 (June – August) Sonora HOA Board Members

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The next meeting of our Neighborhood Watch Teams will be held on Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> at 15328 W. Via Montoya, SCW – home of Steve and Brenda Melcher. The meeting will start at 10:00 a.m. and end at approximately 11:30 a.m. We will have an update on the status of our Watch Area coverage and note

changes in team participation. Our Spring Newsletter included a **request for volunteers** – **especially for Arzon and Domingo** streets. If you are a year-round resident on one if these streets, please consider serving on a Watch Team. The role of a team member is not difficult and it can be rewarding to both the members and their neighbors! If you are interested, contact President Jeannette Oliver (<u>hoajoliverscw@gmail.com</u>) or Secretary Brenda Melcher (<u>hoabrendascw@gmail.com</u>) for details.

## \*\*\* 2022 Sonora HOA Board Meeting\*\*\*

The next regular meeting of the HOA Board will be on Nov. 3 (Thursday) at the RH Johnson Rec. Center Lecture Hall at 1:30 p.m. The agenda will include a proposed budget for 2023 for comments and Board approval, Committee Updates. Homeowners will have an opportunity to address the Board.

# Your HOA Needs You



We have had numerous new home owners move into our HOA area during the past couple of years as the high demand, low interest rates and the beautification of our homes through the paint project made this a prime market for real estate sales.

Over the years, we have had so many of our neighbors participate on our various committees, help to plan community-wide activities, and serve on the HOA Board. Some of these neighbors have done this for many years. As we have turnover in home ownership, we are always hopeful that new residents will have a similar dedication to keeping a safe and well-maintained neighborhood and the same interest in keeping our fees reasonable. This is always the product of many people's willingness to volunteer. Please reflect on your own ability to contribute as you read the list below of opportunities that are currently needing participation.

- 1. Serve on the Nomination Committee to seek out the next leaders for your HOA. This committee answers questions and identifies potential candidates. It then collects general information to help introduce these candidates to the residents before the election. This committee officially begins its work in October and ends in December with a slate of candidates to be introduced in the winter newsletter. The formal election process will begin with the mailing of ballots in February, 2023 and end with counting of ballots at the March 2023 Meeting.
- 2. Indicate an interest in serving as one of the HOA Board Members for seats that will become open this year. Now is the opportunity for you to consider supporting your community in a new way! The Board oversees the adherence to the bylaws, rules and regulations of the HOA, maintenance of the front yard landscapes, pest control, paint projects cycles and responds to questions from the HOA membership. Unless completing a term for a Board member who has needed to resign, terms are for a period of three years.

## **Reminders:**



The HOA is responsible for maintenance of the landscape in only the front and side yards of your home. If you have an issue with this area, please contact Karen Smith (hoakaren3@gmail.com) or Jim DeWitt (jandmdewitt@yahoo.com) and it will be addressed as soon as possible. If there is an irrigation problem, if trees get damaged by wind or other issues occur in the back yard, this is the homeowner's responsibility.



Tride and True provides regular outside pest control applications through a contract with the HOA. If you have bees or suspect termites, you should contact them (or another company of your choice) directly for any work to remove them. The homeowner will have to pay for extermination of these pests.

## **\*\*\*POLITICAL ELECTION NOTES\*\*\***



Another Election Day is quickly approaching. Below are some relevant excerpts from **Arizona Revised Statute 33-1808** that guide our HOA.

#### 33-C. 1808. Flag display; political signs; caution signs; for sale, rent or lease signs; political activities; definition

A. Notwithstanding any provision in the community documents, an association shall not prohibit the outdoor front yard or backyard display of any of the following:

1. The American flag or an official or replica of a flag of the United States army, navy, air force, marine corps or coast guard by an association member on that member's property if the American flag or military flag is displayed in a manner consistent with the federal flag code (P.L. 94-344; 90 Stat. 810; 4 United States Code sections 4 through 10).

- 2. The POW/MIA flag.
- 3. The Arizona state flag.
- 4. An Arizona Indian nations flag.
- 5. The Gadsden flag.

B. The association shall adopt reasonable rules and regulations regarding the placement and manner of display of the American flag, the military flag, the POW/MIA flag, the Arizona state flag or an Arizona Indian nations flag. The association rules may regulate the location and size of flagpoles, may limit the member to displaying not more than two flags at once and may limit the height of the flagpole to not more than the height of the rooftop of the member's home but shall not prohibit the installation of a flagpole in the front yard or backyard of the member's property.

C. Notwithstanding any provision in the community documents, an association shall not prohibit the indoor or outdoor display of a political sign by an association member on that member's property, except that **an association may prohibit the display of political signs as follows:** 

**1.** Earlier than seventy-one days before the day of a primary election.

2. Later than fifteen days after the day of the general election.

3. For a sign for a candidate in a primary election who does not advance to the general election, later than fifteen days after the primary election.

D. An association may regulate the size and number of political signs that may be placed on a member's property if the association's regulation is not more restrictive than any applicable city, town or county ordinance that regulates the size and number of political signs on residential property. If the city, town or county in which the property is located does not regulate the size and number of political signs on residential property. If the city, the association shall not limit the number of political signs, except that **the maximum aggregate total dimensions of all political signs on a member's property shall not exceed nine square feet.** 



## PEST CONTROL SCHEDULE

Tride and True Pest and Termite Control, LLC.

When they come, they **will spray in the back if the gate is unlocked**. They will ring the doorbell and ask if you want the garage sprayed. **Garage spraying** is included in this contract. If you want the **interior** sprayed, they will do that **for a fee of \$5.** Their schedule is:

\*Lots 1 - 92 Second Monday at 1:00 p.m. \*Lots 93-182 Fourth Monday at 1:00 p.m.

## GARBAGE SCHEDULE

Garbage picked up **Monday and Thursday** mornings - early. On major holidays, collections delayed one day.

## RECYCLE SCHEDULE

Recycle is picked up the **first and third Wednesdays** each month. When there are five Wednesdays in the month (as in November), there is no pickup on that fifth Wednesday.

## FRONT YARD MAINTENANCE

Maintenance workers arrive **Tuesday mornings** as follows:

\*1st Tuesday: Zone 1 (lots 1 - 45) \*2nd Tuesday: Zone 2 (lots 71-115) \*3rd Tuesday: Zone 3 (lots 61-70 and 116-150 \*4th Tuesday: Zone 4 (lots 46-60 and 151-182