

# The Sonora Homeowner

Official Newsletter

# Fall 2023 Sonora HOA Board Members

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#### LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

The board has been actively engaged with our landscape company to address the needs of the community. We share the following outline plan from Armin & Sons as to what they will be working on in the following months:

#### **Starting in October through February:**



**October** is a month (especially this year) when plants should be allowed to respond to the cooler weather and shorter days. Typically, this month there is very little hedge trimming. Plants that flower, Oleander, Sage, Fairy Duster, and The Tecoma (orange, yellow, etc.) will put out their last blooms this time of the year. Pruning back the stressed plants will not help the response time or force them to come back any faster.

**November**, depending on the weather, is usually the last hurrah for the blooming plants. Again, this is not a good time to cut plants way back. If plants are mostly on the dead side they will be removed, but just normal hedge trimming will suffice.

**December** brings colder weather and the trees start losing their leaves and some plants may become sensitive to the cold. All frost-sensitive plants should be pruned way back by the "Book" in mid-March but we have found that mid-February should be fine. The rock spreading is being done in December as has been done in the past. All other maintenance activity is suspended for the trade-off. If Sonora decides the rejuvenation pruning for the Sage is to be done, the months of **January, February, and March** will be used.



# \*\*\* Next Sonora HOA Board Meeting\*\*\*

The next regular meeting of the HOA Board will be on Thursday, Nov. 9, 2023 at the Kuentz Rec. Center, Room Kiva #5, at 1:30 p.m. The agenda will include a proposed budget for 2024 for comments and Board approval and Committee Updates. Homeowners will have an opportunity to address the Board.

### \*\*\*Other Meetings\*\*\*

Friday, January 12, 2024 starting at 1:30 p.m. at the RH Johnson Lecture Hall – HOA Board Meeting. Friday, March 8, 2024, starting at 1:30 p.m. at the RH Johnson Lecture Hall – This will be a Homeowners meeting followed immediately afterward by an HOA Board meeting.

# HOA BOARD REQUESTS SUPPORT FOR WEBSITE

Currently, our website is in need of an update! With the change in Board members since last year, there is now a critical need for someone with computer skills to help maintain the information on our website. This is a very important communication avenue to reach our residents and it is important that the information is current. If you have any experience in this area, please contact Jeannette Oliver to offer your assistance.

#### **BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED**

Your HOA Board is currently functioning with four members. This will be addressed at the November 9 meeting. If any resident has an interest in supporting the HOA community in this manner, please contact Jeannette Oliver, Bill Jahn, Karen Smith or Barb Bruno to discuss options.

## **Attention All Pet Owners:**



If you are walking your pets in public areas, please be sure you are adhering to the county leash laws. In addition, please be considerate of your neighbors and PICK UP AFTER YOUR

PET. Alternatives to walking your pets in subdivisions would be to take them to the dog parks or walk them at the dead-end area of Deer Valley.





**ENJOY THE AUTUMN!** 

#### **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 \$10. 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