



CARRIAGE TRAILS HITCHING POST

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The Newsletter of the Carriage Trails Homeowners Association

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ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting was held on April 12th, 2012. The only applications received for the board of directors were received from the existing board members, so all were re-elected to serve for another year.

Concerns that were expressed at the annual meeting, or via e-mail are listed and discussed in the following portion of this newsletter.

VEHICLE SPEEDS

We still have neighborhood "speed demons" who need to be reminded that the speed limit in our community is 25 MILES PER HOUR. Carriage Trails has no sidewalks, and also has streets that make frequent turns. Since there aren't really any places to walk or for children to play, other than in the streets, it is really important that everyone who drives in the community drive slowly and is constantly on the lookout for people walking with or without their dogs and kids playing. Please take it slowly and be on the lookout for walkers, and also alert anyone you know who will be driving in our community to do the same. The health and safety of our residents depend on it.

DOGS

A lot of us own dogs, there is truly no better companion. However lately, there have been a number of dogs in the community that are not on a leash and there has also been a proliferation of dog droppings, both in the NAOS and on homeowner's lots. Both the city and the county require any domestic pet to be on a leash when off the owner's property and picking up after your dog is also a requirement. Allowing your dog to run off leash exposes them to the many dangers in the desert, including snakes, Javelina, and coyotes, not to mention all the plants with thorns.

We appreciate those homeowners who follow these rules and would hope that everyone would do the same as a courtesy to all other

homeowners, if not for the safety and welfare of your own pet.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Anyone interested in forming a Neighborhood Watch please contact one of the board members or the property manager.

In the mean time, our best defense against crime is to be vigilant and look out for each other. Please be on the watch for suspicious activity in our subdivision and contact the police if you are concerned. Get to know your neighbors and look after each other's houses when your neighbors are away.

RESIDENTIAL BRUSH REMOVAL

Please remember that the City of Scottsdale has enacted a Brush/Bulk Trash Collection Ordinance asking residents not to place bulk or brush items out for collection more than two weekends (or nine days) prior to the Monday of the scheduled pick-up. The purpose of this Ordinance is to alleviate blight in our neighborhoods. With this thought in mind, the Association is asking homeowners to not place bulk/brush items in front of your property any sooner than 9 days before the scheduled pick-up.

Visit the following for the schedule:

<http://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/recycle/brushmap>

If you need to remove debris outside of the 9-Day Rule, you may haul up to 2,000 pounds of refuse, brush or bulk items from your property to the Salt River Landfill at no additional charge. For more info, call (480) 312-5460 or visit: <http://www.saltriverlandfill.com/welcome>

LANDSCAPE CONCERNS

If you have any concern about our Natural Area Open Space (NAOS) please contact the property manager, Charles Green.

Stay informed by visiting our website often at www.CarriageTrailsHOA.com