



DESERT CROSSINGS

Home Owners Association

Spring 2020 Newsletter

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Hello Desert Crossings Residents. I want to start out by saying how excited I am to serve as the DCHOA President. I appreciate the trust you have placed in me and it is my goal to strongly advocate for the HOA as a whole.

Here's a little about myself; I was raised in a small farming community in IL, upon graduation from high school, I joined the US Navy and served 24 and a half years before retiring as Senior Chief Petty Officer. Since then, I have continued to serve my country with the US Dept. of Homeland Security.

In all my time serving, one of the things I learned is, if you want the best result for a program, involvement and participation is the key. Lucky for us, we have some dedicated residents/board members who are highly involved. I'd like to take a minute to recognize them for their dedicated service. They include: Craig Nelson – Vice President, Sandy Brink – Treasurer, Liz Bianco – Director, Donna Groth – Director, Timothy Leahy – Director, Caryn O'Brien – Director

In addition to recognizing those that are currently serving, I'd like to encourage all residents of the DCHOA to get involved as well. A wise man once told me, the best way to fix something is from the inside. It is my hope that all of you will become insiders. You can do this by regularly attending our meetings and voting during the elections.

I look forward to serving you throughout this year and beyond

Phil

Now that the Annual Homeowner's Meeting is over with the election of Board members and a new slate of officers, we need to thank **Greg Jarvis** for his excellent service as President of the Board.



Board of Directors:

President: Phil Weber
Vice President: Craig Nelson
Treasurer/Secretary: Sandra Brink
Director: Liz Bianco
Director: Donna Groth
Director: Tim Leahy
Director: Caryn O'Brien

Property Managers:
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Suzanne Logan is our Community Manager
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Our Annual Meeting was held on February 25, 2020 at the Cottonwood Elementary School Library

Thank you to the Homeowners that sent in their ballots. Shame on you if you didn't send in your ballot. You were supplied with a stamped

envelope to make it easy to respond. ***This is your HOA and you should take an interest in your community.***

Sandra Brink was elected and Tim Leahy was re-elected to serve on the Board.

If you have any questions, problems or concerns please do not hesitate to call the Property Manager.

We encourage you to join the Association and/or attend a meeting. We have two hundred and fifty-five homes, and little participation.

Meetings are held the last Tuesday of the month at the Cottonwood Elementary School Library. We would love to see you there. Just drop in!

Your Home Owners Association has a tremendous responsibility. Not only do we have to keep a large number of people happy; it's also true that, sometimes, they're not going to be pleased with our decisions.

We all knew about the Association when we moved in and were given a copy of the rules and the CCR'S. **If you need a copy, please call our Property Management company at 298-2146 or check our website – <https://www.desertcrossingshoa.org>**

Contrary to popular belief we do not enjoy sending letters to your home to pick your weeds, move trashcans, cars etc.

Please take the time to keep your property looking in proper order so we can save trees and money by not sending out letters.

If you are lucky enough to get a letter, think about how great it is if you needed to sell and the new owners would not be taken back by weeds, junk cars and trash in your yard.

We have an Association to make sure your biggest investment in life continues to grow in value.

The neighborhood has a large share of rental property so we must get on owners so we can retain the great neighborhood we have.



IT'S SPRING CLEAN-UP TIME!

Weeds, rocks, overgrown trees and bushes! We do not always like to deal with yard work, but it is something we need to do to keep our community beautiful. This is a reminder to our neighbors both new and old - please maintain your yards on a regular basis. By doing so, it helps keep your yard manageable and looking great.

As the hot summer months approach, now is a perfect time to clean our yards before the temperatures hit the 100's. The following are a few things to do routinely; so, yard work is easier and less of a chore:

- Pull weeds
- Trim bushes
- Prune trees
- Pick-up trash
- Sweep rocks and leaves off driveway, sidewalk and street
- Inspect irrigation system for leaks
- Rake up dead branches and leaves
- Adjust irrigation timers accordingly, more for summer less during winter.
- Replace leaking irrigation drippers

It is always best to work in the early morning and evening hours. If possible, try to work during the coolest part of the day and avoid as much direct sunlight. Don't forget to take water breaks, so you do not over exert yourself. Make yard work easy by using a wheelbarrow to haul tools and collect tree trimmings and weeds as you work. Finally, make sure to water your plants in the morning and evening hours. Never do so during the hottest part of the day.



Parking Reminders...

Our CCR’s dictate that parking should be kept to garages and residential driveways. What this means for residents and our visitors is that we must first utilize the two parking spots in the garage first. If these spots are not available, then use the two spots in the driveway next. Only when all slots in the garage and driveway are occupied, should we then park on the street. If you find it necessary to use this space, please remember to park on the side of the street that allows parking. Never park on the side that prohibits parking, and never park facing the wrong side of the street. Please be courteous to your neighbors by adhering to these simple rules.

Please don’t block sidewalks, as they are the means to a nice evening stroll.

Parking on the wrong side of the street means the City can and does issue tickets.

Also be aware that there are thieves in the night. If you park your car in your driveway – keep it locked and the windows closed. Leave nothing of value in sight. It is a good idea to take your garage door remote in the house with you. If you have keyless entry to your vehicle, be aware that if they’re kept to close to a door they can be hacked.

Congratulations to The Class of 2020



Trash and Recycling Cans

Our CC&R’s state that our trash cans are not to be put out before 6:00 p.m. the night before the pickup day (Monday night for Tuesday pickup).

It also states that the cans are to be removed within 24 hours after the pickup up. This means by Wednesday afternoon. They are to be stored beyond the plane of the garage door.

Recycling – We are on a bi-weekly pickup. – the B Cycle.

Remember no sorting is required, so fill your Blue Barrel to the brim with:

All plastics – just no plastic bags or Styrofoam

Junk Mail, phone books, catalogs and magazines

Cans – aluminum, steel and tin cans

Paper – newspaper, writing paper, copy paper, brown paper bags

Glass food and beverage bottles and jars.

So, think about what you throw away and ask “Can this be recycled?” Grab more opportunities to recycle and make a difference: help save our desert environment, energy and precious natural resources.

Go to DoMoreBlue.com for more information on ways to make every day a recycling day.

