

Children caught vandalizing property near school bus stops can have riding privileges revoked

Vandalism at school bus stops is an ongoing problem.

Kids tend to get bored while waiting for the bus and start to vandalize things close to the bus stop. The biggest problem is at the bus stop near the Farmdale retention area.

The Farmdale area has had everything from graffiti, plants ran over by bikes and kids stomping on plants. Part of a curb was broken apart and scattered on the basketball court and the top of the picnic ramada, denting the aluminum roofing. The same area has had table seats broken, sprinkler heads broken, bricks removed and tossed around in circle medians, the

aluminum trash can smashed and tree branches torn off the trees.

The school bus stop on Coralbell has had a large section of tree bark removed, rocks scattered around at the headwalls and graffiti on headwalls. The school bus stop on Cheshire has had some graffiti and tree bark scratched on a couple of trees near the stop.

If your child is caught vandalizing property near or at the school bus stop, their bus privileges can be revoked and they can be suspended from school. Parents also will be subjected to a fine and required to pay for any and all damages done by their child.

Association website to feature new service directory of local businesses, services

Are you a local business owner or perform a service such as plumbing repair, electrician, etc.? Get the word out about your business with Neighbor to Neighbor, a service directory on the Parkwood Ranch Community Master Association website, www.parkwoodhoa.com.



Neighbor to Neighbor

For only \$15 per quarter, you can advertise your business or service on the Association website. To place an advertisement, simply call the association's management company, Renaissance Community Partners, at 480-813-6788.

Calendar of Events

Please note that these dates may be subject to change. Check each newsletter for exact times, dates, and locations.

Sat., March 26th	Community Easter Egg Hunt
Sat., April 16th	Community Yard Sale
Sat., May 21st	Movie & Popcorn Night at Farmdale Park
Sat., July 2nd	Independence Day Popsicle Parade
Sat., Aug. 6th	Bowling Tournament
Sat., Oct. 8th	2nd Annual Community Fall Festival
Sat., Nov 12th	Community Yard Sale
Sat., Dec. 17th	2nd Annual "Tour de Parkwood Ranch Festival of Lights"

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Police & Fire 911

Mesa Police Non-Emergency #
..... 644-2211

Mesa Fire Community Services #
..... 644-2200

City of Mesa 644-2011

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Safety of residents leads to motorized vehicle ban in common areas

You see them everywhere these days. They are motorized skateboards, scooters, miniature motorcycles, and traditional ATVs. As the popularity of these vehicles rise, municipalities and homeowner's associations are working to make sure appropriate regulations are in place to ensure their proper safety and use.



The Parkwood Ranch Master Association has large common areas designed for the recreation of our property owners. Unfortunately, motorized vehicles have become a large problem for our association.

Safety is our primary concern. Our common areas and sidewalks were designed for pedestrian and non-motorized vehicle access. Motorized scooters and skateboards travel at a speed that puts other users at risk. Also, the common areas, including retention basins and runoff areas, are not appropriate places for this type of recreation.

In addition to the obvious safety issues there are other concerns that are important to the bottom line of the Parkwood Ranch HOA. ATVs traveling in the grass and gravel areas of our community have damaged many plants as well as the infrastructure in our parks. Our landscaping contractor, DLC, is finding that many sprinkler heads and drip emitters have been destroyed. The recent rain has made the ground very soft and tire marks are being made in the grass and gravel. Sidewalks are also being marred with tire tracks. Repairing the damage is becoming quite costly to the association.

With these issues in mind, the Board of Directors at the January meeting passed a resolution banning all motorized vehicles from Parkwood Ranch owned common areas and sidewalks. Exceptions will be made for vehicles used for official Parkwood Ranch Master Association or City of Mesa business and for vehicles designed for the mobility impaired.

What does this mean to you? If your household owns any motorized vehicle, gas or electric, it is not allowed to be used on Parkwood Ranch walkways, private streets, or in the common areas. Public streets and sidewalks are regulated by City of Mesa ordinance. Vehicles included in the resolution include, but are not limited to, motorized skateboards, scooters, miniature motorcycles, three and four wheeled ATVs, and golf carts.

Signage will be installed soon to alert Parkwood residents of this new resolution. If you have any questions regarding this important safety issue, please attend the March 28 board meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the Media Center at Patterson Elementary School.

It's an eggstraviganza! Come join the Parkwood Ranch 1st-ever Easter Egg Hunt

The Parkwood Ranch Master HOA is looking for a few good eggs to participate in the first-ever neighborhood Easter Egg Hunt and picnic potluck at the Farmdale picnic ramada on Saturday, March 26th at 11 a.m.

Kids participating in the egg hunt will be divided by age and will search in a designated area. To ensure everyone has a fair shot at finding eggs, parents are encouraged to speak to their child about "egg hogging." To participate, each family must drop off 48 plastic eggs, filled with candy or toys, to HOA board member Roberta Cullen by Friday, March 25th. Please call her at 480-529-7834 to arrange a drop-off time.

The picnic potluck begins immediately after the egg hunt. Residents should bring their own blanket and/or chairs to sit on, as well as a dish to share with your neighbors and friends. Don't forget to label & provide a serving utensil for your dish. Please remember there is no electricity to plug appliances into at the Farmdale picnic ramada. The HOA will provide bottled water, paper plates, napkins, and forks.

Volunteers who would like to help with setting up the egg hunt/picnic please call Roberta Cullen. Businesses that would like to donate eggs should also contact her at 480-529-7834.



Association Board News

The Parkwood Ranch Association Board is looking for new members for both the board and the Architectural Review Committee. Board and ARC members must live within Parkwood Ranch and be current with their assessments. If you are interested, please contact Renaissance Community Partners at 480-813-6788.

All meetings are held in the Media Center at Patterson Elementary School, 615 S. Cheshire, Mesa.

March 28, 2005

Arch. Review Committee Mtg. - 6 p.m.
Board Meeting - 7:30 p.m.

April 21, 2005

Annual Meeting of Parkwood Ranch homeowners - 6:30 p.m.

April 25, 2005

Arch. Review Committee Mtg. - 6 p.m.
Board Meeting - 7:30 p.m.

May 21, 2005

Arch. Review Committee Mtg. - 6 p.m.
Board Meeting - 7:30 p.m.

Treasurer's Report

By *Charlie Stock*

We have come to the end of the year in great financial shape. We had \$283,000 invested in Reserve Funds, as well as nearly \$64,800 in our cash accounts, with only \$19,578 in unpaid bills.

Our efforts to bring our accounts receivable more current are continuing. As of Dec. 31, 2004, our accounts receivable were \$34,027 less than they were on Dec. 31 of 2003. This is a big difference; however, we still had \$35,725 in unpaid accounts receivable at year's end.

Parcels 16 & 17 have had speed bumps reinstalled and repainted. What a difference! The board has decided to defer the resealing of the streets in Parcels 16 & 17 until the fall.

The board of directors of your

homeowner's association has, as one of its goals, to provide a well-maintained community for all of us to live in. I think we have done an excellent job. Can we do better? You bet! But we need your help. Please attend our monthly board meetings and find out what is happening in our community and in the surrounding community. Did you know a hospital is planned for the southeast corner of Crismon and Southern? A QuikTrip convenience store also is planned for that intersection, and a Wal-mart is in the works at Signal Butte and Baseline. A multi-plex movie theater and a spa also are planned at Signal Butte and Baseline, and a charter school has begun construction on Southern, just west of Crismon.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at user894291@aol.com.

Parkwood Ranch annual gathering of homeowners set for April 21, 2005 at Patterson Elementary

Make your voice heard and hear from your neighbors on the Parkwood Board of Directors at the annual meeting, April 21. In addition to electing new board members, residents will hear from the IASIS group, builders of the planned hospital at Crismon and Southern. Sign-in begins at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Patterson Elementary School auditorium.

Approved parcel color palette will soon be available at local home improvement stores

By Greg Wolfe

You may have noticed that our once brand new neighborhood is now beginning to show some signs of age. Some homes are nearly ten years old and are in need of a fresh coat of paint. The Architectural Review Committee certainly recommends you repaint your home as soon as it noticeably fades, yet there has been some difficulty on homeowner's part as to what colors are acceptable. Let me explain what we are doing to address that issue.

Parkwood Ranch was developed as 17 separate parcels, with each having its own unique color scheme. The ARC requires that if you repaint your house, you stay in the color scheme of your particular parcel. For example, if you live in a Dietz-Crane built house near the school, you cannot pick a color combination from the Richmond American homes farther west. You must pick from the color palette of the immediate properties.

The ARC will be working over the next few months to make color selection a whole lot easier on you, the homeowner. We will be developing a color palette available at Home Depot, Lowe's, and Dunn Edwards from which you will be able to choose. Simply select from the pre-approved colors for your parcel. You will have to know your parcel number. If you have a question on that, call Renaissance Community Partners and they will give it to you. Each parcel will have approved colors for the main part of the house and accents. Remember that all work done to the exterior of your

property must have prior written approval from the ARC.

Secondly, as it warms up many of you are thinking of installing a swimming pool. Pools and accessories that do not show above the top of your fence are not required to have approval from the Architectural Review Committee. The exception is if you have a view fence. In that case, you must have approval for any modifications in your yard.

The issue we face is with the construction of your pool. Temporary removal of fencing will certainly be required. Please submit your plans for removal and replacement of fences before construction begins. The ARC will NOT approve any removal of fencing that joins a common area. Removal of any part of a fence that faces a common area, including the street, could result in a fine of up to \$2,500 according to the Parkwood Ranch CCRs. Please have your pool company access your yard through one of your side yard fences. Remember that it is the homeowner's responsibility to make sure the fence is restored to its original condition.

The Parkwood Ranch Architectural guidelines are always available at www.parkwoodhoa.com or by calling our property management company, Renaissance Community Partners, at 480-813-6788. The ARC meets monthly on the 4th Monday at 6pm in the media center of Patterson Elementary School. Please come by and voice any concerns you may have. We'll even accept compliments.



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Crime Watch

Parkwood Ranch is fortunate to be located near Skyline Park, an easy walk to amenities such as lighted basketball and baseball facilities, a playground and picnic areas. And while Parkwood Ranch is a safe place to live and play, the City of Mesa Police Department would like to remind parents of the curfew law, Mesa City Ordinance #2825. It states:

"It is unlawful for a minor under the age of sixteen (16) years to be in, or upon a public street, sidewalk, alley, right-of-way, or other public place in the City between the hours of ten (10:00) pm and five (5:00) am. It is unlawful for a minor between the ages of sixteen (16) years and eighteen (18) years to be in, on, or upon a public street, sidewalk, alley, right-of-way, or other public place in the City between the hours of twelve (12:00) midnight and five (5:00) am."

Exceptions include minors accompanied by a parent, guardian or other person having legal care of the minor, legally emancipated minors, minors who are pursuing lawful trade, work, occupation, business or profession, who have the permission to do so from their parent or guardian, minors who are in attendance or returning home from functions sponsored by or related to religious, school, civic, or nonprofit organizations, or minors who's presence is necessitated by an emergency.

Important Phone Numbers

Silent Witness 1-800-343-TIPS
Narcotics Hotline..... 644-5081
Graffiti Hotline 644-3083
Gang Hotline 644-4264
Fraud Alert Hotline 644-2345