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the Finance Committee. Charles is charged with making sure Parkwood Ranch remains fiscally healthy and our dues are spent wisely. His work over the past few years has made our HOA one of the most financially strong communities in the Valley. His term expires April, 2007. He can be reached at user894291@aol.com

Heather Fassnacht - Secretary

Heather is beginning her second term as secretary for Parkwood Ranch. Heather's term expires in April, 2007. She can be reached at hfassnacht@cox.net

Roberta Cullen - Board Member

Roberta, a 5 year resident of Parkwood Ranch, chairs the Community Social Activities Committee. Roberta is responsible for many successful community events such as the fall GAIN night at Skyline Park and the recent movie night in Farmdale Park. She is always looking for ideas and volunteers to help bring our neighborhood together. Her term expires April, 2006. She can be reached at RobertaC@kw.com

Vince Nasuta - Board Member

Vince Nasuta chairs the Landscaping Committee. As you no doubt know, Parkwood Ranch has extensive open spaces and parks available for our use. The landscaping committee must work closely with DLC, our landscaping company, to

make sure everything looks its best. Vince is the one who has taken on this responsibility for the past few years. His work has certainly paid off in the wonderful look of our community. His term expires April, 2008.

Nick Masse - Board Member

Nick is the newest member of the Board and serves as chairman of the ARC. His committee is responsible for approvals of all changes to landscaping and structures on our properties. Of course we let (made) the new guy take on the largest and most recognized committee. His term expires in April, 2008. He can be reached at thepooldude2@msn.com

Jim Olness - Board Member

Jim is an 8 year resident of Parkwood Ranch and has been on the Board a number of years. Jim was supposed to leave the Board in April, but he agreed to fill the position of a member who was not able to complete his term. Thanks, Jim for stepping up. His current term expires April, 2006. You can reach Jim at jim_olness@hotmail.com

Phyllis Gresser - Board Member

Phyllis has been active in Parkwood Ranch since she moved here 5 years ago. She is a past officer and dedicated to making Parkwood Ranch the best place to live in the east valley. Her term expires April, 2006.

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Community Master
Association Board**

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Important Phone Numbers

- Police & Fire 911
- Mesa Police Non-Emergency #
..... 644-2211
- Mesa Fire Community Services #
..... 644-2200
- City of Mesa 644-2011

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Calendar of Events

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

Sat., July 2nd	Movie Nite
August - date TBA	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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Keep your family safe around water

As of June 13, two children under the age of 12 have drowned in Mesa.

Does your home have a swimming pool? No? Not even an above-ground pool, or a “kiddie” pool? All of these bodies of water are inviting to a child, and deadly, if not properly fenced. How many times have you left your child’s inflatable swimming pool up for a few days, not realizing the deadly potential it presents?

The Drowning Prevention Coalition of Central Arizona, a group composed of representatives from the Attorney General’s Office, city government officials, real estate agents and pool builders, is ready to introduce legislation that would simplify the pool fence ordinance and require every home with a child under 6 to have a 5-foot, non-climbable fence with a self-latching gate around the swimming pool.

In addition to having a fence around your swimming pool, there are other ways to keep your family safe when they are around water. Here are a few recommendations from the Mesa Fire Department:

- * Post emergency instructions, including 9-1-1 and CPR in the pool area.
- * Have a phone available in the pool area to be used for emergencies.
- * Have life safety equipment ready to use in case of an emergency. For example, a life ring with rope and a hook.
- * Remove all toys from the pool area or any item a child would be interested in obtaining. Never allow children to play in the pool area.
- * Regularly maintain your latches and springs, greasing them often.
- * Keep chairs, tables and other furniture away from pool fences. Kids can use them to climb and gain access to the pool area. If possible, place pool furniture inside pool fence.
- * Even empty buckets and play pools are dangerous: small children can drown in 2 inches of water.
- * Lock all exterior windows and doors. Keep keys out of reach of children.
- * Install second lock, out of reach of children. A three or four year old can easily reach a normal height lock.
- * Ensure doors are self-closing and self-latching.
- * Lock pet doors.



Parkwood Ranch residents elect new Board members

The Parkwood Ranch Community Association is managed by a 9-person board of directors, of which three are elected each year. On April 21, 2005 our annual meeting was held at Patterson School and attended by many residents. Two members of the Board were re-elected for 3-year terms and a new member was elected for the first time. The Board of Directors then elect officers at their next regularly scheduled meeting. Here are your current Parkwood Ranch Board of Directors.

Beverly Blackburn – President

Bev is beginning her second year as President of the Parkwood Ranch Board of Directors. Bev is a member of the Architectural Review Committee. Her term expires in April, 2007. She can be reached at beverly@bkblackburn.com.

Greg Wolfe – Vice President

Greg was elected for a second term in April. A 5 year resident of Parkwood Ranch, Greg is also a member of the ARC. His term expires April, 2008. He can be reached at gwolfe3@cox.net

Charles Stock – Treasurer

Charles is a 5 year resident of Parkwood Ranch and also chairs

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The need for Neighborhood Block Watch

By *Bev Blackburn*

At our last annual meeting, several homeowners expressed concerns about criminal activity in our community. Although the HOA has taken steps to help curb some of the criminal activity, each and every homeowner is also responsible for helping the cause.

In past newsletters, hints and tips for home safety have been given and discussed, but it is up to the homeowner to actually implement these ideas on a personal level. It is up to each of us to lock our doors and garages, close our windows, and

know where our children and teenagers are.

One of the best and effective ways to reduce crime in a community is to participate in the Neighborhood Watch program. Neighborhood Watch is a crime prevention program which enlists the active participation of citizens in cooperation with law enforcement to reduce crime in their communities. At one point in time, Parkwood Ranch was filled with active block watches. Over the past few years, participation in many of these block watches has diminished.

The purpose of the Neighborhood

Watch Program is to create an alert neighborhood by using simple crime prevention methods. It helps neighbors get to know each other and work together in a program of mutual assistance. It teaches citizens to be aware of, and know how to recognize and report suspicious activities in their neighborhoods.

The program is not as difficult as many homeowners would believe. For example, monthly meetings are not necessary. Only two meetings/activities are required per year. These can consist of a block party in the

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Association Board News

The Parkwood Ranch Association Board is looking for residents to join one of the various HOA committees. If you are interested, please contact Renaissance Community Partners at 480-813-6788.

With the summer break, the June and July meetings will be held at the offices of Renaissance Community Partners, 916 E. Baseline Rd., Ste. 104. In August, the meeting will be held in the Media Center at Patterson Elementary School, 615 S. Cheshire, Mesa.

June 27, 2005

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

July 25, 2005

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

August 22, 2005

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

September 26, 2005

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

Three ways to pay your assessments

Paying your assessments is vital to the economic health of the community. The funds are crucial to being able to maintain the community in great shape so we can preserve your property values. There are three ways to pay:

- 1) Check
- 2) Automatic payment - Forms are available at: www.parkwoodhoa.com/achform.pdf
- 3) Visa or MasterCard - call Renaissance for details

Paying on time will ensure avoid-

ing costly late fees and collection costs. Payments are due January 1, April 1, July 1, October 1.

Payments not received within 30 days of due date, will be assessed a \$15 late fee. Forty-five (45) days after the due date, a \$45 Demand notice is sent. At 60 days an intent to lien letter is sent (\$45). Ninety (90) days after the due date a lien is filed (\$125). After 120 days legal action is taken. Please help us help you avoid these costs by staying on-time and current with your assessments.

Treasurer's Report

By *Charlie Stock*

We continue to be in great financial shape.

We have approximately \$300,000 invested in Reserve Funds. We also have about \$35,000 in our savings account, plus approximately \$45,000 in our operating account, with our bills all current.

Our efforts to bring our accounts receivable more current are continuing. At the end of May,

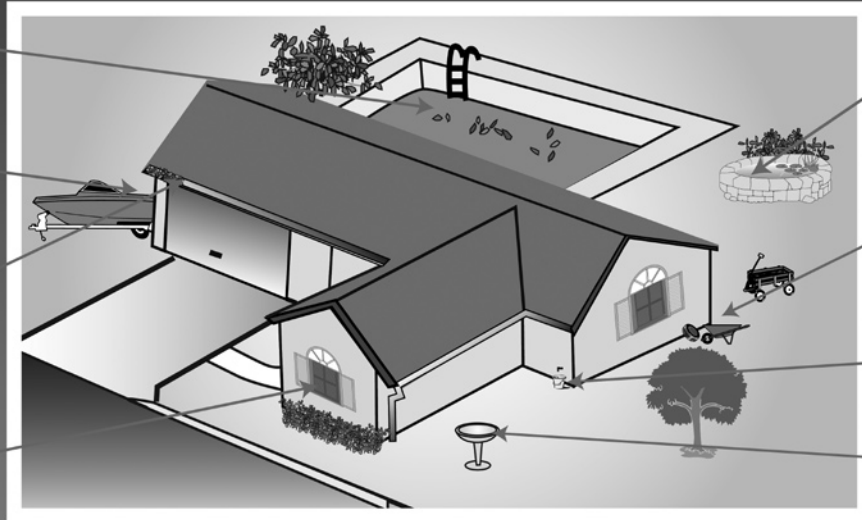
our past due balances were at their lowest amount in the last three years.

The Board of Directors of your homeowners association continues its goal of providing a well maintained community for all of us to live in. I think the resale values show what happens when you have a well-groomed community.

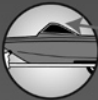
If you have any questions, I can be reached at user894291@aol.com.

Prevent West Nile Virus

Eliminate common backyard mosquito breeding sources.





Neglected swimming pool


Open boat


Clogged gutters


Broken screens


Poorly maintained pond
(Stock with mosquito larvae-eating fish)


Items that hold water for more than a few days


Leaky watering equipment


Birdbath
(Change water twice a week)

Protect yourself from mosquito bites:

- Avoid outdoor activity during peak mosquito times – dusk to dawn
- Wear long, loose, light-colored clothing
- Use insect repellent when outdoors after sunset



For more information, visit the Arizona Department of Health Services web site: www.hs.state.az.us

Block Watch

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street or in someone's back/front yard; a block garage sale; or any other activity where several homeowners on the street get together.

There is a huge support network for block watches through the City of Mesa Police Dept. There are department coordinators that will attend your activity to explain all of the details of Neighborhood Watch.

They can be reached at the department's main number, (480) 644-2300, option 5. Their website is located at www.ci.mesa.az.us/police/literature/neighbor.asp

The benefits of participating in such a program are countless. In some areas of our community, active block watches have contributed to the closing down of a drug/ identity theft

ring; auto burglaries; and vandalism to personal and HOA property. It has helped residents make new friends, enjoy good food, and just have fun.

The HOA board offers support and information to anyone wanting to get a block watch started in their area. Visit Parkwoodhoa.com for contact information.

Water safety

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- * Lock all accessible entries to yard including gates.
- * Walls & fences should not be less than 5 feet or more than 6 feet.
- * Installed fencing should be a minimum of 20 inches from waters edge.
- * All openings to pool area require self-closing and self-latching devices.

Latching device should be at least 54 inches above grade.

- * Private doors with access to pool area require self-latching and self-closing doors with locking device 54 inches above grade
- * All windows within 5 feet of waters edge must be safety glass.



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