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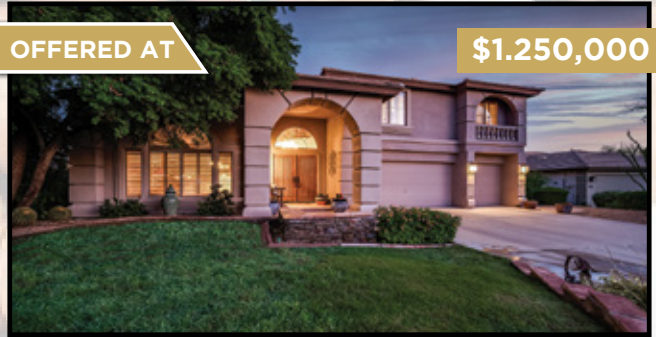
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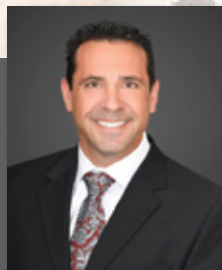


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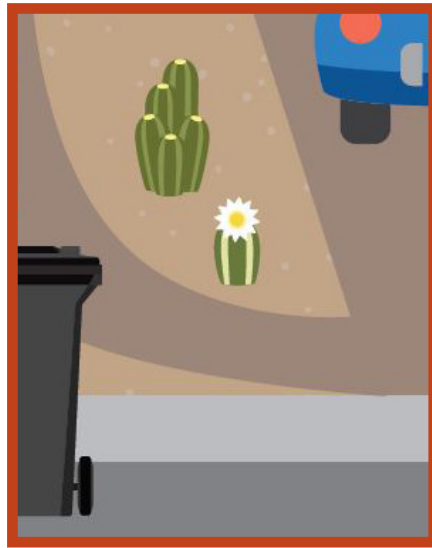
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Manager's Corner



In October, the Board of Directors of the Grayhawk Community Association (GCA) and the Retreat Village Association (RVA) will hold a Strategic Planning Meeting to develop short-term and long-term goals for both associations, and to determine the best approach to continue to keep Grayhawk as one of the state's premiere master-planned communities.

The recent surge in home sales has been followed by a wave of remodeling and construction activity in the community. Many homes in Grayhawk are close to 25 years old and new buyers are eager to renovate. Much like owners are making improvements to keep their homes current, both the Grayhawk and Retreat Village Board of Directors are looking to keep Grayhawk a relevant and viable community in which to live.

An established community like Grayhawk has many advantages over new developments including name recognition within the area, and existing community amenities including the Grayhawk Elementary School, Guidepost Montessori School, HonorHealth Scottsdale Thompson Peak Medical Center, two City of Scottsdale parks, two nationally recognized 18-hole championship golf courses, the Boys and Girls Club Thunderbirds Branch, two office complexes, and two shopping centers.

But most of all, Grayhawk has you! It is the residents of Grayhawk that make this community so special. The diverse demographic within Grayhawk truly makes this community like a small town. We have families with young children, families with teenagers, families with children who were young when they bought their house and are now in college or starting their careers, retirees, those nearing retirement, single individuals, seasonal residents, and many others. Finally, most of you have also taken great pride in your community and your home by continuing to maintain your property in a manner that makes you and your neighbors proud to call Grayhawk your home.

Stacey Harvey

Grayhawk Community Manager

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BOARD MEETINGS – OCTOBER 2021

Board meetings are open to residents and we encourage you to attend.
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Grayhawk Board of Directors

Monday, October 4 at 5:30 p.m.
Call the GCA Office at 480-563-9708 for more information.
grayhawk_board@grayhawkcommunity.org

Grayhawk Board of Directors Executive Session Meeting

Monday, October 4 at 5 p.m. The Board of Directors will be meeting in Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. Section 33-1804 (A)(3).

Retreat Village Board of Directors

Monday, October 4 following the GCA Board meeting. Call the GCA Office at 480-563-9708 for more information.
retreat_board@grayhawkcommunity.org

Retreat Village Board of Directors Executive Session Meeting

Monday, October 4 at 5 p.m. The Board of Directors will be meeting in Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. Section 33-1804 (A)(3).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Communications Committee

Call Jennifer Sheets at 480-563-9708 for more information.

Event Planning Committee

Call Sarah Van Duyne at 480-563-9708 for more information.

Landscape Committee

Call Stacey Harvey at 480-563-9708 for more information.

Operational Review Committee

Call Stacey Harvey at 480-563-9708 for more information.

Architectural Review Committee

Tuesday, October 5 and 19 at 4:30 p.m.
Call Ashley Scott at 480-563-9708 for more information.



OTHER ASSOCIATIONS

Avian Condominium Association Board Meeting

Call Associated Property Management
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Cachet at Grayhawk Condominium Association Meeting

Call FirstService Residential at
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Crown Point Board Meeting

Call Ashley Scott at 480-563-9708
for details.

Edge Condominium Association Board Meeting

Visit www.theedgegrayhawk.com or call
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October 14 at 6 p.m. via Zoom. Call Amcor
Property Professionals at 480-948-5860 for
details.

Tesoro Condominium Association Board Meeting

Call Kinney Management at 480-820-3451
for details.

Venu Condominium Association Board Meeting

Call Vision Community Management at
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Village at Grayhawk Condominium Association Board Meeting

Call FirstService Residential at
480-551-4300 for details.

Vintage Condominium Association Board Meeting

Call Associated Property Management at
480-941-1077 for details.

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MISSION STATEMENT

Grayhawk Community Association strives to enhance quality of life and community strength through inclusion, participation and pragmatic stewardship of human, financial and environmental assets.

Grayhawk Master Association Board of Directors Meeting – September 13, 2021

Homeowner Forum

A resident asked if there was an update on the Reata Wash Flood Control Study. David Van Omen reported that there has not been much progress.

A resident also asked about an update regarding the guardhouse remodel. Stacey Harvey said that the Association is awaiting approval and permits from the City of Scottsdale and work will begin as soon as those are complete.

Development Committee

David Van Omen reported that the Ling's Wok Shop restaurant at Hayden Peak Crossing is open as of Sept. 13.

In a brief overview, David Van Omen stated that single family homes in Grayhawk were selling for an average of \$278/sq. foot in 2020 and are selling for an average of \$356/sq. foot in August of 2021.

There was question as to how much longer construction would be taking place on the 101. Derrick Moore stated that he had looked it up and the website stated late 2021 or early 2022.

Don Morse asked if anyone had been in contact with the management for Cachet regarding losing parking on Hualapai Rd. Stacey Harvey said that it had been discussed at the recent condo Board President meeting.

Operational Review Committee

The committee made a recommendation to modify the current fine policy to include:

1. An increase in the fine for additions/alterations to home without approval to \$200 for the initial fine and \$50 per day thereafter.
2. An increase in the fine for all modifications to yard without approval to \$100 for the initial fine and \$25 per day thereafter.
3. Fines will be imposed for vendor activity outside of Grayhawk Guidelines construction hours. The initial fine will be \$100 a day and then \$50 for each additional day.
4. Fine will be imposed for non-construction quiet-hour activity by vendors on Sundays as specified in the Grayhawk Community Association Guidelines. The initial fine will be \$100 a day and then \$50 for each additional day.
5. Increase fine for leaving can out on non-pickup days to \$50 per day for first offense

A motion was approved to accept the Fine Policy revisions as proposed by the Operational Review Committee.

A motion was made and approved to accept RU2 System proposal of \$19,525 for a speed trailer, to be paid from the Community Enhancement Fund.

There was a brief overview of the new covenants report, where the Board will be able to view the number of open violations.

Landscape Committee

Arlene Smith reported that Grayhawk lost a total of 93 large trees in summer storms, with over 190 being damaged. DLC Resources has been working to complete the landscape updates to the Retreat Village monument areas. There were recently two 4" water main breaks that were recently repaired.

Community Enhancement Committee

Stacey Harvey reported that the committee did not meet.

Event Planning Committee

Sarah Van Dwyne reported that August had been very busy. Over 20 people attended the Charcuterie Class at The Craftsman and had really enjoyed themselves. Bunco was held outside at a Retreat pool and most all in attendance won a prize.

The Playdate in the Park event was lots of fun and many new families were able to connect. Upcoming events include the Shredding Event, Movie in the Park and Pumpkin Patch.

Communications Committee

Jennifer Sheets reported that Don Morse, Linda Shaw and herself had visited the municipal building in Queen Creek to look at a A/V system similar to what was proposed for Grayhawk by CompuNet. They had also obtained a second quote from Starpower for a system. There should be a full proposal in the board packet in October for the board to review.

Architectural Review Committee

Paul Alessio reported that there were two meetings in August with a total of 23 submittals. Submittals included everything from turf to gutters, front door replacements to new windows.

Budget/Finance Committee

Jeanette Griswold reported that the committee did not meet. They have two upcoming meetings to start reviewing the budget for 2022.

Executive Committee

David Van Omen reported that the committee met on Sept. 8 to review several items, including increased legal fees. The committee will be meeting again on Sept. 28.

New Business

COVID – 19 Business Continuity Plan Update: The Board discussed the next phase of the COVID-19 Continuity Plan, which included reopening the rental/meeting space.

A motion was made and approved to revisit the discussion regarding moving forward with the next step of the Covid-19 Business Continuity Plan at the October meeting. No indoor events or rentals will be held at the GCA Office until the board determines it is safe to do so.

Ad Hoc Charter Review Committee

Don Morse and Linda Shaw reviewed the various committee charter revisions made to date.

A motion was made and approved to accept all of the revised charters, with the exception of those for the Budget Finance, Landscape and Communications committees, which need additional revisions.

Treasurer's Report

Jeanette Griswold reported that the GCA was approximately \$30,478 over budget through July primarily due to landscaping and legal costs. In July, \$127,317 was deposited to the Community Enhancement Fund, bringing the year-to-date total to \$763,175.

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Pumpkin Patch * Deb's Dragons * Axe Throwing
Spin Art * Balloon Twisting * Hot dogs, chips and drinks

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RSVPS WILL ONLY BE TAKEN UNTIL OCT. 19. NO EVENT WALKUPS.

Grayhawk Elementary School set to host a fun, fall-themed, family night for our Grayhawk family!

By Cori Matheson, Grayhawk PTO Communications

This year, Grayhawk families are in for a fun treat with the return of our annual fall celebration. On Friday, October 22nd, the Grayhawk Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) will host a "Fall Fair" and we will welcome a carnival-style atmosphere, family-friendly games, music, community, contests, and so much more to focus on bringing our community together.

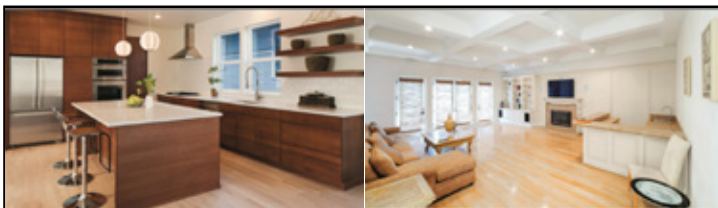
Our staff, families, and students are looking forward to safe, exciting, and energizing outdoor family activities. Our Fall Fair will be a wonderful opportunity for our students to represent their classes with fair-style booths, and even a new Picture-Perfect Picnic Challenge for the entire family to explore.

"This outdoor event will provide a great setting to get our community back together and celebrate all that Grayhawk Elementary has to offer," says John Paladino, the new Grayhawk PTO Events Chair. Paladino has also shared that the Grayhawk Dad's Club will host a BBQ. CenterStage Dance Studio will be performing with their special junior dance teams. There will be a pumpkin patch, and everything is available at a minimal fee.



The community is also welcomed to join the fun! Ticket information and more event details can be found online at www.grayhawkpto.com/fall-fair or tickets can be purchased at the door for a slightly higher fee. We also need help from our parents and community to make this event a success. Please consider volunteering and contact events@grayhawkpto.com with questions.

Keep an eye out for national "Walk to School Day" on October 6th, Scholastic Book Fair (Oct. 1-8), updates about our new *GHES Outdoor Classroom*, and so many more fun happenings with the Grayhawk Elementary School PTO. Follow along on social media (@GrayhawkPTO) and check out our website (www.grayhawkpto.com) for updates! Thank you for your continued support!



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Sat., October 16 from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Grayhawk Greenbelt at 78th Way & 78th Pl, Park at 7940 E. Thompson Peak Pkwy.

Join neighbors for this Floo-id yoga class being offered to Grayhawk residents for FREE! This is a great way to clear your mind and social distance while exercising. Just bring your mat and a can-do attitude; your body will do the rest. The class will take place in the narrow beginning section of the greenbelt that starts at the tunnel under the Thompson Peak Pkwy. and Hayden Rd. intersection. Walk, ride a bike or park in the Offices at Grayhawk parking lot and head down to the greenbelt from there. Register at www.grayhawkcommunity.org. floo-id YOGA is a locally owned boutique yoga studio right off the 101 and Scottsdale Road, located in the same plaza as Whole Foods. They offer a wide variety of classes to accommodate all ages and skill levels to help you become a better version of yourself and has proven to aid in a healthier, physically fit and less stressful lifestyle.

Fall Cookie Decorating Class

Wed., Oct. 20 at 4:30 p.m.

Kit pick-up: Mon. - Fri. from 8 a.m. to 5p.m. in the GCA office

Virtual Class held on Wed., Oct. 20 from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Virtual via Zoom- link will be sent out with your kit pick up reminder email

Skip the baking and icing prep work and join us on making some sweet cookie art that's pleasing to the eye AND taste buds. This cookie decorating kit is baked to order by Smith-o-lator Cookies. Kits have a total of 6 Fall themed sugar cookies wotj three different shapes to decorate. The kits include enough supplies for one adult or two kid decorators. All kit orders will need to be picked up from the Grayhawk office prior to the class on Oct. 20. The virtual instructional class will be held on Wed., Oct. 20 at 4:30 p.m. The first 25 orders that use the "grayhawk" discount code will receive a \$10 discount and get their kit for only \$10! Register for your discounted kit online at <https://www.smitholator.com/private-listings>. Please email Sarah with questions at svanduyne@ccmcnet.com.



Food Truck Night - Waffle Crush

Thurs., October 21 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Grayhawk Greenbelt at 78th Way & 78th Pl.

Park at 7940 E. Thompson Peak Pkwy.

Leave the cooking to the professionals and pick up dinner and/or dessert for the whole family from Waffle Crush! Walk, bike, or drive down to the greenbelt to pick up a super savory ham and cheese and Turkey Pesto sandwich or an unbelievably sweet Peanut Butter Madness and Brownie Explosion waffle treat. There really is something for everyone to enjoy. There will be no parking on the street, please park in the offices at Grayhawk parking lot located at 7940 E. Thompson Peak Pkwy. And take the sidewalk path to the greenbelt. Feel free to bring chairs or blankets to enjoy your goodies under shade trees in the greenbelt or while walking the path with family and friends.

Grayhawk Pumpkin Patch

Sat., Oct. 23 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Monterey Park, 73rd Way and Whistling Wind Way

Throw on a costume and come pick out the best pumpkin in our “patch!” We will have tons of fun activities that include but are not limited to: Debs Dragons, Axe throwing, Spin Art, Balloon Twisting, and so much more! We will have a food truck serving up delicious hotdogs with chips and cold refreshments. Don't think we forgot about dessert, there will be plenty of sno-cones to go around. Registration online at www.grayhawkcommunity.org and prepayment of \$10 per child must be received by no later than 5 p.m on Tues., Oct. 19. There will be NO late or event day registrations accepted for this event. Hot dogs, chips, and drinks will be included each child's \$10 payment. If adults want to take part in the food truck, cost will be \$5 per adult for a food ticket, which must be registered for at the same time as registration for the event. Adult food truck tickets will also be sold at the door on the day of the event for \$10. We will adapt accordingly to stay in line with current City and State mandates and recommendations in regards to Covid-19. Special thanks to Trident Security, DLC Resources, Jeremy Mueller with State Farm, and Andrew Bloom & David Van Omen with BVO Luxury Keller Williams AZ for sponsoring this incredible event.



Grayhawk Single Sippers Club

Wed., October 27 at 5 p.m.

Sophia's Kitchen, 17050 N. Thompson Peak Pkwy. Ste. 125

If you are a single looking for casual conversation, a friend or just to meet some other singles in your neighborhood, then this event is for you! Come grab yourself a light bite to eat and a drink on the amazing Sophia's Kitchen patio all while meeting some new people. This is a great way to broaden your circle of friends and to try something new. Our reservation starts at 5 p.m., but you are welcome to join a little later if you cannot be there by 5 pm. We must give the restaurant our final count of attendees by Mon., Oct. 25. Please Register online at www.grayhawkcommunity.org.

SAVE THE DATE:

Scottsdale Living Fall Festival

Sun., Nov. 14 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Thompson Peak Park Parking Lot, 20199 N 78th Pl.

Celebrate the fall season with your neighbors and other Scottsdale residents at the Scottsdale Living Fall Festival! This is a first time event and will be right in our backyard at the Thompson Peak Park Parking lot. You can expect loads of fun with great live music, food trucks, a cornhole tournament, petting zoo, crafts and games. Whether you are looking to get competitive and participate in the tournament, play games with your kids, fill up on good eats, or have a drink and enjoy some live music, this event will have it all! There is no entrance fee for this event unless you would like to register for the cornhole tournament. Cost for the tournament is \$25 per team, of which a portion of the proceeds will be benefiting multiple non-profits such as: Holes fore Hope, Foothills Animal Rescue, Fresh Start Women's Foundation and the Wounded Warrior Project.

There will be prizes awarded for top three placing teams. Email Sponsor and creator of Scottsdale Living, John Doering, at cornhole@4salearizona.com to save your spot and receive more information on the tournament. Thank you to some amazing sponsors for creating a wonderful community event. We look forward to seeing you there!

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HEALTHY HINTS: Eating Out & On-the-Go

By Tina Uphoff, Grayhawk resident, Certified Health Coach and Fitness Trainer

Fall can be a busy time of year, especially with kids back in school and you find yourself running to and from various activities. This can make eating healthy a challenge. Here are some easy tips for eating out and on-the-go.

DINE IN OR TAKE OUT RESTAURANTS

- Visit the restaurant's menu online before you go so you can plan what you'll order and be less likely to choose unhealthy options. Order grilled wild-caught fish like salmon or halibut, or chicken with a side of steamed veggies. Top with lemon juice and light drizzle of olive oil, and be sure to ask the server to leave off any sauces.
- Have a salad without croutons or cheese and top with balsamic vinegar and olive oil. Feel free to add protein in the form of grilled chicken or grilled salmon. Poached fish or a hard-boiled egg would also work.



- If there's nothing on the menu that looks like it will work, ask the server if they could create a plate of just steamed vegetables and poached fish or chicken. Worried you'll sound high maintenance? Relax, as long as you are polite and kind, they'll be happy to help.
- Ask your dining companions to move the bread and butter away from you so you aren't tempted.
- Order a sparkling water with a squeeze of lime so you still have a fancy drink in addition to your regular water.

FAST FOOD RESTAURANTS

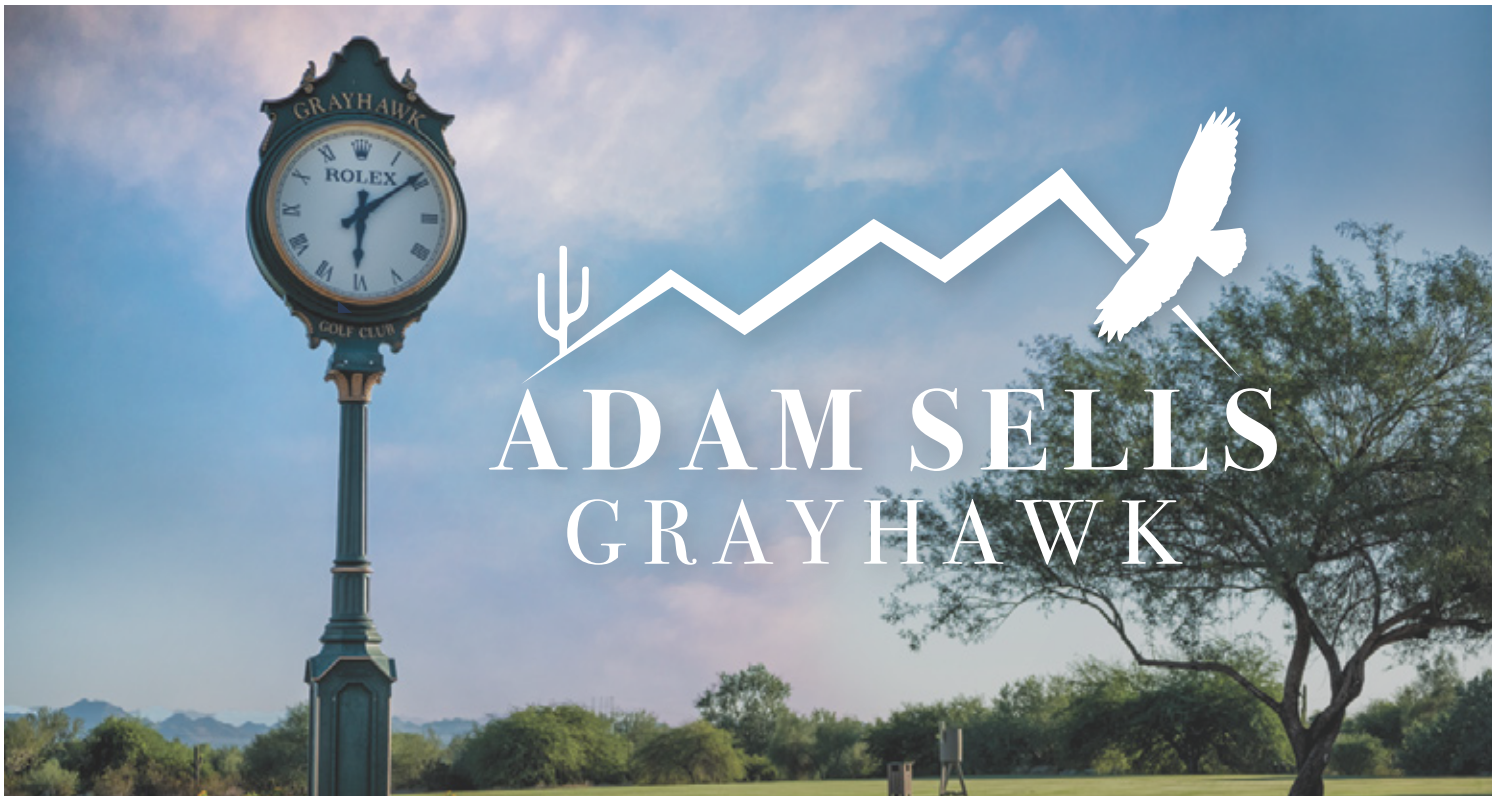
- When possible, choose a fast-food restaurant that has healthy options or is flexible on how food is prepared.
- My favorite places to grab a quick, healthy meal include Chipotle, Crisp & Green, and Tocaya Organica. I realize Crisp & Green and Tocaya Organica are only in certain regions; however, there are many other options that can be discovered with a simple Internet search.
- There are also many grocery store delis that offer some good, healthy options for a quick meal or snack.

ON THE RUN

- Pick up a pre-made veggie sushi roll with brown rice.
- Pack your own lunch and snacks. A big green salad with beans, canned wild salmon or chicken for protein travels well, and it's easy to pack extra fruit and small portions of nuts for snacks.
- Pop into a grocery store and pick up pre-cut veggies and a container of hummus.
- Pre-blend extra smoothies for hectic mornings.
- Keep hard-boiled eggs on hand to pack in a cooler.
- Keep small bags of nuts in your car or purse if you need a quick snack.

Everyone is busy and there are many times when either eating out or grabbing food on the go is a necessity. Being prepared and mindful of your choices will be important for eating healthy. It will take some planning in some cases; however, will become easier with more practice.

Feel free to contact me at: tina@tinahealthcoach.com or my cell (612.720.3596).



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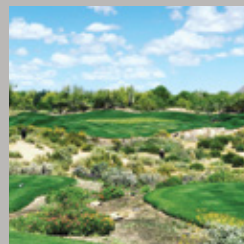
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Our Desert, Our Home: How to Water Your Trees

By Victoria Kauzlarich, *Volare*

If you know what to look for, it's easy to tell that this Mesquite is thirsty. Perpetually thirsty.

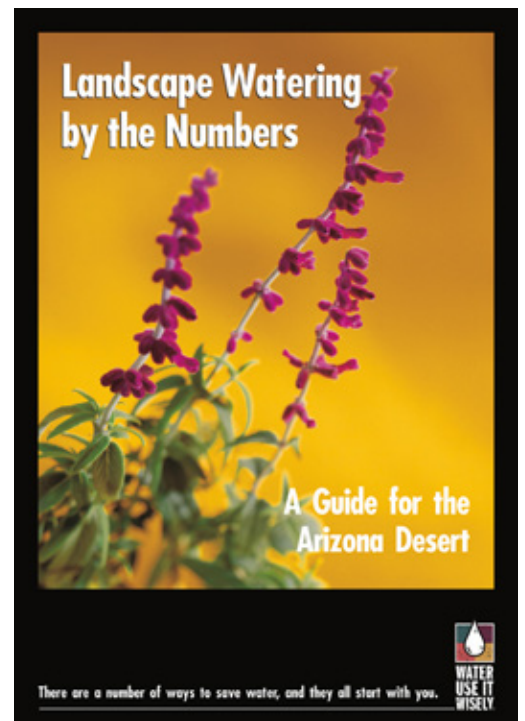
Welcome to how and when to water your trees. In just a few minutes, you'll be able to tell that this tree is indeed always thirsty, along with a little explainer about why and how to fix it.

When They're Young

Newly-planted trees require a lot of water to encourage their roots to reach outward. This is crucial in a tree's early development because roots that aim away from the tree help anchor it. You want those roots to reach the drip line beneath the outermost branches and continue to do so throughout its life.

Landscape Watering by the Numbers - a booklet available at the GCA Office (and also online) — is an excellent resource for your entire landscape. Follow the schedule in the booklet religiously and your new plants and trees will get off to a good start.

Ask your nursery for a watering schedule for your new tree. Once it settles in, your new tree will need to be deeply watered once a month.





Blue = 1/2 gal/hr
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 Red = 2 gal/hr
 Green Flag Emitter = 4 gal/hr

Like all desert plants, desert trees benefit from a drenching followed by the opportunity to dry out. I water my trees once a month for about three hours. That allows the water to soak down about 24-36". The soil will then slowly dry out until the next drenching. Water like a monsoon and your trees will reward you with stellar root development.

Emitters

As your tree grows, you should move its emitters toward the edge of the drip line of the tree's canopy. Depending on the size of the tree, you should have 4 - 6 two-gallon emitters to give it a thorough drenching. With 4 two-gallon emitters, your tree will get 24 gallons of water each month (4 emitters x 2 gallons of water per hour x 3 hours of watering).

Do you have plants under the tree's canopy? If so, each will have its own emitter and this will serve to water your tree's surface roots.

How do we know the tree in the banner photo is thirsty? Here's a close-up of the tree's base. It has just one two-gallon emitter.

Take another look at the photo above and note that the nearest shrubs aren't anywhere near the drip line of the canopy so this tree depends on that single emitter and natural rainfall. Translation? This tree is perpetually thirsty.

Learning Emitter-Speak

In a drip irrigation system, emitters are the point where water is delivered to your plants. Normally above ground, these regulate the amount of water and the rate at which the water is delivered.

Put another way, these are the colorful thingies watering your plants. Their color tells you how much water (in gallons per hour or GPH) each releases. For our purposes, we're going to cover two types of emitters: flag and pressure compensating.

Flag emitters are the shape of small flags. The size of the hole in the emitter dictates the rate of water flow. These are commonly used but not optimal.

Pressure compensating emitters are better because they regulate the flow of water uniformly - regardless of fluctuations in water pressure. Our irrigation systems are designed to deliver about 20 psi (pounds per square inch) of water. The key word in that description is "about". That's why the choice of an emitter is important.

Emitters are color coded so that you can tell at a glance how much water each one will deliver. Unfortunately, there aren't standards for this so, once you get your emitters from a source, stick to that source so that you can consistently rely on that company's color coding scheme.

I get my pressure compensating emitters from Ewing Irrigation & Landscape Supply at Adobe & Miller. They come in bags of 25 or 100. They look like this.

In this color coding system, the blue emitter delivers 1/2 gal of water per hour and is best for succulents and cacti. The black ones deliver 1 gal/hr. The red ones deliver 2 gal/hr and are great for shrubs and trees.

The green flag emitter in this photo delivers 4 gal/hr and should only be used on trees.

This month's take away? Water like a Monsoon. Pull your emitters away from the tree's base, out to the drip line. Let your trees dry out between waterings.

Your trees will reward you by being healthier and more resilient to whatever mother nature might throw their way.

The Growing Season

By John Eubank, DLC Field Manager

Does your warm-season, hybrid Bermuda grass look sparse or weak? The culprit may be continuous overseeding. Often times, this is due to the competition for nutrients between the Bermuda grass and the perennial Ryegrass used in fall overseeding. Overseeding leaves the Bermuda needing recovery time to build strength and vitality before the next growing season.

Overseeding in the fall does not allow Bermuda grass to complete its normal growing cycle before winter dormancy approaches. Much like a bear preparing for hibernation, Bermuda spends the weeks and months prior to the cold season storing the reserves it needs to keep its roots and stems alive through the winter. Overseeding interrupts this process and often, die-back results in the root system. The effects of interrupting this process are seen in the spring when weather conditions are right for Bermuda to begin growing again. The thick, tall Ryegrass will keep the Bermuda shaded and cool, which prolongs the dormancy period. By keeping the Bermuda dormant longer, the percentage of Bermuda that runs out of food before it can begin to photosynthesize increases.

When the Bermuda does come out of dormancy, it must contend with the Ryegrass for nutrients while the Ryegrass is at its strongest. Ryegrass is a fierce competitor for all the resources

required for Bermuda to grow: sunlight, water, nutrients and even oxygen. During early spring, the Bermuda is at a disadvantage during the time it should be strengthening to withstand the extreme heat and dryness of a typical Arizona summer. By mid-summer, the Ryegrass dies out and physically impedes the Bermuda's ability to spread. The dead Ryegrass must be removed through dethatching, which may further injure and set back the Bermuda. In most cases, the Bermuda does not get the time needed to recover because overseeding starts again in just a few weeks.

We recommend suspending the overseeding process for at least one season to help restore the root system and nutrients of the Bermuda grass.

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During the Dormant Months

Not overseeding turf areas with winter Ryegrass changes the focus of your seasonal practices. The steps below will help you prepare for the next season of Bermuda grass during the winter:

- Mow twice monthly to maintain a clean appearance and even look
- Control weeds
- Top dress to fill in holes and areas of compaction

What To Expect

Bermuda grass can stay green until the first frost, usually the middle of December. Around the middle to end of March, when nighttime temperatures begin to approach 60 degrees, Bermuda starts to grow again and returns to a regular mow and care cycle. It should also be noted that by not overseeding there are significant

savings that can be helpful to any household. Below is a copy of an article written by a Water Conservation Specialist, highlighting some of the additional benefits.

In Your Community

With the benefits above in mind, we will not be overseeding selected sections of your common areas this fall. This means that after Bermuda enters its dormant period this winter, it will begin to lose its green color and will remain blonde through the cooler months. Allowing this turf to rest for the winter will help result in stronger future Bermuda crops for your Community.

We recommend suspending the overseeding process for at least one season to help restore the root system and nutrients of the Bermuda grass.

Looking for Reasons to Not Overseed with Winter Rye?

by Donna DiFrancesco, Water Conservation Specialist, City of Mesa, Arizona

Sustaining a lush, green lawn throughout the year is appealing to many home and business owners. So if you're looking for a reason not to overseed, take a look at these...

Top Ten Reasons Not to Overseed with Winter Rye

1. **Save time** - No need to scalp the lawn, prepare the seedbed, seed, water, or mow.
2. **Save water** - Getting rye grass seed to germinate requires watering three times a day or more. By not overseeding, over 8,000 gallons of water can be saved for every 1,000 square feet of grass each season.
3. **Preserve water quality** - Less fertilizers and pesticides will be needed. Much of our water pollution comes from runoff of these products from urban landscapes.
4. **Save money** - Save on the cost of seed, labor, water, and gas for mowing.
5. **Save landfill space** - Scalping Bermuda grass creates a great deal of waste for the landfills.
6. **Save the air** - Gasoline mowers and other lawn equipment contribute to our air pollution problems, and the scalping process releases dust and other particles into the air.
7. **Decrease noise pollution** - Mowers, weed whackers, and leaf blowers have become a major source of background noise in many neighborhoods.
8. **Save frustration** - Problems with seed germination, fertilizers, diseases, and irrigation are all common when planting a winter lawn.
9. **Set an example** - We live in a desert and this is an opportunity to demonstrate your community leadership with a responsible outlook towards our water supply.
10. **And the #1 Reason Not to Overseed with Winter Rye...**
To give your Bermuda a break! Overseeding can be stressful for your Bermuda grass. In the fall, scalping the summer grass before dormancy doesn't allow for adequate storage of energy in the roots. In the spring, the rye competes with Bermuda, and customers often withhold water to transition from winter to summer grass. Unfortunately, this will also stress the Bermuda.



Covenants Corner

By Kasey Jo Hudson, Covenants Coordinator

Hello Grayhawk Residents! As mentioned in last month's issue of Grayhawk Flight, I am the new Covenant Coordinator for the community. Since starting in July, I have had the pleasure of meeting some members of the community while I've been on site doing inspections. The most asked question I receive is "what is covenants?" I thought I would take some time to explain my role, what I'm looking for and how we can work together to ensure the standards of Grayhawk are upheld.

Covenants is part of the CC&R's (Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions) you received when you moved into the Grayhawk Community. The CC&R's give great guidance on what is expected of homeowners that chose to live in the community. Some of you may be thinking the HOA is here to make your lives miserable, tell you all of the things you can't do to your home and create revenue by issuing fines. That couldn't be further from the truth. The Grayhawk Community Association truly cares about the community and its residents. In fact, the primary goal of the guidelines and covenants is to protect the value of your home. We are here to work with you, not against you. I really want to stress that WE ARE HERE TO WORK WITH YOU.

Since the start of the pandemic, the Association has been a little more lenient enforcing the CC&R's. From illness to unemployment to working at home with kids learning virtually, many of you have had much bigger problems in many of your lives than weeds, and we wanted to be sensitive to that. My job now is to help homeowners circle back to addressing any potential violations in order to keep the community looking fantastic.

I will be spending the next few months working on identifying compliance concerns throughout the entire community. That means courtesy letters will be going out with any current violations you may have. The purpose of these letters is to disclose community concerns and open up a line of communication to discuss when the concerns will be addressed/corrected. I know that some violations are more difficult to rectify than others, whether it be for financial reasons, time of the year or delays due to the pandemic. I will do my best to work with you as long as you keep an open line of communication with me.

There's a reason you chose to live here. My goal is to make sure it continues to be a place you take pride in and want to call home.



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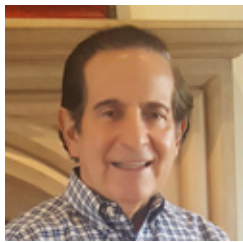
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New Trash and Recycling Days

Beginning November 1, 2021, most Scottsdale trash and recycling residential customers will have a new pick-up day.



Scottsdale will now pick up recycling and trash five days a week. To achieve this about 95 percent of Scottsdale residents will have a change to trash and/or recycling curbside days, including those in Grayhawk.

The primary reason for this day of service change is to improve efficiency and make it easier to process recyclables. Current trash and recycling routes have become unbalanced due to the growth of the city. The new collection schedule is based on the number of homes on a route and the amount/weight of solid waste and recycling collected.

Operating more efficiently means the city can balance the size of collection routes to provide more consistent service, preserve the longevity of collection vehicles by carrying the right sized loads and not overload our recycling processing center. These changes will not affect planned solid waste rate increases and should help stabilize future rates.

What does it mean for Grayhawk?

Grayhawk recycle (pink cans) will be picked on Tuesday and trash (black cans) will be picked up on Thursday.

As we embrace this new schedule, we'd like to remind you of a few trash and recycle basics.

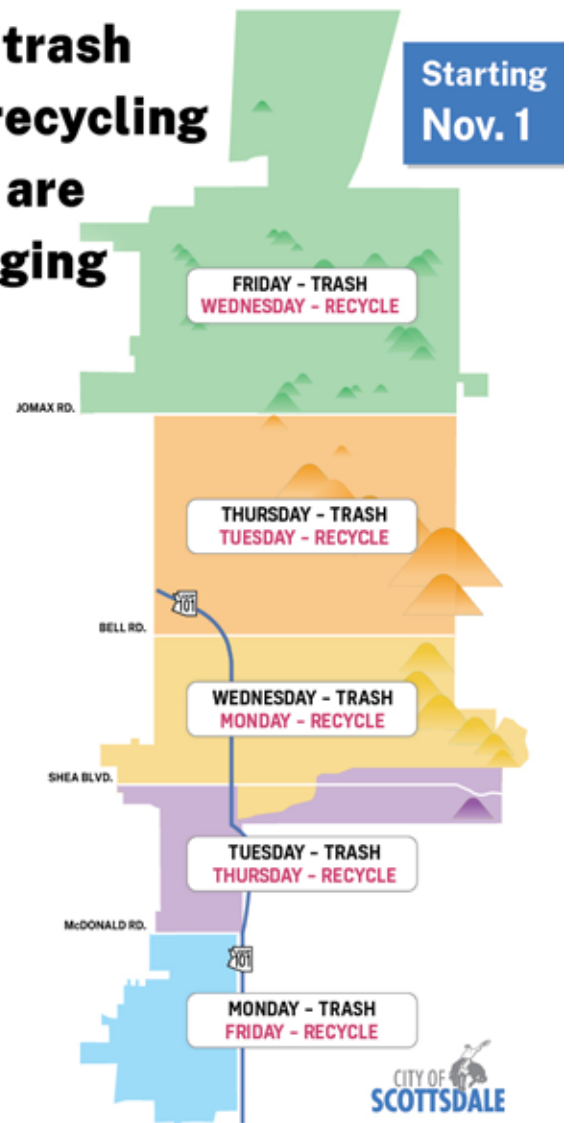
- The City of Scottsdale asks that you place your container on the street with wheels against the curb by no later than 5 a.m. on collection days. Grayhawk guidelines stipulate that you can place your can on the street after 3 p.m. the day before collection and it must be brought back behind your gate or out of view from the street by no later than 10 a.m. the day following collection.
- Keep your container at least four feet from other containers, parked cars, mailboxes and other obstacles that may prevent our crews from picking it up.
- Bag and tie garbage and yard clippings before placing them in your trash container. This helps to control odor and pests and is required by law.
- Don't place electronics, hazardous waste, rocks, dirt or bulking materials in your trash container.

- Make sure your recyclable materials are clean, empty and dry.
- Do not place plastic bags or liners in your recycling container and make sure it contains only items on the accepted recycling materials list, found on the City of Scottsdale website by searching "trash".
- Don't overfill either container and make sure the lid closes.

For more information visit the City of Scottsdale website or call 480-312-5353.

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Sip and Tell

By Sue Lukenbill, Encore Resident

October ...the month when we can finally say goodbye to the hot weather and feel the first hints of an Arizona fall. I say it every year, but I am more than ready for the cooler temperatures.

One of my favorite aspects of fall is football! It is fun to watch at home, but there's something special about heading to a local bar and catching the game with fellow fans that all share the same love of the game. I just love the sound of whistles and cheering, the smell of good bar food and the feeling that you've stepped away from the world for a minute to relax.

This month, Grayhawk Director of Communications Jennifer Sheets and I visited a great little spot to catch a game. **Rooster Tavern Kitchen** replaced **Dilly's Deli** four years ago off of Scottsdale Rd., just south of Acoma Rd. They are open daily for brunch, lunch, dinner and late-night dining and offer great American tastes with a unique spin.

Jennifer found this gem on Yelp and we decided to venture outside of our comfort zone and make a visit due to the fantastic reviews about their food. We were pleasantly surprised! The luxury neighborhood dive bar was quite busy when we visited for lunch. At 11:30 a.m. there wasn't an empty seat at the bar as men sat around having a beer and enjoying conversation. It didn't take long for the rest of the place to start filling up as well, which I believe is a testament to their great menu. In my younger years, I use to go to a place like this in Cupertino, CA with family. I really love the vibe!

I ordered the Boursin Burger which was a 1/2 lb. beef burger, Boursin cheese, crispy applewood bacon, caramelized onions on a grilled brioche bun. It was honestly the best burger I have had in a long time. The only negative is that I wished my bacon was a little more crisp. Jennifer Sheets ordered the Diablo Turkey Wrap which was thinly sliced turkey breast, grilled w/jalapeno jack cheese and hatch green chilies on a grilled flour tortilla with sriracha ranch



sauce. We both ordered fries as our side and agreed they were delicious. I sometimes think you can rate a restaurant just off of the quality of their fries. Jennifer also ordered spaghetti squash for us to try. Yes, this is a bar with spaghetti squash as a side dish!

Their menu has something for everyone, from lobster mac 'n cheese to red chili beef to a chopped salad. They also feature daily specials including items like all you can eat fish fry, meatloaf, roasted chicken and a rack of ribs. They host happy hour Monday through Friday from 3-6 p.m. with both food and drink specials. During football season brunch items like stuffed French toast and green chili pork hash are served Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

This is a great place to go with friends. The service is great, and the menu is awesome. They even have live music. Give yourself a treat this football season and stop by, especially if you happen to be a Kansas City Chiefs fan!

Until next month, stay safe, and healthy and Happy Halloween.

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