

PARKWOOD

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Join us for a “Day of Service” in Parkwood Ranch April 12

On April 12 from 7-11am, join your neighbors as the Parkwood HOA participates in a “day of service” to help paint the ash trees in the community.

Many of the ash trees that line Cheshire and Farmdale roads need their trunks painted, to avoid sun damage and to help deter pests. The HOA will provide paint and supplies for the event. Approximately 330 trees need to be painted.

Homeowners interested in helping should meet at the Farmdale Park by 7am.



Payment Address

Please note the address to send your quarterly assessments has changed. Whether you pay online, with automatic bill pay, or by sending in a check via the US Postal Service, you must change the address the payment is going to or your payment could be late.

The new address is:

Parkwood Ranch Homeowner’s Association
633 E. Ray Rd. • Suite 122
Gilbert, AZ 85296

Board Meetings

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

March 24, 2014

Arch. Review Committee Mtg. - 7-7:30 pm.

Board Meeting/General Session - 7:30 p.m.

April 28, 2014

Annual Meeting of the Members - 7:30pm

May 2014 - No Meeting

June 2014 - No Meeting

July 2014 - No Meeting

August 25, 2014

Arch. Review Committee Mtg. - 7-7:30 pm.

Board Meeting/General Session - 7:30 p.m.

March 29, 2014

**COMMUNITY
YARD SALE**



Want to grow your own veggies? Rent a bed at the Mesa Urban Garden in downtown Mesa

Want a garden, but don't have the space or supplies? Rent a bed at the Mesa Urban Garden and get your green thumb on!

For as little as \$80 you can rent a 4ft x 6ft garden bed ready for planting. Each plot includes:

- High quality compost and soil
- Battery-Operated Irrigation Timer and Drip Irrigation System
- Onsite Setup and Support
- Tool access/Tool storage
- Garden Events, Classes and Contests and Newsletter

For more information on the garden, visit www.mesaurbangarden.com,



Does your home need to be repainted?

Is the paint on your home discolored, streaking or fading? Is the trim, or fascia, peeling, flaking and fading? If you answered yes, then it's time to repaint your home.

Many homes in Parkwood Ranch are more than 10-years old, and are showing signs of age. From stucco needing repair to peeling paint on the trim, it's time for homeowners to begin painting their homes.

In January 2014, the Association will begin leaving residents sticky note reminders to paint their homes. As a homeowner in the Parkwood Ranch Community Master Association, you have agreed to maintain your home and property according to the CCRs and Architectural Design Guidelines. Save time and avoid the hassle of violation notices by planning to repaint your home in the next few months.

Before painting, homeowners must get pre-approval and must submit an architectural request form. To make it easier to repaint your home, pre-approved paint colors can be found at www.rcoalition.com/pkwpaintcolors.htm. Please note you must still submit for approval, but by choosing from the pre-approved color combination schemes, it will take only one business day to receive the green light to repaint your home.

At the August 2013 meeting, the Board voted to require homeowners to paint their doors the same color as the body/base or trim of their home. Please keep this in mind when choosing your paint colors.

There are many painting contractors to choose from: Be sure to check with the Better Business Bureau and neighbors for the names of reputable painters.





The rubberized surface in the park near Chatsworth and Capri will be replaced. Vandals have burned part of the surface, as well as the nearby picnic tables. Neighbors are encouraged to call the Mesa Police Department if they see vandalism occur in the community.



The City of Mesa offers two off-leash dog parks

There are two parks where Fido can run free and off leash in Mesa - Quail Run and Countryside Parks.

The off leash dog areas are completely fenced and feature areas for timid and active dogs, park benches, and water fountains for both people and dogs.

Owners are responsible for the behavior of their pet and are requested to keep their dog under control.

Dogs on-leash are welcome at all City of Mesa Parks.

Off -Leash Dog Parks

Quail Run Park

North of McDowell Road off Greenfield

Open: Sunrise - 10pm
(Closed on Thursdays for maintenance)

Countryside Park

Open: Sunrise - 10pm
3130 E. Southern Ave
(Closed on Tuesdays for maintenance)



Celebrate Mesa features fun for the whole family

Celebrate Mesa will be held this year on April 26 from 2-6pm at Pioneer Park, 526 E. Main Street in Mesa.

This annual event is sponsored by the City of Mesa and features activities, vendors and food booths for the whole family, including:

- Bounce houses and carnival rides
- Zip line and tethered hot air balloon rides
- Entertainment and give-aways
- Information vendors
- Food vendors

How to control Dodder weed

From DLC Resources

Have you ever walked by a shrub that looked like it was covered with spaghetti? No, it's not cloudy with a chance of meatballs – the plant is infected with a weed called Dodder. This parasitic vine is extremely difficult to eradicate. What is a parasitic vine? It's a weed that depends on a host plant for all of its needs.

How to Identify Dodder

To spot Dodder, look for long, slender, thread like stems that kind of look like spaghetti. It may also have bell shaped flowers that are cream colored. Dodder is a tricky weed because it grows and branches out to nearby plants very easily. Because of this ability, it often looks like a matted mess covering up a whole plant. The more vines there are, the more energy is removed from the host plant causing damage to it.

One of the biggest challenges with Dodder is its seeds. Dodder is a flowering plant and its flowers will produce thousands of seeds which, when mature, will fall to the soil

below. The seeds have a very hard coat around them and stay dormant in the soil until the right conditions come around to sprout. When it comes to getting rid of a Dodder infestation, it is the seeds that cause the greatest headache, which is why prevention is so important.

Removal

At the first sign of Dodder, pull it off the plant and throw it away. Check the infestation site often because the weed may quickly regrow so it's important to keep pulling. If you see Dodder soon after it has attached itself to a host, prune the infected portion of the host plant 1/8 to 1/4 inch below the point of the attachment, otherwise the dodder can regenerate. If the Dodder is attached to a shrub or tree, pruning is only helpful if it is confined to one or two branches. Removing any more than that will most likely cause major damage to the host shrub or tree.



Because Dodder is extremely difficult to destroy once it has taken over a plant, it is important to try to end the growth cycle. Use a pre-emergent herbicide like oryzaline that, when added to the soil under the infested plants, will kill the seed before it grows. Currently, there are no post-emergent herbicides that kill dodder without also killing the host plant. If the infestation is completely unmanageable, removal of the host plant with its attached dodder may be the easiest solution.



Parkwood Ranch trash and recycling schedule

Monday is Trash
(black barrel)

Thursday is Recycling
(blue barrel)

Thursday is Green Trash
(green barrel)

For more information, visit www.mesarecycles.org

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Important Phone Numbers

- Police & Fire911
- Mesa Police Superstition Patrol Dist.480-644-4371
- Mesa Animal Control 480-644-2268
- Mesa Fire Non-Emergency # 480-644-2101
- City of Mesa.....480-644-2011

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