

Rio Crossing

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2018 HOA MEETINGS

January 25th

February 22nd

March 22nd

April 26th

May 24th

June 28th



Barbara Robey Elementary
School Media Center
5340 N. Wigwam Creek Blvd

Design Review Committee - Meets at 6:30pm

Open Session - Meets at 7:00pm

Executive Session (Closed) Meets at 8:30pm

*****Note** - After the Open Session the Board will have the Executive Session in accordance with ARS §33-1804(A) (1 thru 5)

**Remember November meeting moved to the 30th due to Thanksgiving
~and~**

December 14, 2017 meeting cancelled

Architectural meeting only at Roma Park Ramada

All schedules are subject to change. Get the most current information on our community website at:

www.riocrossing.org

Everyone is encouraged to attend to voice your opinions.

HOA BOARD

Congratulations to Ray Harwood and Andres Montoya on being elected to the Board. Your current board members are:

Julia Anderson
Matt Kretschmer
Ray Harwood
Lori McDonald
Andres Montoya



HOLIDAY DECORATIONS



Holiday lights and decorations are enjoyed by many but remember they must be decorations normally displayed in single family residential neighborhoods, a reasonable size and scope, do not disturb other owners or residents by excessive light or sound emission. Seasonal decorations must be removed within fifteen (15) days after the date of the holiday. That is January 9th.

LASER LIGHTS

If you purchased the new laser lights that are so popular right now, please make sure that they are not pointed up where they may affect a pilot's vision. This has been on TV lately and is very serious.

PETS & THE HOLIDAYS

Always make sure your pet is on a leash when outside your home. When walking them, please pick up their waste & dispose of it properly in the doggy stations.

This time of year can be stressful for our pets with the extra activities, company, lights & noises. Extra care needs to be taken to ensure pets are in a secure place where they feel safe & cannot escape.

In addition there are a lot of things prevalent this time of year that can be harmful to your pets or even cause death. Mistletoe & Poinsettia's are very toxic, icicles and glass ornaments can cause problems, & and we all know that chocolate can also be lethal if your dog eats it.



FALL EVENT

Our Fall Event was a huge success. We had some good food and great prizes donated by Somerset Landscape, HOA Playground, Safe and Sound Playground, Truly Nolan and AAM. Thank you to the Social Committee and everyone who helped pull this fun event together. It's hard work and they did a fantastic job!

HOLIDAY SECURITY TIPS

Here's a few home security tips to help keep your holiday season on the bright side.

Lock Everything!

The City of Avondale has a program called "Lock It! Hide It! Keep It!", and there's good reason "Lock It" comes first. Many times someone with criminal intentions will simply walk through a neighborhood checking for unlocked doors on homes and vehicles, and as soon as they find one, they're in and out in a flash. Sometimes if they see that nobody is home, they'll stay for some added mischief.

The simple habit of keeping everything locked is your best deterrent against these "target of opportunity" thieves. Remember to lock your windows, too! Look up "window locks" and "sash pins" for inexpensive, easy-to-use items for all your ground-level windows.

Wait to Post on Social Media

It's not always a stranger who visits your empty home: sometimes it's someone you know. Don't post on social media anything like "Going to Mom and Dad's place for our holiday dinner tonight" - that's a dead giveaway that your place will be unoccupied. It's also a good idea to wait till you get home before posting pictures of any holiday festivities or events, since posting a "live" picture of everyone gathered around the dinner table is a pretty good indicator that you're not home. Post when you get back home!

Find a Trustworthy Neighbor

Hopefully you have met someone in your neighborhood whom you trust enough to "have your back" when you're away. (Don't have one? You should start a Block Watch program!) Be sure that trusted neighbor has your updated contact information and knows when you intend to be gone, so they can be extra observant. Let them know that if they spot a crime in progress or any suspicious person in or around your home, they should call 911 first, then call you.



Vehicles

Approximately 60% of all thefts from vehicles are from car doors being left unlocked.

Home Maintenance

To deter burglars at your home keep the canopy of your tree at least 7 feet above the ground and your shrubs 3 feet or lower, particularly around windows.

Packages

If you are expecting packages in the mail, please keep an eye out for them. Better yet have them delivered to your neighbor or office to prevent theft.

AVONDALE NON-EMERGENCY NUMBER

Put this in your phone: Avondale Police Non-Emergency (623) 333-7001.

Call them anytime you have a non-emergency concern.

*When it snows, ain't it thrillin' . . .
Though your nose, gets to chillin' . . .
We'll frolic and play . . .
The Eskimo way . . .
Walking in a
Winter Wonderland!*

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Leaves & Other Landscape Debris - Particularly this time of year with the leaves dropping, please remove them on a regular basis so they don't blow into your neighbor's yard and to keep Rio Crossing looking its best.

Changes to Your Lot - Be sure to submit and receive approval before making any changes to the outside of your home that can be seen from the street, common areas or neighboring properties. This includes painting your home.

Submit On-Line - Did you know that you can submit your architectural submittal forms on-line? All you do is log on to AAM's website at www.associatedasset.com. On the top, right corner is a button that says Homeowner Resources, click on it, click on Homeowner Forms, Architectural Submission and follow the prompts.

Weeds - How would you like to not spend your weekends pulling weeds and at the same time not receive a violation letter from Melanie regarding weeds in your yard? There is an easy way. Apply pre-emergent just two times a year! Right now is a great time to apply the pre-emergent. Talk to your favorite nursery to see what brand will work best for you.

Bulk Trash - Remember bulk trash **pick up is the 2nd Monday** of the month. Again it cannot be placed at curbside prior to the evening before. This is strictly prohibited. The bulk trash schedule for 2018 is included in this newsletter.

Over-seeding - You've probably noticed the grass turning brown and going dormant. The Board decided to not over-seed this year and give the Bermuda a break which is recommended every few years.

AVONDALE BULK TRASH PICK UP



Remember to set your bulk pile curbside no sooner than the weekend before the 2nd Monday.

- ◆ The bulk pile must be neat, and not be larger than 6' x 6' x 6'. More than this amount is your responsibility.
- ◆ Your pile shall not be placed on the sidewalk.
- ◆ Long items must be cut, stacked, and tied into 3' long bundles. Small items must be bagged
- ◆ See dates below

2018 Schedule

January 9th	July 9th
February 12th	August 13th
March 12th	September 10th
April 9th	October 8th
May 14th	November 12th
June 11th	December 10th

Accepted Items:

- ◆ Furniture, mattresses/box springs, TV's bicycles
- ◆ Loose debris/trash/leaves/grass (bagged)
- ◆ Appliances (Freon must be removed)
- ◆ Grills (propane or coals removed)
- ◆ Cardboard boxes collapsed and bundled (stack & tied)
- ◆ Pipes or any long items cut to 3 foot lengths and bundled
- ◆ Green waste (tree limbs,) bundled 3 foot long pieces

Unaccepted Items:

- ◆ Whole or un-bundled bushes or trees
- ◆ Household hazardous waste (paint, chemicals, oil, batteries)
- ◆ Appliances containing Freon
- ◆ Medical waste, needles & medicine
- ◆ Metal over 50 pounds
- ◆ Tires (take these to the county land-fill)
- ◆ Glass (windows, patio doors, mirrors, etc.)
- ◆ Bricks, concrete, dirt, rocks, asphalt, roofing or similar material



SANTA'S REINDEER

Santa's reindeer were first introduced to us in the poem "Twas the Night Before Christmas" in 1823.



Greetings From Your Manager!

"Happy Holidays" to you and your family. I truly hope your home is filled with laughter, memories, and peace this season.

I appreciate your business and look forward to our continued partnership towards the betterment of Rio Crossing.

Happy Holidays and have a Happy, Healthy New Year.

Melanie Veach



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