

From the Board of Directors

Summer is almost here. Children are out of school so pay special attention to your vehicle speed. We wish you a happy and safe summer. To help you in being safer this summer, and in general, we have provided the following safety information courtesy of *Officer Tim Mitten # 5279*, Community Action Officer, Black Mountain Precinct. Officer Mitten can be reached at 602-495-5238 or at tim.mitten@phoenix.gov if you have any questions or concerns in your community.

Vacation Security Tips

Here are some vacation security tips that you should consider utilizing to safeguard your home and valuables.

- Ask a neighbor to watch the house while you are away. It is a good idea to leave your vacation address and telephone number with a trusted neighbor so you can be reached in case of an emergency.
- Never leave your house key hidden outside your home.
- Stop all deliveries and arrange for a neighbor to pick up your mail, newspapers and packages that may get delivered.
- Arrange for someone to maintain your yard to give the home a lived in look.
- Plug in timers to turn on lights and a radio / television on and off at appropriate times.
- Turn the phone ringer off or down low and **do not** announce your absence on an answering machine or voicemail.
- Try **not** to post on social media sites like Twitter and Facebook your vacationing status. You never know who could be viewing your activities, such as friends of friends you have allowed in to see your site.
- Leave your blinds, curtains or shades in a normal position. **Do not** close them unless that is what you normally do.
- Close and lock garage doors (including door entering house from garage), all doors leading to the exterior of the house and windows. Ask a neighbor to park a car on occasion in your driveway or if you leave a car at home park it as you normally would. Vehicles parked outside should be moved occasionally to appear that they are being used. **Do not** leave any valuables in plain view in cars.
- Lock and secure all gates, storage sheds, and even electrical boxes.
- Contact the police substation in the precinct where you live to request a vacation watch while you are gone. The Black Mountain Precinct main desk number is 602-495-5002.

Crime and Vandalism



Crime and vandalism has been reported in our quiet community. One home was broken into and valuables were taken. In another case tires and rims were removed from a truck, IN THE DRIVEWAY. In yet another case, someone used someone's yard to turn around in damaging plants and fixtures. If you see or hear something suspicious or are witness to crime or vandalism, call the Police Department at 911 for emergencies. For non-emergencies call Crime Stop at 602-262-6151 and then please inform The Morrison Group as well. Do not confront the criminals yourself. Get license plate numbers of any vehicles as well as a description of the vehicle and occupants. This will help keep our community safe for our children and loved ones.

Solicitation and Handbilling

Did you know? Commercial solicitors may go door to door only between 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. from April 1st to September 30th and from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. from October 1st through March 31st. Every commercial solicitor over the age of 16 must carry some form of government issued identification that includes a photo, date of birth and physical description. Any solicitor 15 and under, a school ID with a photo or regular government issued identification will work. These ID's must be displayed to any homeowner upon request.

Did you know? Solicitors have rules of conduct. Commercial solicitors must obey all signs such as "**No Soliciting**", "**No Trespassing**", "**No Handbills**" or anything similar. This means that they are not allowed to enter the property, pass through gates or doors, and not make physical contact with windows or doors on the property. They also may not leave on the driveway or other portion of the premises any handbill or solicitation when it is apparent the property is unoccupied, the previous day's handbills or solicitations have not been removed or the owner has not given their permission. They also may not falsely claim to have a government issued business or regulatory or tax license.

However, there are a few exceptions, which include religious organizations, political organizations, and school benefit organizations. It also exempts employees and agents of public utilities in which they need to perform duties required by law or to communicate service interruptions. For more information on this ordinance you can go to the phoenix.gov website under door to door.

Checkout the following Police websites for additional information.

http://www.phoenix.gov/police/precinct_boundries_draft.pdf

http://www.phoenix.gov/police/cristat_maps.html

<http://www.phoenix.gov/police/200bmp1.html> Black Mountain Precinct Area 22

Phoenix Desert View Village

Are you curious about what is going on in the Phoenix Desert View Village that you are a part of? Check out <http://www.phoenix.gov/PUBMEETC/indxhtml.html> before the first Tuesday of each month and look for DESERT VIEW VILLAGE PLANNING COMMITTEE. For example, on June 7th they had topics like:

- Presentation, discussion, and recommendation on a request to establish a Scenic Corridor Policy for the State Route 51 from the Phoenix Mountain Preserve to the Loop 101 and for the Loop 101 from the Phoenix/Scottsdale border (Scottsdale Road) to the Phoenix/Glendale border (51st Avenue).
- Presentation, discussion, and recommendation on a request to amend the Street Classification Map to identify and include two new scenic corridors along State Route 51 from the northern boundary of the Phoenix Mountain Preserve to the Loop 101 and along the Loop 101 from the Phoenix/Scottsdale border (Scottsdale Road) to the Phoenix/Glendale border (51st Avenue).

Still, some of the re-occurring issues in the community that can only be solved by each of us as homeowners are:

Clean up after your Dog

Clean up after your pets. Please be responsible for picking up after your dog no matter where you walk your dog. It is your dog and your responsibility. Do not leave it on the sidewalk, someone's driveway or yard, or the middle of the road for someone to step around. Thank you.



As a reminder it is the responsibility of each homeowner to be familiar with *CC&Rs* and *Landscape and Design Guidelines and Associated Rules for the Colina Del Norte Homeowner's Association*. If you need a copy please refer to them on our website, www.colinadelnorte.com

Please remember to consult the guidelines prior to implementing improvements or changes and submit an Architectural Request for approval if needed. If you are not sure, it is always best to check before starting the project to avoid the possibility of having to make changes once the project is completed. Please make sure you have an approved Architectural Request form prior to painting your home to make sure you have the correct color option as allowed by the CC&R's and the Guidelines. A book of the home color options is available for your review. Please let The Morrison Group know if you have questions.

Thank You to all who have worked with the process. If you have any questions on the process or the status of your architectural request please feel free to check with The Morrison Group or please attend a monthly board meeting.

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Future Board Meetings

(If changes are made to schedule a notice will be placed on website and in the Information Kiosk by front gate)

Meeting Time 6:30 PM
Meeting Location - Black Mountain Police Precinct
33355 Cave Creek Road, Cave Creek, AZ 85331

June 21, 2011

July 12, 2011

August 16, 2011

September 20, 2011

Homeowners are always welcome, and encouraged to attend! It is your community, please be involved.

