

COMMUNITY BULLETIN

May 2017



Temperatures are quickly approaching that triple digit mark, snowbirds are leaving, and it also means our community sponsored activities are winding down. Book Club will meet May 1 to review “City of Light” by Lauren Belfer and then are off for the summer. If you want a head start for the fall, Nov 6th : “Alexander Hamilton” by Ron Chernow.

Thursday Evening Pool Gatherings: May 11th & 25th 5:00 p.m.

Bring an hors d’oeuvre to share and your own drink(s). No glass please!

Saturday morning coffees at the pool: May 6th & 20th 8:30 a.m.

In the event of SIZZLING temps above 95, the Thursday evening gatherings in May will be canceled. Notice will be posted at the pool. We wish you all a great summer and we will see you back in the fall.



Just a reminder, if you have an activity that you think might be well-received in our community, please let us know. We are always looking for more fun things to do as a community.



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Activity is good for you. My doctor always says “Keep moving!”

There are a number of activities – many you are likely doing already – which may burn more calories than you think.

Walking the dog – 225 calories

Gardening – 272 calories

Skateboarding – 340 calories



Thank you to everyone for taking care of your fruit trees!!

APRIL BOARD OF DIRECTOR’S MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

On behalf of Ed Burke, the Long Range Planning Chair, Hilda Banyon presented an update on the remodel project of the Ramada/pool/kitchen/bathrooms. A number of residents were in attendance and along with board members asked questions regarding the project. As a result of recent pool leaks, the remodel project has been placed on hold until fall. The ad hoc committee and Board of Director’s thank all those involved in the project planning and to the Community for your input and support. Stay tuned in the fall as the project continues.

Because of work commitments, Lisa Schabloski has resigned as Treasurer but will continue to serve on the Finance Committee. Hilda Banyon added “treasurer” responsibilities to her Secretary role until October when Doug Clark will take over the Treasurer position.

Randy Vogel was appointed Landscape Chair and member of the Architectural Control Committee. With this change comes a new “Change Request Form” (attached) to be completed when making changes to your front yard. Randy brings 30+ years of landscaping experience to this position. The “pavers guidelines” was also rewritten and is attached for your convenience.

Leslye and Ron LaBakken were appointed co-chairs of the Pool Committee. We apologized they were hit with a pool leak so quickly after starting their new responsibilities. Thank you for stepping in Leslye and Ron!

Our appreciation to Lisa, Ralph and Gordon for serving the community!

ACC Chair, Bob Bernstein, communicated that the ACC will begin holding regularly scheduled meetings (Sept-May) and that minutes will be posted on the website. These are “open” meetings and residents are encouraged to attend.

As a result of the recent fruit tree issues, a formal policy will be put into place in the very near future. If fruit trees are not picked in a timely manner, the ACC will notify the homeowner that the fruit needs to be picked. If the fruit is not taken care of by a given date, the ACC will have it done and the homeowner will be charged \$250. Watch for the formal written policy on the CdC website.

REMINDER: To inquire about any issue/question/concern you may have you can send an email to www.casadelcieloscottsdale@gmail.com. This email account is monitored daily and your email will be forwarded to the appropriate person for handling. Additionally, the hotline **(480) 767-5940** is monitored daily and you can leave a message with a question or to report a problem.



Casa del Cielo Homeowner's Association - Landscape Committee

Landscape Maintenance/Change Request Form

Date Submitted		Proposed Start Date	
Homeowner's Name		Phone Number	
Casa del Cielo Address/Lot #			
Nature of work requested			
Location on property			
Do you plan to contribute to the work financially? ___ Yes, totally ___ Partially/amount \$___ ___ No Estimated Cost to Casa del Cielo HOA: \$_____			
Date Received	Date Approved	Date Homeowner Contacted	Date Completed
Landscape Committee Comments/Approval			

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Scottsdale AZ, 85258

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Landscape Maintenance/Change Request Form

Instructions for Completion

For emergency situations such as broken irrigation lines, fallen trees, health and safety issues, etc., please call the CdC Hotline at 480-767-5940. This center is monitored by our Landscape Contractor.

The Landscape Maintenance/Change Request Form is meant to assist residents in communicating/documenting their desire to make or request changes their front yard landscaping. This form may be used to request plant replacement, plant removal, plant additions, changes from turf to xeriscaping, and any other desired changes. Residents are encouraged to check the CdC website for landscaping policies and guidelines and approved plant lists. (NOTE: If you are applying to install pavers on your walkway or driveway, you MUST submit an Architectural Change Request first to Scottsdale Ranch Community Association, and to attach this Landscape Change Form to your paver application.)

Your submitted form will be reviewed by a volunteer committee of your neighbors who form the Landscape Committee and operate under authorization granted by the Community's Architectural Control Committee. This Committee is charged by the Community's "CC&R's" to "provide for the orderly and attractive development and operation" of front yard properties.

Before submitting a Landscape Change Request, you may wish to request an informal meeting with the Chairperson or one of the Landscape Committee members who can assist you in understanding the general policies and guidelines for landscaping front yards and acquaint you with the list of approved trees and shrubs and well as paver guidelines. You may request such a meeting by emailing casadelcieloscottsdale@gmail.com or calling 480-767-5940.

Please respect the privacy of our committee volunteers and schedule a meeting by calling the CdC Hotline at 480-767-5940 or emailing casadelcieloscottsdale@gmail.com.

As long as your requested changes “look and feel” like most of your neighbors, approval is generally forthcoming. In those rare circumstances where your request cannot be honored, each resident has the right to request a review by the Architectural Control Committee, whose decision will be final.

Once your application has been received, the Landscape Committee will endeavor to respond as promptly as possible, generally within 15 days. Please understand that all Committee members are volunteers and some still have full time jobs so the response time may be variable.

Please understand you may not undertake any work before receiving notification of approval and we ask your cooperation in not requesting your landscape contractor to begin work without such approval.

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Architectural Control Committee Standards and Criteria for Installation of Pavers

Background

Recognizing the aesthetics and community benefit to installing driveway and sidewalk pavers, Casa del Cielo HOA has approved the installation of pavers subject to the following standards. Requests to install pavers must be submitted on the current Scottsdale Ranch Architectural Application Form found on both the Casa del Cielo and Scottsdale Ranch website.

I. Type: Pavers may be obtained from Phoenix Pavers or Belgard and must be one of the following approved types, colors, and patterns.

Phoenix Brand	Colors	Patterns
Standard Pavers	Native	Hopscotch
Holland Pavers	Tierra Norte	K Pattern
Townscape Pavers	Territorial Tumble	6-5-3 piece random herringbone

Belgard Brand	Colors	Patterns
Dublin Cobble	Toscana, Sedona, Victorian	Dublin Cobble
Cambridge Cobble	Toscana, Bella, Sedona, Desert	Cambridge Cobble

II. Size: Minimum Thickness 2 3/8 inches Size – Determined by patterns (see above)

III. **Scope:** Each dwelling installing driveway pavers must at the same time install walkway pavers, of the same type, color, and pattern. However, sidewalks may have pavers installed without replacing existing concrete driveways.

A. Walkways may have a curved pattern and be up to 4 feet wide.

IV. **Borders**

A. Soldier coursing type border required for all driveways and walkways, 6x9 inch matching color

B. Cement all border pavers

C. In those cases where grass abuts the paver installation (either driveway or sidewalk), the Architectural Control Committee recommends, but does not require, a minimum two foot "buffer zone" between the pavers and the grass area of decomposed granite of the same color and size as is standard in the front yards. With approval from the Landscape Committee, the homeowner may place appropriate plants, shrubs, boulders, etc. in this area.

NOTE: the installation of such a buffer zone is not an implied or automatic "right" that comes with paver installation. The nature and scope of the landscape changes must be documented in a reasonably-to-scale diagram and submitted for approval along with the original paver application. This work must be performed by the Casa del Cielo landscaping contractor. If the homeowner does not wish to create the recommended buffer area it should be so stated in the original paver application.

V. **Base, Grades, and Drainage**

A. Base course, sand and compacting as per Interlocking Concrete Paver Institute standards.

B. Existing grades and drainage to be maintained

VI. Driveway Paver Maintenance

- A. One year warranty required for workmanship from the licensed and insured contractor.
- B. Underground pipes and systems must be left the same as existing conditions.
- C. Maintenance of pavers is the homeowner's responsibility.

VII. No overlay or veneer type pavers are permitted

VIII. Installation per ICPI Standards is required.

- A. See, Interlocking Concrete Paver Institute Effective: March 2015

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