



Community Bulletin, November 2017

Board President's Report

With snowbirds returning and full-timers cheering the end of triple digit temperatures, here's a rundown of happenings from your HOA Board's November meeting:

- Annual budget. The Board approved a budget for 2018 that includes no increase in the annual assessment. The assessment will remain \$1440 per year, or \$120 per month, the lowest among HOAs on Scottsdale Ranch. Our biggest expense is landscaping and grounds, so we especially thank our past and current Landscaping Committee Chairpersons Ralph Balding and Randy Vogel for working closely with our landscaper Mauricio Villa to keep expenses in line and the community sparkling. Homeowners will receive their annual assessment invoices in a few weeks. Remember: payment is due on the first day of the month and late fees are assessed after the 15th. Homeowners are encouraged to make a single annual payment if they can, which reduces our bookkeeping expenses and avoids late fees.
- Pool improvements. The Board gave final approval to resurfacing the interior finish of the pool and spa and replacing heads and pool tiles, with work scheduled to begin January 2. This will necessitate closing the pool and spa for three to four weeks, but the work is essential to address our recent history of pool leaks and the deteriorating interior appearance, especially of the spa. After the resurfacing, the spa will be converted to salt from chemicals. Thanks to Leslye and Ron Lebakken, Pool Committee Chairpersons, for their work.
- Board elections. One Board seat will be open for election this year, as Bob Bernstein completes his term and long service to CdC. Contact Debra Castro, Chairperson of the Nominating Committee at casadelcieloscottsdale@gmail.com, if you are interested in running and ready to commit the time required; ballots will be mailed several weeks before the Annual Meeting.
- Upcoming Board meetings. The Board next meets on Sunday, December 10 at 10:30 am at the pool. We will discuss various initiatives for 2018, including: improving the condition of the grounds over the long, hot summer; adding more volunteers to assist on social activities and other committee work; and continuing our long-range planning work. The CdC Annual Meeting will be held at the Scottsdale Ranch Community Center on Wednesday, January 24 at 7 pm.

Best wishes from the entire Board of Directors for a Happy and Healthy Thanksgiving

Barry Bader, Board President

Debra Castro, Vice President

Hilda Banyon, Secretary

Doug Clark, Treasurer

Bob Bernstein, Chairperson, Architectural Control Committee