



FOOTHILLS CLUB WEST

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Let's Stay Home





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Community Newsletter

SUMMER 2020

Comments from the Editor

By: Martha Neese

Summer is here and the temperatures are rising. COVID-19 cases are rising and we all will need to maintain social distancing practices to keep our families and ourselves safe. Fortunately, we live in a community that offers a variety of outside activities to enjoy. I hope all of you that enjoy the outdoors can find time to walk or bike this summer. Most important is to stay safe.

Our meetings unfortunately are going to remain remote until the COVID-19 numbers in Arizona go down. Our management company cannot provide the adequate social distancing and sanitizing/sterilizing as recommended by the CDC. We will continue to update regarding the next scheduled meeting by the website and through email if Vision has your email address. Contact Vision for information at Club-West@wearevision.com or 480-759-4945. Please also visit the website at www.clubwestaz.com I hope all of you have a nice summer.



SUMMER
is coming



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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Greetings to all of our homeowners.

I hope that you are safe and healthy at this most unusual and disconcerting time.

The board has determined that it will conduct virtual meetings until the Covid 19 exposure risk associated with groups is fully mitigated. Please make sure that you check the Vision website for meeting times and login information.

This quarter has been trying for all of us. Each of us have been faced with new and sometimes difficult circumstances, both personally and financially.

According to public information, the unemployment rate for zip code 85045 (all of Club West), was 12.7 %. Only slightly lower than the national and state rates, but still significantly higher than the worst of the great recession.

It is important that as neighbors we remain aware of not only our shared community hardships, but also the longer term challenges that we might face.

There is not much that we can do, but we will take every effort to assure that we manage spending and expense to the greatest responsible degree.

We are examining our reserve accounts to make sure we are properly reserved. We are making sure that we are limiting any unneeded expenses and we are working to keep our assessment flat in 2021.

Your suggestions and ideas regarding these matters is welcome and requested. Not every idea can be implemented, but any thoughts on these matters are welcome.

Our community needs to depend on its collegial and neighborly environment to continue to be the safe and welcoming place we live.

Thank You for all of your efforts.

Mike Hinz, Board President



LIVING WITH BOBCATS

Arizona Game and Fish Department

There have been several reports of bobcat sightings. They are occurring all through Ahwatukee, not just Club West. They may have been uprooted by the highway construction. They may be attracted to the open space of the golf course because there is less human activity. It is difficult to determine why the frequency of sightings appears to have increased. Perhaps the overuse of social media simply makes it seem so.

One of the benefits of living in our community is the exposure to wildlife, be it bobcats or coyotes or javelina. Each provides character and flavor to our corner of the world, but there cautions and facts to remember. Immediately below is the website for Arizona Game and Fish. Please feel free to explore.

<https://www.azgfd.com/wildlife/livingwith/bobcats/>

The website provides general information about bobcats and we have reprinted it for your benefit here.

Lynx Rufus or Felis Rufus

Bobcats are common throughout Arizona at all elevations, especially in rimrock and chaparral areas, and in the outskirts of urban areas where food is readily available. Bobcats are generally seen alone, but groups may consist of mating pairs, siblings, or mothers with kittens. Bobcats are most active around sunset and sunrise, and it is not uncommon to find one napping under a shrub in a brushy backyard. Individual bobcats will defend a territory of one to 12 square miles.

Description and Habits

- Tan with dark spots on coat
- Short tail with black tip on top side
- 15-35 pounds (males are larger than females)
- 18-24 inches tall
- 24-48 inches long
- Mate February to March
- Average litter of two to three kittens, usually born from April to early June
- Kittens stay with the mother seven to 12 months
- Live 10-15 years
- Able to jump as high as 12 feet
- They are carnivorous, generally feed on small mammals and birds (includes domestic birds and rabbits); will also eat lizards, snakes, and small pets, including house cats

Possible Conflicts with Humans and Pets:

If you see a bobcat near your home, there is no need to panic. Bobcats rarely attack people. However, if a bobcat does attack a human, it generally will have symptoms of rabies. Bobcats may be attracted to a yard that has abundant wildlife, domestic birds, small pets, water, and shade or other shelter. Small pets need to be protected from bobcats and other predators. Keep small pets indoors, in an enclosed area with a roof, or on a leash when outside. Domestic birds should be kept in an enclosed area with a sturdy roof (a 6-foot tall fence is not necessarily good protection), and do not spread seed that attracts other wildlife. Do not feed bobcats, as this can encourage them to become too comfortable around humans.

What Attracts Them?

- Bobcats may visit an area to find food, water, shelter, or the space they need to live.
- Food may include birds, rodents, rabbits, small unattended pets, poultry or other domestic birds, and other small livestock.
- Water in pools, birdbaths, fountains, and pets' water dishes can attract bobcats. They will sometimes defecate in shallow water (such as pools and fountains).
- Shelter for bobcats can include rooftops, attics, and the space underneath decks. Other small spaces can make attractive dens also, and bobcats will sometimes rest during the day or bask in the sun. This makes them attracted to thick brush, shade, and unoccupied yards.

FRED SAYS

1. The fattest knight at King Arthur's round table was Sir Cumference. He acquired his size from too much pi.
2. I thought I saw an eye-doctor on an Alaskan island, but it turned out to be an optical Aleutian.
3. She was only a whiskey-maker, but he loved her still.
4. A rubber-band pistol was confiscated from an algebra class, because it was a weapon of math disruption.
5. No matter how much you push the envelope, it'll still be stationery.
6. A dog gave birth to puppies near the road and was cited for littering.
7. A grenade thrown into a kitchen in France would result in Linoleum Blownapart.
8. Two silk worms had a race. They ended up in a tie.
9. A hole has been found in the nudist camp wall. The police are looking into it.
10. Time flies like an arrow. Fruit flies like a banana.



HOME UPDATES AND UPGRADES

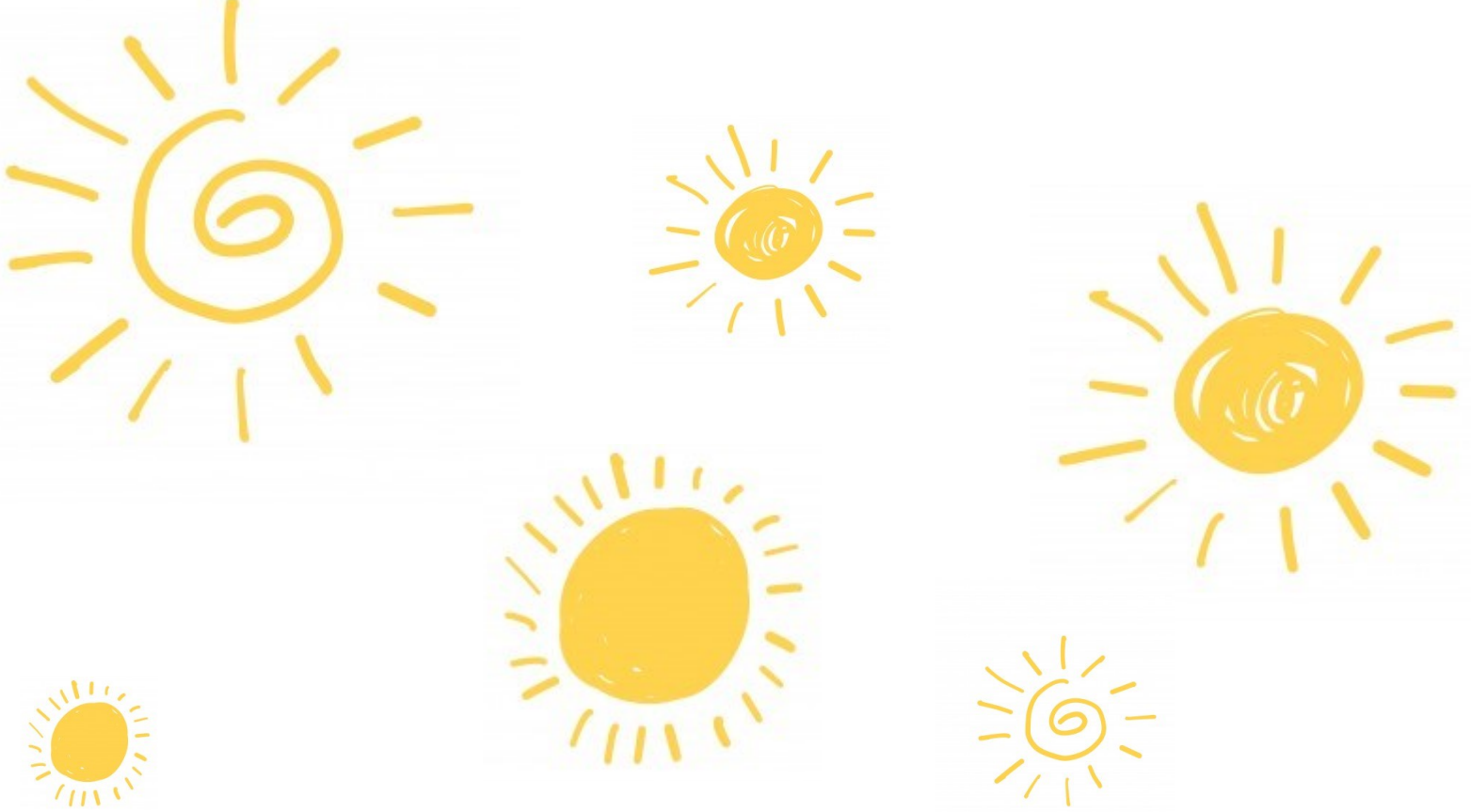
We're so excited to see everyone making updates to their homes, but we want to remind you that approval is required in most instances.

No exterior construction, alteration, addition, or renovation to any structure or improvements on a Lot; no modifications to patios, and no landscaping, hardscape, walls or fences will be allowed on any Lot, without application to, and written approval by, the Reviewer. Each Owner is responsible for removing or otherwise curing, at its expense, non-complying and/or unapproved improvements.

Any exterior modification made to a Foothills Club West property without prior written approval by the Architectural Review Committee is subject to violation notices and potentially monetary penalties.

This includes painting your home. Please remember to visit the website for the form and approved color listing. The association does receive a discount at Dunn Edwards if you mention account/code number 188544-000.

Please visit the community website for architectural documents at www.clubwestaz.com or contact Vision Community Management at ClubWest@WeAreVision.com.



COMMUNITY UPDATE

As we reported at our June 25th board meeting and via community email. The Club West Golf Course has been sold. The transaction closed the first week of June

The new owner is formerly known as "The Edge". We are informed that they are developing a new name for their organization.

The new owner has been formally advised by our association attorney of all duties and obligations related to membership in the HOA and they have been advised of all duties and obligations relating to the CC & R's and the Golf Course property. They have also been notified that they are not in compliance with the CC & R's and are subject to enforcement and fines. We will provide updates to the community as appropriate via email announcements.



Foothills Club West Community Landscape Update

Sustainable Landscape Management

Sustainable Landscape Management practices have been implemented into the Community Landscape Management plan.

The goals of Sustainable Landscape Management, or SLM, are to:

- Work within the natural plant life cycles
- Promote health, flowering and overall attractiveness
- Conserve water

The results have already been visible and its incredible to see the beautiful flowering plants we have here at Foothills Club West!



Foothills Club West – “Landscape Excellence” Award Finalist!!

Each year, the Arizona Landscape Contractors Association asks over 400 Landscape Management companies to submit a project to be considered for an award in Landscape Excellence. This year ProQual Landscaping submitted Foothills Club West to be considered in the Largescale Homeowners Association category. This award is based on many factors, such as landscape maintenance, quality of grass and granite areas, plant and tree health, water management practices and overall landscape management practices.

Our team is proud that the Foothills Club West Community is a finalist in this prestigious Landscape Management Award, and we look forward to sharing the results with you later this year!

ProQual Landscaping is committed to maintaining and increasing the value of your community!



Assessment Payment Options

ONLINE PAYMENT

e-Check and Credit Card transactions can be made online. Information contained in your billing statement is required to complete an online transaction. Visit www.ClubWestAZ.com and click on Login or Register to make a one-time online payment.

BILL PAY OR MAILING A PAYMENT

Bill Pay is an online banking service that is offered by most banks. Your choice of your checking or savings account will be debited. You may pay your assessments on a one-time occurrence or set up a recurring arrangement. Go to your bank's website and follow instructions, or call your bank for assistance. Remember to include your association name, your account number, and the lockbox address below.

Checks and money orders can be mailed with your statement stub and should be made payable to Foothills Club West with your account number listed in the memo area of the check to:

Foothills Club West
P.O. Box 60516
Phoenix, AZ 85082-0516

AUTOMATIC WITHDRAWAL

Payments can be deducted from your checking or savings account automatically via ACH. There is no fee to sign up. Visit www.ClubWestAZ.com to download an ACH form.

Community Website

Did you know that our community has a website? Owners can visit www.ClubWestAZ.com to review account balances, make online assessment payments, submit architectural applications, or view/download Association documents and forms.

Board Meetings

All meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Foothills Club West Clubhouse (16414 S. 14th Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85045) with the Open Session beginning at approximately 6:00pm.

Homeowners are welcome to attend. An executive (closed) session will be held at 4:30pm. The executive session shall be a closed meeting pursuant to ARS §33-1804(A) (2) & (5).

Updated meeting information and approved minutes are also posted on the community website.

Management Information

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the community or your account, your experienced team of professionals is ready to assist.



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