

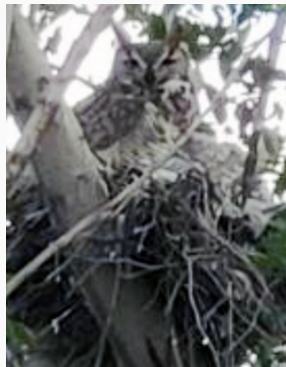


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The Pointe Community Association Newsletter

Spring is here!

I am reminded of the season by the nature that surrounds us. We have birds chirping so loud that it distracts my clients while on zoom calls! Spring is a time of growth and rebirth. We have such a beautiful environment in our little alcove, nestled in the Piestewa Peak mountains. As I walked down Dreamy Draw for my daily walk with Gabby (our black lab mix of 13 years!) I noticed several people stopping at one of the large Ficus trees in front the of Hilton Casita's. Of course, I stopped and looked up to see a majestic view of a mother owl tending to her flock of owlets. To see a 20+ inch diameter nest with large inhabitants I was awestruck. How lucky we are to live amongst nature. The picture of the single owl is most likely a parent of the offspring.... he/she landed on our fountain and Michael quickly captured this pose! The below pictures show the nest and babies, were taken by our neighbor Douglas (along with Logan his cute Bulldog!). Thanks Douglas! If you haven't meandered down that way, do! It's surely worth the walk or drive.



As we enter one of the greenest times of the year, I look forward to seeing more of you out and about. The gift of living in a tight knit community is that we can share our stories and support each other when we face adversity. Thanks to all my neighbors who brought cards, treats AND graciously, their well wishes and prayers, as Michael heals from a long recovery from foot surgery. I am sure all of you have a story or two about how your neighbors have supported you. Please feel free to use this forum (our newsletter) to share your gratitude!

Have a great month!
Dennece, Board President

Upcoming HOA Meeting

Open Meeting: March 23, 2023 at 5:00 PM. [See details here.](#)

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Meet Your Neighbor: Michele Woods

I've lived in The Pointe Community for 18 years and there's so much to love about living here! It's close to the mountains, great neighbors, great restaurants...especially Aunt Chilada's, and my two sisters live in the neighborhood.

I'm from Arizona...my mom's a native and her parents (my grandparents) came from Texas when they were kids. My husband Dan Fisher is a retired Phoenix Firefighter and we have four sons that are currently Firefighters. He is originally from Kansas City, where his father was the Fire Chief. Combined with his grandfather and children, the Fisher family has 140 years of Fire Service.

For 26 years, I've worked at the family business "Aunt Chilada's." Dan worked 3 years for the KC Fire Dept and 37 years for the Phoenix Fire Dept. I enjoy running, hiking, skiing (both water and snow), and my most recent favorite thing is PICKLEBALL.

Dan and I have 10 children between the two of us! My 3 were raised in the Pointe Community and his 7 were raised in Central Phoenix. We have 6 grandchildren and one on the way!

I love our mountains and can't wait until they re-open the Dreamy Draw tunnel. This is a hidden gem in our neighborhood. After a great hike we enjoy margaritas on the patio at Aunt Chilada's or a late night red wine and cioppino at Tutti Santi—all within walking distance of our neighborhood. We support local businesses and love the fact our area is filled with great shops and restaurants.

We love to take friends and family to the desert lakes. Our family has a houseboat at Lake Pleasant and we enjoy water activities and Arizona sunsets on the water. We have explored the great state of Arizona and are grateful for the diversity and beauty. We love Lake Powell for long weekend trips. We love Flagstaff for skiing and hiking and we love Southern Arizona for Kartchner Cavern and Tombstone.

Here's a fun piece of Arizona history: Aunt Chilada's restaurant used to be the "General Store" for the Miners in our neighborhood before Arizona was a state. It was a Brothel in the 1930's, then Georges Ole in the 1960's and became Aunt Chilada's in 1982. We are a family owned and operated business and we are thrilled to keep the rich history of our community alive. I love that we can walk to work!



Michele and Dan



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Common Area Committee Report

The Common area needs a committee AND a committee chair. **Is there something you would like to see happen with our common area? Take a leadership role and help make it happen!** Please contact Vision, our community manager or if you see a board member walking down the street, let them know. We need your passion for our community!

The board developed our vision for the next two years centered around maintaining the greenery and beauty while conserving our most precious resource in Arizona, water. We will likely be looking at changing a couple of common areas into xeriscape designs to help conserve water. Please join us!

Rules Committee Update

Protecting property values and the peaceful enjoyment of our homes is a key role of the Home Owner Association. The HOA carries out that role through the recorded Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions and the Board-adopted rules.

This year, the HOA Board tasked the committee with looking at a number of rules, in addition to more closely looking at the rules in general, we'll be considering parking, rule fines and enforcement, and look at some of the boilerplate language in our communications.

If parking issues are nibbling at your annoyance meter, contact Dennece, Jennifer or Eric and help us define the problem. Parking issues, early observation suggests, may be limited to the Courthome area of the community, and the Committee needs to know if parking is an issue elsewhere as well.

The Pointe's deed covenants, updated last November, and its Association Rules intend to provide equitable and understandable standards applied throughout the community. **The Committee can be most responsive if community volunteers join the three HOA Board members. We meet for an hour about once a month, sometimes twice, at the Hole In The Wall or the poolside cabana. The next meeting is on April 3 at the poolside cabana.** Please contact me if you'd like to be part of the solution: Eric@EricJayToll.com. Eric Jay Toll, Committee Chair

What the poop?

Spring is in the air, and the dog count again outnumbers the people in the Pointe. It's one of the best features of living here when your dog socializes with other pups while you chat with your neighbors. The whole thing goes sour because a few inconsiderate dog owners neglect to pick up their dog's feces from private property and common areas. There are examples of this problem all over the community.

Right now, there are five places to grab a bag for the waste if you've left home without one. Surely your dog will enjoy the extra thousand feet you might have to walk to get one.

When dog poop is left, someone must clean it up – and that person is usually a more responsible dog owner. If you're a property owner with renters, ensure that they know it's not only unsanitary and inconsiderate to leave dog waste, it's also a city-fineable offense. On the common area, it's an extra cost to the community because the landscape company charges when they do your dirty work.

It takes 39 seconds to pick up dog waste. If you don't want to carry it home, there are waste cans about 250 feet north of the Winter Drive-Dreamy Draw Road intersection, another at the trail up the hill by Frier Drive and Dreamy Draw Road, and one at the stop sign at Frier Drive and 18th Street.

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Community Reminders

Trash pick-up: Monday and Thursday early in the morning. Do not place your trash at the curb of the building you reside in until at least 6:00pm the night before. **No bulk items** such as mattresses, damaged patio furniture, etc., are allowed to be placed out as trash.

Bulk pick-up can be arranged by individual owners, at owner's expense, directly with Family Pride Sanitation (602-740-3543).

Recycle pick-up: Wednesday mornings between 2:00-4:00am. Recyclable items include: cardboard, paper, plastic, glass and small cans. All containers must be washed out and clean before putting in the recycle bin. Unclean containers contaminate and leak, destroying any chance that anything in the bin can be recycled. ***Also, do not bag your recyclables.** If recyclables are bagged, the recycling company throws it in with garbage.

Pet Friendly Community: Dogs must be on leash. Use bags to pick up your pet's waste, and place in trash container. We have two locations for free waste bags, Belmont Ave and Frier – at the green space. The second is on Dreamy Draw Drive between Desert Park and Augusta Avenues. There are also free waste bags and trash receptacles located next to the Hotel on Belmont and on Dreamy Draw at the entrance to the hiking trails. **Please be considerate and do not to leave your dog outside–daytime or evening–if he/she is continually barking.**

Pool area: No smoking, glass or pets in the pool area. Food and drink are to be consumed at the designated tables NOT inside the pool. Please accompany your guests to the pool. Per our pool rules, limit the number of your guests to four people. Owners and residents are responsible for guests' behavior. Given the new pool upgrades and increased usage, the pool is a popular place. Please respect residents' access to the pool first. Thank you for your cooperation.

HOA Payment Options

There are several payment options available for your monthly assessment payment.

- You can mail a check or money order to P.O. Box 65422, Phoenix, Arizona 85082. Please make checks payable to The Pointe Community. Don't forget to include your account number.
- You can also pay by credit card or echeck by logging on to www.WeArevision.com. Keep your statement handy, because you will be asked to put in your account number.
- Sign up for auto-pay. The form to enroll can be found on the community website.
- Save your Community money by opting to receive statements via email and going paperless. You can make this request via email through the Community email, pointecommunity@wearevision.com.

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