



NEWSLETTER

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D'Arcy Ranch Web Site!

The Board of Directors has created a new web site for D'Arcy Ranch. The web site is www.darcyranchhoa.com

The site has information such as meeting dates, CC&R's, paint colors, Architectural Change forms and a place for your input as a homeowner.

Newsletters will also be posted here as well as additional association information as it becomes available. Please visit this site and give the Board your input!!

Meet your Board

The D'arcy Ranch HOA board members are your neighbors. We are elected from the community (by homeowners) to carry out the necessary task involved in the

management of our community. That means we make decisions that effect ever homeowner within D'arcy Ranch. If you would like to talk with the people that represent you, please join us at a board meeting or contact us via email. If you prefer a phone conversation, please contact Linda at Metro and your call will be returned by a board member. Your input is important to us.

Board of Directors

The Annual meeting was held in January 2010. The following members were elected to serve on the Board:

<i>President</i>	<i>Jeff Gobster</i>
<i>Vice Pres</i>	<i>David Brinn</i>
<i>Sec/Treas</i>	<i>Peggy Stamm</i>
<i>Member</i>	<i>Marc Sepulveda</i>
<i>Member</i>	<i>Evan Pomerantz</i>
<i>Member</i>	<i>Tom Wilp</i>
<i>Member</i>	<i>David Rannow</i>

Newsletter on the Web Site

The newsletter is being posted on the web site. In the interest of saving money for everyone at D'Arcy Ranch, you may in the near future simply receive an email letting you know it is there. This will cut down on postage and copy costs.

Board of Directors Meeting

Board meetings are held monthly. The date and location of the meeting is subject to change. For further information, please contact Linda at Metro Property Services at 480-967-7182, ext 103.

Architectural Submissions

Any exterior modification to your home or property must **have prior approval** from the Darcy Ranch ACC. When planning a change, please call Metro Property Services at 967-7182 for the submittal form. Or you may go to the web site www.darcyranchhoa.com and download it.

Important Phone Numbers

Chandler Police Dept.

Non-emerg	(480)782-4130
Animal Control	(602)506-7387
Trash Collection	(480)644-2688
Graffiti Hotline	(480)644-3083
Metro Property Services	(480)967-7182

Parking

The City of Chandler recently tagged several vehicles in the community that were parked facing the opposite direction of the flow of traffic. The City ordinance requires that the passenger wheels be to the curb. Please park facing the direction of driving. **Be sure that sidewalks are not blocked as well.**

ALSO – Please do NOT park on sidewalks. This creates a hazard for people pushing baby strollers who have to try to dodge your vehicle by going into the grass or into the street

Animals

To many of us, our pets are more like family than animals. And, like family, they can sometimes be a royal pain. Please remember that your pet's behavior can cause a nuisance to your neighbors. Barking dogs are one of the biggest annoyances we deal with. If you need help with controlling a barking dog, an internet search for "barking dog control" can be very helpful. There are tips and products available for virtually every situation.

Roaming animals can also cause problems. D'arcy Ranch HOA rules do not allow for animals to roam free. This includes cats. Roaming cats are a major reason we have barking dogs. Roaming cats also tend to use neighbors backyards as bathrooms. While the predatory hawks and owls sometime cure the roaming cat problems, we still get complaints. Please note that if your animal roams free, it is subject to being trapped and taken to an area animal shelter. If you have questions, please feel free to contact us.

Weeds

With all the rain we have experienced, and with the weather warming up, the weeds are growing faster than ever. Pre-emergent weeds control can be applied to help prevent future weeds, and post emergent spray can be applied to those that have already sprouted. Please take a look at your property and if weeds are starting, stop them while they are controllable. Besides being an eyesore, weeds cost us all money one way or another. If it's not losing a home sale because a neighboring home looks like a dump, it is because of the expense we incur in sending out notices. Thank you in advance for helping to keep our community its best.

Also – please be sure to trim your trees and shrub away from streets and sidewalks. These areas need to be kept clear so that people utilizing them can easily pass without having to divert into the street.

Help

Your HOA board is looking for input. We are looking for volunteers to serve on committees to handle such topics as communications and neighborhood projects and everything in between. If you are interested in helping, please contact us for information on how to get involved. The time commitment is minimal, and the rewards many. Knowledge in the areas of budget, grants, websites & contracting are especially desirable.