

CREEKSIDE NEWS

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Welcome to the Neighborhood

All residents (old, new, owner, renter) are invited to attend HOA monthly meetings held on the 2nd Thursday of each month beginning at 6:30 PM at the JCC, 3800 E. River Road.

Got questions about parking, landscaping or the pool? Come to a meeting. Your suggestions are welcome. Get involved. Call Copper Rose Community Management (Ph: 520-888-0404) to be placed on the agenda. Please call to confirm meeting has not been cancelled.

OVERGROWN TREES

Over thirty years ago, 15 gallon size trees were planted inside every Creekside front yard. As you will see throughout Creekside I and II, many homes have very large trees. While full grown trees create much desired shade and habitat for birds, they can be hazardous as their root structures may succumb to insects and rot and their branches may fall on walls or houses during monsoons. Consider removing old trees and replacing them with new trees that are more appropriate for our smaller lots and desert landscape. Here are two recommendations from Civano Nursery located at 12190 S. Old Nogales Hwy, Tucson, AZ 85756 (520) 746-9205.

Little Leaf Ash is a hardy evergreen that can be grown as a large shrub or a small tree. The shrub form requires little to no pruning to maintain, and it's low, multi-branching habit serves as an ideal screen or landscape foundation. Training Little Leaf Ash into a small tree has benefits as well, especially since there are so few clean and green patio-sized trees that do well in the Southwest!



<https://www.civanonursery.com/plant-catalog/little-leaf-ash-fraxinus-greggii/>



Desert Willow is a gem of a tree requiring little care and gracing southwestern landscapes with year-round intrigue. It retains a charming, architectural winter silhouette when the tree is bare, and attracts hummingbirds and butterflies with its profusion of fragrant, orchid-like flowers for the rest of the year.

<https://www.civanonursery.com/plant-catalog/bubba-desert-willow-chilopsis>

STOP FEEDING THE WILDLIFE

For your safety and that of your pets

“The Game and Fish department strongly discourages feeding wildlife other than birds and tree squirrels,” said Scott Poppenberger, Arizona Game and Fish Department Flagstaff regional supervisor. **“Wildlife feeding frequently creates dangerous situations for both wildlife and people, often setting the stage for attacks.”**

<http://sonorannews.com/2018/03/25/azgfd-reminds-residents-not-feed-wildlife/>



BE AWARE - BE SAFE

Be aware that there have been sightings of strangers driving and walking through our streets at night. Keep your vehicles and homes locked. If you see suspicious activity, call the Tucson Police Department. We are located in the Midtown Operations Station. Non-emergency calls (520) 791-4253. Emergency calls dial 9-1-1.

INSURANCE

For a copy of the Creekside HOA insurance, go to the HOA website “Contact” page for a link to CAU, or go directly to CAU Certificates online at:

<https://www.cauinsure.com/CertRequest>

You may also call CAU at (267) 757-7110

STREETS

Sunland Asphalt sealed all cracks a quarter inch or larger. This work was completed during cold weather when cracks are expanded. Next step—sealcoat, a process done during warm weather. Sealcoating is a routine pavement maintenance service, used to protect pavement from sun and oxidation, water, as well as motor oil and gasoline. High performance sealcoating seals in the vital oils of the asphalt mix, improving the appearance of the asphalt with a uniform black color. This also makes it easier to clean the surface of sand, dirt and debris. Sunland recommends that sealcoating be performed every two to three years and is a staple in every pavement maintenance plan.

<http://www.sunlandasphalt.com/maintenance/sealcoating/>

Living in HOAs

“By and large, HOAs are staffed by volunteers who simply want the community to remain the same as when they chose to live in it. If you are unwilling to abide by an HOA’s rules, then buy elsewhere.” David Brown, Sun City Center, Fla. Wall Street Journal, March 28, 2019.