

COTTONWOOD CHIT CHAT

COTTONWOOD SPRINGS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

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COTTONWOOD SPRINGS "CLEAN HOUSE"

Yes, just like the TV show, we had our own "Clean House" production on May 22nd. There were approximately 30 homeowners that held yard sales to eliminate some of their extra belongings. From about 8:30 am to 1:00 pm the neighborhood was filled with cars and buyers. Lots of bargains were to be had by thrifty shoppers. Thanks go to Sara Nichols and Brigetta Queener for organizing the yard sale.



And just like "Clean House", after the sale, many homeowners donated their remaining items to Safe Harbor Crisis Nursery. Safe Harbor is a non-profit Kennewick organization that is committed to the prevention of child abuse and neglect by providing a safe and stable environment for children ages birth through twelve years. Since 1998, they have provided support for more than 2000 Tri-City area families. Thanks go to Sullivan Rowell Homes for the use of their truck to haul the donations to Safe Harbor and to Lori Matthews, Jerritt Wisser and Evelyn Cataldo for loading and transporting the donations to Safe Harbor.



Over 30 people have volunteered to be part of the Cottonwood Crime Watch. An organizational meeting was held on May 18th. At that meeting five homeowners volunteered to be zone captains. Our zone captains are Careina Brooks, Dan Kester, Dom Cataldo, Sandra Hendry and Jerritt Wisser. Travis Morrow will be the liaison between the zone captains, the HOA Board and the sheriff's office.

The zone captains held their first meeting on May 26th. The zone captains will be contacting you shortly to bring you information on the program and ascertain if you would like to be involved. Volunteers to help with the program are needed. Following are suggestions as to how you, as a homeowner, can be involved and help keep our community and neighbors safe.

Homeowner Duties:

- A. Keep phone list handy
- B. Be aware of your neighbors cars, normal schedules and vacation periods
- C. Call sheriff if anything looks suspicious - **DO NOT ENGAGE**
- D. Obtain license plate numbers for loitering vehicles that are out of place
- E. When driving/walking, be observant as to unusual activity
- F. Report any incidents to your zone captain
- G. Volunteer for evening patrols, if possible.

Architectural Control Committee

The committee has been busy with plans submitted for sheds, privacy fences and landscaping.

Don't forget to get approval if you are planning on adding landscaping, a shed, pool, fencing or other improvements. Please contact the HOA Architectural Control Committee and submit your plans before you start. This can be done via the web site or by mail.



Light Post

All homes must have a light post in the front of their home as per CCR 3.4.6 Exterior Lights. Every Lot shall have an exterior light mounted on a column not more than five (5) feet high, with such column to be sided of material and painted to match the siding and paint of the dwelling situated upon such Lot. If your house does not have an installed light post, you will need to do so immediately. It is a safety concern.

Social Events Committee

The Easter Egg Hunt "Oh, my!", said the Easter Rabbit. "I spent all morning putting out over 1,600 eggs; it only took those children about five minutes to gather them!"

The Committee did a wonderful job with the 2nd Annual Easter Egg Hunt. Even though the weather was cold and windy, we had a good turnout and many people stayed to enjoy the

potluck. Thank you to the committee members, the Board members and all the community members who made our Egg Hunt a success.



See the front page for the report on the Community Yard Sale that was sponsored by the Social Events Committee.

Next on the agenda is "Dessert in the Park".

Watch the website for the July date and more information.

From The Board

Thank you to all who attended the Special Meeting to amend the CC&Rs on April 19th. The amendments did pass. 126 votes were needed to pass the amendments.

There were 137 votes in favor of the amendments and 20 opposed. Special thanks go to our vote counters

Nancy Konopka, Dan Larsen, Scott Freitag and Matt Riesenweber.



Welcome Committee

The Welcome Committee has been busy with many new families moving into our community. New residents receive a notebook with information about Cottonwood Springs and the Tri-City area. If you have business cards you would like us to include, please contact us through the HOA e-mail. We will be happy to do so.

The Dog Did It!

Please help me be a good neighbor by keeping me in my own yard. There have been a number of complaints to the board by homeowners about loose dogs either wandering in their yard or chasing them in the street as they walk. We appreciate the comments sent in by home owners regarding the number of dog allowed. The board is having discussions regarding the situation and peoples comments.



Landscape and Parks Committee

Hello neighbors – the Parks Committee has been busy getting bids on the first phase of the walking trail through the neighborhood. We are focusing on the park for the first phase. After looking at the bids it looks like we will be able to complete an asphalt loop around the whole park including walking paths around the play structure. This is really exciting and should be a great asset for the neighborhood. We will need some volunteers to help with cutting the sod out and putting it on pallets. If you would like to volunteer for this community project please email hoa@cottonwoodhoa.com and ask to help we will keep you updated when we schedule the project. We are also working to get more small play equipment so be looking for all of the improvements coming soon to the park.

Landscape and Parks Committee members:

Cory Eagan
Russell Long
Brian Skeels
Cathy Wright
Shawn Hancock

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