

NEWSLETTER

COMMUNITY YARD SALES!

We are going to be having two community-wide yard/rummage sales this year. The first one will be Saturday, May 19, 2012 and the second will be Saturday, October 27, 2012. Advertisements will be placed in the West Valley View by the Homeowners Association. Signs will be posted at the entrances. Signs may not be posted on light or sign poles. You may post additional signage at the entrance to your subdivision if you are participating in the sale. Signs must be removed by 6pm on the day of the sale.

WEEDS AND OTHER YARD MAINTENANCE

It's that time of year again and weeds are popping up everywhere. It's an ongoing battle for all of us, but something that must be kept up. Roundup or a similar product will take care of most of the common weeds that pop up in your yard. You may also want to consider a professional application of a pre-emergent that will last for several months so that you do not have to worry about weeds at all for long periods of time. If you have turf in the front yard, your Bermuda grass should start to come up soon. Please remember that even in the transition from dormant or Rye grass to Bermuda, your lawn must be maintained for weeds and excessive growth. Summer Bermuda must be maintained green and mowed regularly.

Trees and large plants must be trimmed away from sidewalks and neighboring properties. Your lot must also have the minimum number of trees and plants installed based on the size of the lot. This information and the approved plant list are found on the community website at www.tartessocommunityassociation.com on the documents page in the Association Rules and Design Guidelines.



Welcome

SUMMER NEWS!

Splash Pads will be open May 12, 2012

Dates and Times of Operation are:

9:00AM – 1:00PM and

5:00PM – 9:00PM M – F

9:00AM – 9:00PM Sat & Sun

PARKING DO'S AND DON'TS

Please remember that parking of vehicles is restricted to the garage and driveway of your lot during both day and night time hours. We frequently hear from owners and tenants that they are not able to use the garage for vehicles because of other items being stored. You need to be able to park all vehicles that belong to the lot in your designated parking areas. There are no exceptions. Parking must come first and storage is allowed if space is available.

In addition, parking or storage of trailers, campers, boats, RV's or similar work or recreational vehicles is prohibited. These vehicles cannot be parked on the street or stored where visible on your property.

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COMMUNITY LINKS

Town of Buckeye Website -
<http://www.buckeyeaz.gov>

Recycling Center
Historic Downtown Buckeye
Arizona & Eastern Avenue (east of Public Works
Dept)

Town of Buckeye Garbage Collection
623-349-6100
Tartesso Service Tuesday and Friday

Animal Control
(602)506-7387

Saddle Mountain Unified School District #90
Online at:

<http://smusd90.org/>

Phone: (623) 474-5100

To report a street lamp outage or start service:
Go online:
<http://www.aps.com/main/services/OutageCenter/default.html>
And fill out online form or call:
(602) 371-7171

Town of Buckeye: Need to submit a utility
application that is available online:
<http://buckeyeaz.gov/index.aspx?nid=143>
Or call: 623-349-6100

Southwest Gas Services Online:
<https://myaccount.swgas.com/service>
Or call toll free: 866-860-6020

BROWN GRASS IN THE COMMON AREA

Are you seeing brown grass in the common areas?

Spring time is here and it is time to change grass again. Here in southern Arizona the predominant grass is Bermuda. It is very hardy and stays green through the very hot summer months. In the fall the Bermuda grass goes dormant in the colder temperatures and is overseeded with rye grass. In spring the rye grass is cut short and allowed to die so that the Bermuda will be allowed to grow back and re-green. In areas that have not been overseeded the re-greening may already be taking place.

When the rye grass is cut short the water is also cut back to accelerate the change over from rye to Bermuda grass. The grass areas will appear brown until the Bermuda has a chance to re-green.



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ASSOCIATION NEWS

Vandalism

As many of you already know, we frequently deal with vandalism issues in Tartesso. Typical problems are the community parks and walls being tagged, playground equipment being damaged, damage to the restrooms and destruction of lighting around the community. Unfortunately the cost of these repairs can be very expensive, particularly those to the lighting fixtures. Repairs and replacement must come from the budget and your monthly assessments.

If you witness vandalism during day or night time hours please immediately notify the Buckeye Police Department at 623-349-6400.

They are frequently nearby and able to respond in a timely manner. Please do not confront those causing the vandalism, but be the best witness you can be. Get good physical descriptions, colors of clothing and watch where those involved are coming and going from. If caught, the Association will prosecute those involved.

There are ways to stop vandalism in your neighborhood, here's how:

- ✓ Get to know your neighbors.
- ✓ Form a community association or neighborhood watch program.
- ✓ Hold parties and social activities in your neighborhood.
- ✓ Meet new neighbors as they move in.
- ✓ Talk to your neighbors if you see something suspicious.

If you do see graffiti or other vandalism in the community, please report to KMS so that we can address the issue as quickly as possible.

AROUND BUCKEYE

May 12, 2012

Spring Demolition Derby

Gates Open 5:30 PM Event begins at 7 PM

Visit: www.buckeyevalleychamber.org

or call Jan at 623-386-2727

May 19, 2012

Opening Day at Buckeye Pool

Dates: May 19 – August 11, 2012

Days: Monday – Saturday

Times: Noon – 5 PM

Buckeye Public Library

310 N. 6th Street

Buckeye, AZ 85326

P: 623.349.6300

FAX: 623.349.6310

TDD: 623.386.4421

www.buckeyeaz.gov/library

Hours of Operation:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Thursday

9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Closed Saturday & Sunday

For more information on upcoming events go to:

<http://www.buckeyeaz.gov/DocumentView.aspx?DI D=2659>

Fire Department

623-349-6700

Administrative Hours: 8 am – 5 pm

Police Department

623-349-6400

Buckeye Code Compliance Officer

Marcia Story

623-349-6212

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BARKING DOGS

When there is a problem with barking dogs, it is helpful to talk to the animal owner. Although this may be difficult to do at first, communicating with the animal owner is usually the most effective way to resolve the problem. Remember that the animal owner may not know their dog's barking is bothering you if you have not ever told them.

- Try to talk to your neighbor when you are not frustrated about the barking.
- When you approach your neighbor, be calm and plan to discuss the barking in a friendly manner.
- Inform them of the time of day or night that the dog is barking.
- If you are not comfortable talking, leave a note for your neighbor.
- Explain that the dog's barking bothers you. If the barking happens while the neighbor is away, explain what the dog does when the family is away from the residence.
- Choose words that are not offensive or intimidating to the dog owner.

SUGGESTIONS FOR BARKING DOGS

- Buy a kennel that is the appropriate size or larger for the dog. Keep the dog and the kennel inside your house when you are gone, but only within a reasonable amount of hours. Most dogs adjust very well to the use of a kennel.
- Train the dog yourself using books or videos from the library, or enroll in special interest classes at community colleges, the Arizona Humane Society, or a pet store.
- Buy a barking dog collar or muzzle.
- Be willing to speak to neighbors for more specific information.
- Think about the time of day that the barking is a problem.
- Ask yourself why the dog is barking. Is the dog lonely, frustrated, bored, etc.?
- Take the dog for a walk instead of always leaving it in the yard alone.
- Should the dog have access to a doggie door if it barks? Confine the dog to a smaller area of the yard away from the neighbors.

Call the Arizona Humane Society Behavior Helpline at (602) 997-7586, ext 1301.



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