

Parkside Community Newsletter

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Parkside Community Association

The Parkside Community newsletter is published quarterly every September, December, March, and May.

Please read the newsletter, as it may contain important and timely information. For questions regarding any content in the newsletter, please contact the Community Manager, Mary Beth Zahn, mzahn@associatedasset.com.



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Upcoming Events/Meetings:

**All meetings take place at the Anthem Civic Building, unless otherwise noted.*

Sept 10	Architectural Review Committee, 9 a.m.	Nov 5	Architectural Review Committee, 9 a.m.
Sept 15	Financial Advisory Committee, 1 p.m.	Nov 11	Veteran's Day Ceremony, 10 a.m.
Sept 24	Architectural Review Committee, 9 a.m.	Nov 11	ACC/HOA Offices Closed
Sept 26	Go Green, 8 a.m.-11 a.m.	Nov 17	Financial Advisory Committee, 1 p.m.
Oct 8	Architectural Review Committee, 9 a.m.	Nov 19	Architectural Review Committee, 9 a.m.
Oct 15	APCA Board of Directors Meeting, 6 p.m.	Nov 26 & 27	ACC/HOA Offices Closed
Oct 22	Architectural Review Committee, 9 a.m.		
Oct 24-25	Tentative - Autumnfest, 10 a.m., Anthem Community Park		



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Provided by DLC Resources

As the brutal heat has begun to give way to more forgiving fall temperatures, this is an optimal time for planting across the Valley! While many desert native plants are built to withstand the high temperatures, non-native and less tolerant plants thrive in our relatively mild Arizona fall. If you have been considering adding any new trees, shrubs or vegetables, fall is a great time of year to add to your landscape. Installing a plant in a new environment is typically a stressful transition, so planting in its preferred cooler weather can help increase the chance of survival. Before moving ahead, be sure to consider the plant's size, needs and aesthetic appearance to be sure you get the best fit.



Right Plant, Right Place

Keeping the Parkside approved plant pallet in mind, choose the species of plant that will thrive in the space chosen to fulfill your needs. When picking out your new plants, make sure you know their full-growth pattern full-grown size so that you can be sure they'll have enough space in your landscape when they mature. For instance, if you have limited space in your yard, you may consider



a small shrub as opposed to a large tree. Also, keep sun, shade and water requirements in the forefront of your mind. Finally, remember that any newly planted tree or shrub needs frequent watering during its establishment period, which is usually 2 to 3 weeks.

Vegetables

If you're looking for a productive plant to go straight from garden to table, October and November are ideal for planting a variety of vegetables in your garden. Among others, celery, broccoli, and carrots are all able to grow well in our environment. Harvest times and soil needs will vary between vegetables, so please consult your local nursery when deciding which vegetables are right for your needs!

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Planting Material

Speaking of soil, it is a very important consideration when determining how to set up your garden. Some plants may be able to survive and grow healthy in our natural soil, while many others will require a compost or mulch to grow.

Natural soil will have both inorganic and organic components, and will generally lack in nitrogen and phosphorus, which both help plants to grow. This is especially critical in Arizona as our desert soil is not typically as nourishing as that in many other areas of the world. You should consider adding a fertilizer to help make sure your plant receives the nutrients it needs. A balanced fertilizer such as a 10-10-10 will typically be a good option for many landscapes. However, you should consult your local home store to examine different varieties of fertilizer designed for each occasion.

As alternatives you may add compost, mulch or both. Compost is made of organic matter and will improve the retention of water. Mulch is used as a top dressing and will help to control weeds and regulate soil temperature. It will also help with the retention of water.

General Tips

- Soil tests are very helpful in identifying soil composition and nutrient levels— from most hardware stores or nurseries.
- Weed your beds/pots on a regular basis
- Buy bird netting to protect your veggies like tomatoes
- Cover your vegetables/plants that are frost sensitive during the winter
- Questions? Talk to your local nursery!



Granite/landscape rock replenishment

Please take the time to evaluate the granite/landscaping rock in your yard. If there are bare spots visible in your yard then it's time to replenish the granite. Approval is not required if you replenish the existing decomposed granite with the same size and color originally approved. If you would like to replace the granite with a new color/size, you must submit a design change application and provide a sample of the new style that is being requested.

All granite should be a minimum of ½ inch or larger "screened" and applied as a 2 inch layer minimum. Visit the Parkside website to view the approved granite colors in the Design Guidelines.



Pruning trees and plants for neighborhood safety

While so many people are getting out and walking, please remember that streets, sidewalks, and other public rights of way are for everyone's use. Property owners are responsible for their private trees and all other vegetation in the public right-of-way next to their property. Overgrown vegetation is a safety hazard and limits the use of sidewalks, trails, and streets.

Trimming vegetation and caring for your trees are effective ways residents can enhance neighborhood safety. Please be sure to prune your trees and trim or remove any vegetation that obstructs or grows into public rights of way. DLC Resources is working diligently to do the same in Parkside common areas.



Help protect neighborhood parks

The cooler temperatures mean more activity at neighborhood parks. We are asking park patrons and nearby residents to keep an eye out for any vandalism or suspicious activity.

If you witness any suspicious or illegal activity in progress, please report it to either the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) or the Phoenix Police Department, and vandalism, maintenance or other issues to the APCA. Your action of reporting allows law enforcement and the APCA to be proactive in addressing concerns. A concerned community can deter crime by reporting suspicious activities.

- Emergency: 911
- Vandalism/Non-Emergency: APCA, 623-879-3028
- Suspicious Activities:
 - MCSO, 623-876-1011 (east of I-17) or
 - Phoenix Police Dept., 602-262-6151 (west of I-17)
- Graffiti: Report through the online tip form at onlineatanthem.com.



Holiday decorating reminders

The holiday season will soon be upon us. Decorating the exterior of your home is allowed for the fall season beginning October 1, 2020. Halloween decorations may be displayed at this time through November 12, 2020.

Lights for the holiday season as well as other holiday decorations including wreaths or wreath-sized décor placed on front doors, inflatables, and other holiday yard art may be displayed beginning November 1, 2020. All holiday decorations must be taken down by January 15, 2021.



Did you know? Short-term rental fine policy

A short-term rental fine policy is in place for homeowners renting out their homes for less than 30 days. Homeowners may rent their property but must comply with notifying the APCA of any lease within 10 days of execution of the lease, and shall not lease the property for less than 30 days. Homeowners renting their homes per day or week could face fines up to \$1,500.

The short-term rental policy is in place to protect the public health, safety and welfare of the community, and preserve the character and ambiance of Parkside neighborhoods. The short-term rental fine policy can be viewed online at onlineatanthem.com.

