



SEPTEMBER
2009



Next Board
Meeting
Thursday

September 24th

7:00 pm

In the Pool Area

The fall schedule of meetings will be posted on the bulletin boards.

Gate Code changes are effective the first day of each quarter.

Next change:

Oct 1st

**"Autumn is a second spring
when every leaf is a flower."**

- Albert Camus



President's Corner

As most of you have noticed the gate at Southern was vandalized deliberately. Repairs have been completed however we are offering a reward for information that would lead to the guilty parties for the purpose of obtaining compensation for the costs of the repairs. If you have any information please contact Preferred Communities at 480-649-2017. The source of the information will be kept confidential.

On a more positive note, we will be scheduling the re-decking of the pool area. The intent is to resurface when the weather cools off a little more and pool use is down for the least inconvenience. The pool will be closed for about 2 weeks during this process. Any other repairs that are necessary will also be scheduled during this time. Thank you in advance for your patience.

Have a great Fall!

Carol Shepherd

Pool Closure



The Pool will be closed for 2 weeks beginning September 28th for maintenance & repair of the decking.



Vandalism

At the end of August, the gates on Southern Avenue were vandalized yet again. Someone tied the gates open, and therefore ruined the chassis. It took about a little over a week to repair the gates, as a new chassis had to be ordered. The Board is offering a monetary reward for anyone providing information that leads to the arrest and prosecution of the vandals.

If you have any ideas or suggestions on how to reduce the amount of vandalism in our community, please come to the next meeting.

Homeowners:

Do you have a question or concern, or even a complaint about the goings on in the HOA?

Attend the HOA Meetings. The purpose of the meeting is to allow all homeowners a forum to voice their questions and/or concerns.

If you are unable to attend the meetings, please contact the Management company with your questions or concerns.

This is your community! Get involved.



**Preferred
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Architectural Requests

When making changes to your home and/or yard that are visible from public view, you need to submit for architectural approval. If you have a question as to whether or not an architectural request is needed, contact our management company.

Remember, you don't want to put something up only to find out later that it's not approved and you're required to remove it at your own cost.

If you need an architectural request form, you may obtain one by contacting Preferred Communities via email or phone. It's also online at gothoa.com.

Sunscreens

Check your monthly SRP statements for information on sunscreen savings of up to 50% per sq ft. as compared to many of the retail stores. Call or check their website at www.srpnet.com/weatherization to obtain updated information on their programs! This is a great way to save money on your monthly bills and stay cool!



P.S. Architectural approval is needed.

The Flu and You!

Take time to get vaccinated. You are responsible for the health and well being of yourself, your family and your workplace. CDC recommends a yearly seasonal flu vaccine as the first and most important step in protecting against seasonal flu. Vaccination is especially important for people at high risk of serious flu complications, including young children, pregnant women, people with chronic health conditions like asthma, diabetes, or heart and lung disease and people 65 years and older.

Take everyday preventative actions.

- ◆ Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue away after you use it. Don't leave it for someone else to touch.
- ◆ Wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after you cough or sneeze.
- ◆ Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread this way.
- ◆ If you are sick—stay home for at least 24 hours after your fever is gone. Keep away from others as much as possible, to keep from getting others sick too.

General flu information: <http://www.flu.gov/index.html>

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Bulletin Boards

If you have something you would like to post in the bulletin boards located near the community mailboxes, please contact Trudy Thompson at 480-984-5522 or via email at TThom89530@cox.net



The Gate Code is changing effective Oct 1 Watch your email or mail for the new code!

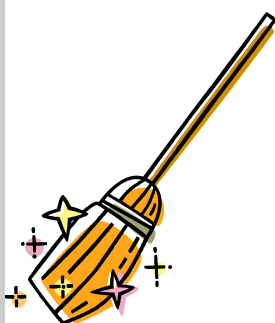
Community Reminders



Please place your trash container along the curb in the street for better pickup access. This helps the City of Mesa trucks travel along at a steady place. Please help make their job easier!

Please remove your trash can out of public view by sundown the same day of collection.

Please pick up after your dog: if you own the dog, then you own the clean up process. When out walking in the community, please make sure you do your pooper scooper duties, so your neighbor doesn't have to.



Please keep your sidewalks clear of gravel. It is a distraction from the look of the community. We have a beautiful community, and it is everyone's responsibility to maintain your lots. The streets are only swept on a quarterly basis, so please remember that the sidewalks are common area but are only maintained by the homeowners.

It's time for the leaves to start falling from the trees. Please clean up the tree debris as much as possible.



Please keep your bushes and shrubs trimmed away from sidewalks, driveways and homes.

Street Sweeping Schedule

- August 28, 2009
- November 27, 2009
- February 26, 2010
- May 28, 2010
- August 27, 2010
- November 26, 2010