October 16, 2020





Friday Community Operations Update

This week, crews were busy making irrigation repairs, trimming trees and shrubs, removing weeds and inspecting the health of plants and trees along Westar Drive and in the Sonoran Vistas, Saguaro Canyon, Mesquite Ridge and Ridgeview

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Point neighborhoods. Seasonal flowers were installed at the intersection of **San Miguel Avenue and Golf Club Drive**.

BrightView teams are continuing to remove stumps from storm-damaged trees throughout the community.

GRASS OVERSEEDING PROJECT

BrightView has begun spreading grass seed as part of the community overseeding project. The neighborhoods that received grass seed this week were Lucero, Overlook, Avalon Del Lago, Saguaro Summit, Saguaro Canyon, Mesquite Ridge and Cielo. The Presidio Residents Club has been reseeded and Bougainvillea Park is scheduled to be reseeded on Monday, October 19.

These areas may appear brown until the new grass begins to grow and the watering schedule has been adjusted to help with germination. To avoid the cost of having to reseed the parks, residents are kindly asked to keep off any grassy areas with posted signage so the winter grass can grow into lush, green lawns that everyone will be able to enjoy through the winter months and into spring.

Click on the following links to read <u>BrightView's Weekly Report</u> and <u>BrightView's Landscaping Schedule</u>. The updated landscape cycle schedule shows when you can expect BrightView to be working in your neighborhood.

Remember, if you notice areas that need attention, there are a few ways to report concerns:

- Complete an electronic <u>Community Concern form</u> on the <u>www.LifeInEstrella.com</u> homepage. <u>Account login is required</u>.
- Email <u>John</u> or <u>Elizabeth</u> in our Facilities Department.
- Contact the Community Services Office at (623) 386-1112 weekdays, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

In Search of Committee Members!

If you're looking for a way to give back to Estrella and want to share your ideas and experience with the community, we are seeking *ECA residents* for the Estrella Communications Committee or the ECA Covenants Review Committee.



- The **Communications Committee** advises and assists in developing and implementing a communications program that facilitates timely, effective and efficient delivery of information to homeowners with the goal of building a better community.
- The ECA Covenants Review Committee works together with owners to promote compliance with Design Guidelines, Use Restrictions, Common Area Rules and Resident Club Rules.

Interested in volunteering? Have some time and expertise to share? Fill out this <u>application</u> and email it to Communications Manager Karen Angelo at <u>kangelo@ccmcnet.com</u>. Thank you!

Community Projects



WELCOME CENTER FLAG

The flag at the old Welcome Center by North Lake was replaced this week.



SOUTH LAKE LANDSCAPE ENHANCEMENTS

Crews continued working around South Lake near Reflection Bay this week to enhance portions of the landscape by installing concrete curbing, new granite, plants, and turf. This week, the area was prepped for the addition of new sod. This project will continue into next month.



COMMUNITY PAINTING PROJECTS

Our maintenance team refurbished the monument sign in **Hidden Hills** this week while teams from AllStar Pro completed the painting of the culvert guardrails along Estrella Parkway.

The More You Know: Roadrunner Edition

Maybe the first time you saw a roadrunner was in a Warner Bros. cartoon; maybe, if you're a native of Arizona, you've seen them all the time.

Want to test your roadrunner knowledge? Check out these fun facts from <u>American Expedition</u> and <u>thespruce.com</u> below:



- Roadrunners are members of the cuckoo family.
- Although capable of flight, roadrunners prefer to spend most of their time on the ground. They generally prefer sprinting to flying because their short wings are only able to keep their large body airborne for a few seconds at a time.
- Roadrunners can run at speeds of up to 20 miles per hour, especially when pursuing prey.
- The roadrunner is one of the very few animals quick enough to prey upon

rattlesnakes.

- Roadrunners have feet with two toes pointing forward and two toes pointing backward. Their feet leave X-shaped footprints along dusty paths or dry ground that can be easy to identify.
- Roadrunners <u>mate for life</u> and renew bonds each spring with <u>courtship dancing</u>, <u>calls</u>, <u>chases</u>, and sharing food.
- Both parents work together to guard and care for hatchlings. Young roadrunners can run and begin catching their own prey when they are three weeks old.
- The <u>average lifespan of a roadrunner</u> is seven to eight years.

The weather is getting nicer and nicer for bird watching, so if you're enjoying some quiet time in your front or back yard, listen for the "coo" noises roadrunners make. Remember, roadrunners blend into their surroundings very well, so keep an eye out for their head crest or their white-tipped tail. And, since roadrunners can be very skittish, try to sit as still as you can when you spot one. If not, they'll be gone in a flash, just like the famous roadrunner in the Warner Bros. cartoons.

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