



The Latest PATROL NEWS

ADDITIONAL LEVEL OF SECURITY IN COTTONWOOD/PALO VERDE

With the full support of HOA #2, the Sun Lakes Rangers will continue to provide safety patrols in the Cottonwood and Palo Verde communities. Both the Patrol and the Rangers share the goal to provide an effective and efficient Safety Patrol service to our residents and guests. This is especially important during the months when many residents have left for the summer. The Patrol and Rangers remain in constant radio contact should an event occur involving law enforcement and are available to back each up if necessary.

RULES - RULES - RULES

Societies use rules to regulate unwanted or harmful behavior and to encourage wanted or beneficial behavior. Rules also tend to make things fairer. We should follow rules to have a disciplined society. If one does not follow the rules and does whatever he or she wishes to, then there would be chaos all around.

The reason a Homeowner Association has rules, regulations and covenants, is to ensure proper order and running of the community. Without these basic tenets of organization, everyone living in the community, would be free to do as they please, leading to many issues and problems.

BARKING DOGS

Barking dogs can present a serious problem in communities. Some people are very tolerant of dog barking, other people are sensitive to the disturbance. First step (attempt) to resolve a problem. Try speaking to your neighbor or leave a note – they might not be aware of the extent of their dog(s) barking and how it affects others. This may be difficult to do at first but communicating with the dog owner is usually the most effective way to resolve the problem. If you have been informed your dog is disturbing another person's peace, you need to take action. The best way to ensure success in the effort to curb inappropriate barking is to have the support of your neighbors. If step one does not restore order, you can call the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office to report a noise violation. You may also contact the CWPV Patrol for assistance and, an eventual resolution.

LEASH LAW

Maricopa County's leash law prohibits you from allowing your dog to run at large outside your property at any time. Your dog must be confined to your home or property, either inside the home or within an enclosed yard. When you take your dog outside its confined area, it must be restrained on a leash that is no longer than six feet in length. Another good reason to keep your dog on a leash is that, well...its' basically a great neighbor policy and do not forget, it is the law. Leash laws have been in effect for years for the safety of your dog and those around them.

OPEN GARAGE DOORS

Want to keep thieves out of your garage. Close the garage door, especially at night. Just drive through any residential neighborhood and you will likely see a few or more open garage doors, with no residents in sight. An open garage door is an open invitation to criminals. If there is a door from your garage into your house, then your entire property is left at risk, when you leave that big garage door open. This provides an easy entry point to your home for burglars, allowing them to steal from your home and even put you and others at risk. Don't let the bad guy win. Did you know that there are now sensors that can be purchased and installed that send you notification if you accidentally leave your garage door open?