



DESERT HILLS V

NEWSLETTER

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President's Message

Welcome to New HOA Members! Spring is here, and summer is right around the corner. Over the winter, our neighborhood has seen a number of properties sell, and we have several new residents. Please join the HOA Board of Directors in welcoming all new owners to the neighborhood!

This newsletter is longer than usual, as it is intended to update HOA members with current information regarding the HOA and provide new owners with important information regarding the neighborhood.

HOA Social Event – Mark your calendars for the SUNDAY FUNDAY Social, hosted by the HOA Social Committee, on April 26th at the Canoa Hills Center Park area at 4 pm. This is a great opportunity to meet and mingle with your neighbors and residents new to the neighborhood. E-mail dolce_judy@yahoo.com; barbfleshman@gmail.com or kkennel@cox.net with questions and/or suggestions! More info to follow as we get closer to the date.

Desert Hills V HOA Management Primer – The DHV HOA has been self-managed since its incorporation in 1980, meaning that the Board of Directors and all HOA committees are staffed by volunteers that are property owners in the neighborhood. There are pluses and minuses of a self-managed HOA. Having all-volunteer management means that a handful of property owners spend a substantial amount of their personal time and effort managing the HOA, which helps keep the annual assessments lower than they would otherwise be, and allows issues to be addressed in a more neighborly fashion. That would not be the case if the HOA were run by a commercial management company, as many HOAs in Green Valley are. It also means that we depend on all HOA property owners to cooperate to keep the neighborhood a pleasant and attractive place to live by complying with the HOA Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions (CCRs).

HOA Property Owner Contact Information – The HOA maintains an owner contact information spreadsheet. Our preference is to communicate routine business such as newsletters and notices by email. Certain communications are required to be sent by USPS mail and need owner's mailing addresses if they are different than the street address of their Desert Hills V property. We also ask for phone numbers and alternate contacts in case we need to get in touch with you quickly. For example, every year we get reports of water leaks at houses and need to contact the owners to avoid flooding and property damage. If you are

new to the neighborhood, please complete the enclosed contact information form and return it to the HOA, either by scanning and emailing to dhvhoa@yahoo.com, or by mailing it to 2980 S. Camino Del Sol, #102, Green Valley, AZ. If any of your contact information has changed, please let us know so we can continue to communicate with you regarding HOA business.

Weeds – The most common topic in our newsletters is weeds! Considering recent years, we received a decent amount of rain this past winter. Now that temperatures are warming up, wildflowers and weeds are proliferating in many yards in the neighborhood. In the spring, the HOA typically waits until wildflower blooms wane before asking property owners to take care of the weeds on their lots, and that time is fast approaching. The HOA Architectural Committee will be surveying the neighborhood in a couple of weeks to determine which lots need to remove and control weeds. If your lot is one of those, you will receive a reminder to that effect. A follow-up survey will take place a couple weeks later, and if property owners have not addressed the issue, they will receive a notice that they are in violation of the HOA CCRs. That notice kicks off a more formal process that could result in further corrective action from the Board of Directors if the issue is not resolved. Please help out by addressing any weeds in your yard in the next few weeks.

Parking – Parking has been a significant issue in the HOA for a number of years, and the HOA strives to enforce parking restrictions in a fair and consistent manner. The HOA CCRs intend that all permanent parking occur in a garage or carport. Temporary parking in driveways or on the street by Owners, tenants, occupants or residents is limited to 72 hours or less. Guest parking is permitted for up to two (2) weeks. Please make sure that you comply with these parking restrictions to avoid receiving a reminder from the HOA.

Pets – Pet restriction in the HOA generally follow county regulations: dogs at large are not allowed in any circumstance; and situations involving pets that are determined to be a nuisance are not allowed. Dogs at large in any situation are a significant issue in our neighborhood, where older adults expect to walk without being accosted by loose dogs. Residents should also be cognizant that their neighbors may not be as tolerant of barking or other animal noise as they are. Again, being a good neighbor is the best approach to these issues. The HOA has the authority to address animals that are determined to be a nuisance, as well as dogs at large. However, nuisance animals and dogs at large are a violation of Pima County code, and the county often takes action to resolve these issues.

Updates from February HOA Membership Meeting and March Board Meeting

Road Repaving – The HOA received updated estimates for repaving HOA-owned streets in April 2025 and February 2026. Based on those estimates, the soonest the HOA may be financially able to contract for street repaving is February 2027 with work expected to occur in May, June or July 2027. Given the recent spike in oil prices, it is likely that paving costs will also go up faster than anticipated in our projections. We will request updated estimates in late summer of 2026 to get a better idea of the change in paving costs prior to our late August or early September Board meeting.

Fiber Optic Installation Proposal – Several weeks ago, the HOA received an email from a fiber optic internet service provider asking for our interest in contracting for fiber optic installation. HOA Street Committee members have since met with representatives of two fiber optic companies that are active in Green Valley, met with Board members of other HOAs that are actively working to contract for such services, met with Green Valley Council representatives, and discussed the proposal with our HOA attorney. To make a long story short, there are many legal and logistical issues that are currently unresolved. The Board determined that we currently do not have enough information to make an informed decision and we will continue to monitor developments over the summer.

Terry Chute, President DHV HOA

Upcoming Events for Desert Hills V HOA

April 26, 2026	4 pm	DHV Social Event, Canoa Hills Center Picnic Area
August/Sept, 2026	TBD	Regular Board Meeting
November, 2026	TBD	Regular Board Meeting
February, 2026	TBD	Annual Membership Meeting

Unless noted, meetings are at the Desert Hills Recreation Center. The agenda for the meetings will be posted on the HOA website at dhvhoa.org at least 72 hours prior to the meeting; Board meeting minutes are also posted on the HOA website.

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