



NEW RIVER/DESERT HILLS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

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August 10, 7:00 PM

Meet Your Candidates at *Crossroads Christian Fellowship* 42425 N. New River Rd., New River, Arizona

NR/DHCA Meetings

August 10 - 7:00 PM: Meet Your Candidates Forum (note the early start time.) The New River/Desert Hills Community Association (NR/DHCA) will be hosting its biennial "Meet Your Candidates" political forum.

Candidates running for specific positions (Arizona Governor, US Congressional District 3, and Legislative District 6) have been invited to attend. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet many of the individuals who are running for public office in our community. It's your chance to listen to and ask questions about the issues that matter most to you. Don't miss this opportunity to learn first-hand about the candidates for the August 24 primaries.

Everyone is welcome to attend. If you have questions or comments, you may submit them in advance by contacting NR/DHCA at 623-742-0150 or nrdhca@gmail.com

Sept 14 – TBA

County Boards

Board meetings agendas are at:
www.maricopa.gov/planning/agenda.asp

Board of Supervisors

- **June 23** - Reappointed Horst Kraus and Richard Painchaud to the Community Development Advisory Committee representing Supervisory District 3. The term will be effective July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.
- **July 7** - Approve a resolution that will allow the County Dept. of Transportation to apply for a \$459,610 grant through the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) for the AZ Transportation Enhancement Program. If they receive the funds, they would construct a paved, 5-foot wide bicycle lane on both sides of New River Road, from Desert Hills Dr. to E. Circle Mountain Rd (length of 3.2 miles). NR/DHCA supports this request.

Air Quality

- Sign up for air quality health watch and high pollution advisory alerts via e-mail or text message at www.CleanAirMakeMore.com.
- **Tuesday, August 10, 12:00 PM.** Maricopa County Air Quality Dept. Brown Bag event at 1001 N. Central Ave., Phoenix. Free and open to the public. It will cover Greenhouse Gases and Air Permits – Consequences and Obligations of EPA's Tailoring Rule.

http://maricopa.gov/pr_detail.aspx?releaseID=1469

Fire Bans

- Maricopa County Parks - FIRE BAN BEGAN JUNE 1, 2010. This includes banning the use of all campfires, fire pits, and charcoal grills. It is still acceptable to use gas/propane grills in designated areas.
- Tonto National Forest fire restrictions began June 11; fireworks prohibited at all times. Most types of fire or fire-causing activities are prohibited across the entire Tonto National Forest. Use of petroleum-fueled stoves, lanterns, and heating devices are allowed, and some developed campgrounds are also exempted from these restrictions. Violation of these restrictions is punishable by a fine of up to \$5,000 and imprisonment for up to six months. For more details, see www.fs.fed.us/r3/tonto/.
- For general information on fire activity and restrictions in Arizona call toll free 877-864-6985 or go to: <http://gacc.nifc.gov/swcc> or www.publiclands.org/firenews/AZ.php

Planning & Development June 24 – ZIPPOR

Zoning, Infrastructure, Policy, Procedure and Ordinance Review Committee

- **TA2010001** – Consider initiating Article 1504.5 Key Lot Wall Setback text amendment. This one will affect corrals and utility fences. <http://bit.ly/d5HJ9>
- **TA2010009**– Consider initiating Section 202 and Article 1503.7 Code Enforcement Review text amendment. Public hearing is tentatively schedule for Aug. 10. More details in the last NR/DHCA newsletter at www.nrdhca.org.
- **TA2010010** – Consider initiating a text amendment for the County Drainage Regulations. <http://bit.ly/bVc8uZ>
- **TA2010014** – Discuss a text amendment for by-right solar and small wind electrical generating equipment. http://maricopa.gov/pr_detail.aspx?releaseID=1377.
- Discuss enforceability of stipulations.

NR/DHCA has not had a chance to review the above proposals but recommends that you go to <http://maricopa.gov/planning/PublicMeetings/reports.aspx> and select Planning

and Zoning Commissions, Year 2010, Date 6-24-10

Board of Adjustment/ Drainage Review Board July 14

- **DBR2010001** – DVUSD No. 97 (Anthem) requests a drainage waiver. NR/DHCA recommended approval if it complies with the Anthem master plan.
- **BA2009066.** Terra Dynamic Engineering, LLC request for Julie and David Watts (owner) at 43934 N. 10th Street (New River) for 8 variances.
- **DRB2010002.** Architekton for the LDS Church is asking for a Drainage variance to allow retention of first flush only, where first flush and 2-hour 100 year storm event is required to be retained. NR/DHCA recommends denial because there could be negative consequences for the public downstream.
- **BA2010013.** Jenny Vitale P.E for owners Michael & Karol Udovich (45207 N. 18th Street) is asking for a variance to allow disturbance in hillside area of unknown % (guestimated to be 32.8% to 40.0%) when only 15% is allowed in the Rural-43 zoning district. Recommendation: Denial.

Campaign Finance

For campaign-finance reports for individual candidates, see <http://www.azsos.gov/cfs/CandidateSummarySearch.aspx>

Primary Election Timeline

- Deadline to register to vote in the Primary July 26, Midnight
- Early Voting Begins: July 29
- Primary Election Day: August 24



Community Events

- **May17 - July 18; Summer Reading 2010 at North Valley Regional Library - Anthem.** Register- www.mcladaz.org/summer
- **July 3, 1 - 2 PM (every FIRST Friday of each month)** Legislative Updates with LD 6 Senator David Braswell or Rep. Amanda Reeve. The meeting will be held at the North Valley Regional Library – Anthem (40410 North Gavilan Peak Parkway, Anthem, AZ 85086).
- **1st & 3rd Thursday of each month,** 7 PM, New River Kiwanis Club meets at the New River Kiwanis Community Park. All are welcome.

In Memory of Lynn Grant



Long time resident, teacher, community volunteer, and leader, Lynn passed away Saturday, May 29 over Memorial Day weekend. We miss her friendship and wise council greatly. Lynn was among the founders of the Desert Hills Improvement Association (DHIA); which began in 1985 and merged with the New River Community Association in 1999 to become the New River-Desert Hills Community Association (NR-DHCA). She served as secretary from 1999 to 2004 and throughout her long affiliation, she remained an active member. We will all remember Lynn and the contributions that she made to NR/DHCA. She always had a friendly smile and was ready to offer an encouraging word. Please feel free to send your condolences and share your stories and memories of Lynn with her husband Ed Grant via nrdhca@gmail.com. We will forward them to him. Our thoughts and prayers are with Ed and his family. We all miss her very much.

September 2, Thursday, 7 - 10 PM Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training starts and will be held eight consecutive Thursday evenings. Daisy Mountain Fire Department at Station 141, 43814 N. New River Road provides this training FREE to members of the community who wish to be better prepared to respond to and cope with the aftermath of a disaster. People may complete the training without obligation to join a CERT. This training will benefit any citizen who takes it. Department of Homeland Security for Local Community Preparedness developed this training. To register, email dave.jensen@daisymountainfire.org with your name, address, phone number, and email.

CERT training promotes a partnering effort between emergency services and the people that they serve. The goal is for emergency personnel to train members of neighborhoods, community organizations, or workplaces in basic response skills. For those who wish to continue and become CERT members, there is an opportunity to integrate into the emergency response capability for their area. Questions? Contact Captain Dave Jensen, DMFD Citizen Corps Coordinator at 602-885-2040.

Advertising Opportunity

NR/DHCA now offers advertising space in its monthly newsletter and on its website- \$25 for 1 month and \$100 for 6 months. For a 12 month subscription, non-members pay \$150 and members pay \$125. Space is limited – 1st come, 1st served. See www.nrdhca.org for more details.

Community Action Program Assistance in New River

In time or crisis or unusual stress, people often need to reach out for immediate appropriate help with personal care and encouragement. Happily, the Foundation for Senior Living has partnered with area communities. Now ANYONE income eligible (you do not have to be a senior) can get help at the New River Kiwanis building, 48606 N 17th Ave, once a month to make it easier to apply for these programs. To set up your appointment and for more information, please call 623-979-3911.

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