



# NEW RIVER/DESERT HILLS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

*Dedicated to the preservation of our Community and its rural life style*

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## March 8, 7:30 PM Community Issues and Annual Elections

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

### NR/DHCA Meetings

**Mar. 8- 7:30 PM**-New River/Desert Hills Community Association (NR/DHCA) is holding a public meeting to discuss community issues and hold their annual elections. Come find out about upcoming events such as earth day events, trail dedications, and more. This is also an opportunity to discuss issues that are facing our community. Be part of a discussion about what issues you think the association should address and/or plan for.

Nominations for the Board of Directors are being accepted now. If you, or someone you know would be interested, please let us know. Having new board members ensures that the NR/DHCA remains a fresh and vital volunteer organization and continues to have a relevant role to play in protecting and preserving our rural community. You or someone you know could help the NR/DHCA continue to be a resource for community news and collectively have a voice in the development and implementation of changes in laws, statutes, zoning ordinances and regulations that impact our homes, property values, neighborhoods, and rural lifestyle.

To be eligible, a nominee must be a NR/DHCA member that is community-minded and over the age of 18 who is willing to serve a two year term, and is current on 2011 dues. Make your nominations by contacting NR/DHCA President Shareen Goodroad (623-742-0150) or by coming to the meeting.

Come, enjoy, and learn! Everyone is invited to attend this public meeting. For more information, [www.nrdhca.org](http://www.nrdhca.org).

**April 12** – Earth Day is the best time to encourage people to do the right thing and save our planet. North Country Conservancy working with NR/DHCA, Pioneer Living History Museum, and Phoenix Parks and Conservation Foundation are hosting an April 28-29 Earth Day 2011 to do just that. Come to the NR/DHCA April 8 meeting to learn about what the opportunities you have to share and learn about the repercussions and alternatives that could make a difference in the quality of the health of our earth

### County Boards

Board meetings agendas are at:  
[www.maricopa.gov/planning/agenda.asp](http://www.maricopa.gov/planning/agenda.asp)

### Board of Supervisors

**Feb. 23**

Approve the establishment of a Deputy Constable Reserve Program. This non-

compensated volunteer deputy would allow for the use of AZPOST-certified reserve deputies at no cost to Maricopa County and will enhance the abilities of the Constables to perform service of process at irregular hours or weekends.

Authorize a lease of approximately 1,413 square feet of office space for Maricopa County Sheriff's Office Space at 3701 W. Anthem Way, Suite 103, Anthem for \$20.00 per square foot during the first lease-year, \$23.00 per square foot during the second lease-year, and increases by \$0.50 cents per square foot per year during the third, fourth and fifth lease year. The County will be responsible for rental tax and O&M expenses above a Base Year as well as any afterhours air conditioning that push expenses above the anticipated levels.

Approve the appointment of Rodney Jarvis to the Citizens' Transportation Oversight Committee representing Supervisorial District 3.

**Mar 16** – full agenda is not posted yet **TA2010020** Chapter 15 (Violation, Penalty and Enforcement) - revised text that will be considered is underlined and italicized. See more at <http://maricopa.gov/planning/News.aspx>?

**April 13** – full agenda is not posted yet **TA2007006** to consider Version 8B chiefly to consider proposed changes to off-site (billboard) sign regulations as recommended by the Planning & Zoning Commission on Jan. 13. See more at <http://maricopa.gov/planning/News.aspx>?

### Planning & Zoning

**Feb. 24** – cancelled

**Mar. 17** – agenda not posted yet

### Board of Adjustment/ Drainage Review Board February 16

**BA2010031** at 42625 N. 21 Street, New River, 85086. **Applicant and Owner**, Larry Miller, requests 5 variances for hillside disturbances and retaining wall heights. NR/DHCA reviewed this case and recommended denial because the variances are contrary to the intent and purpose of the ordinances; some could have been avoided if the property had been built as agreed to in an earlier case.

**BA2011001** at 2413 W. Irvine Rd., Desert Hills. **Applicant** Brian Stimatze with **Owner** Ray L. Sparling requests 3 variances for front and side yard setbacks. This case has been withdrawn by the owner.



### Community Events

•**Mar 3, 6:45- 8:15 PM** - Daisy Mountain Rock Club, North Valley Regional Library,

40410 N. Gavilan Peak Parkway

•**Mar 3, 7-10 PM (every Thursday for eight weeks): Community Emergency Preparedness Training - FREE!!** Offered at the Daisy Mountain Fire District Station 141, 43814 N. New River Rd., New River, AZ. To register email

[CERT@DaisyMountainFire](mailto:CERT@DaisyMountainFire) or for more information call Paul Schickel at (623) 695-1424.

•**Mar. 4, 8 AM** Roundtable breakfast meeting with Andy Kunasek (Maricopa County Supervisor for our area) in banquet room at Bill Johnson's Big Apple, 16810 N. 19th Ave (19th Ave & Bell). Speaker is Dr. Don Covey, Maricopa County Superintendent of Schools Everyone invited.

•**Mar 8, 10 AM-1 PM**, Environmental Day – Protecting Arizona's Environment - the Next 100 Years. Senate Lawn at the Capitol, 1799 W. Washington Ave, Phoenix. There will environmental exhibits and a brief program. Please let Ann Hutchinson (623-742-6514 or

[ahutchinson@daisymountain.org](mailto:ahutchinson@daisymountain.org)) know if you wish to come to this event or our meeting(s) with our legislators.

•**Mar 16, 6:30 PM**- Desert Foothills Astronomy Club (DFAC) meets at North Valley Regional Library in Anthem. See [www.dfacaz.org](http://www.dfacaz.org) for more

•**Mar 17, Noon-3 PM**. Chat with Andy Kunasek at Daisy Mountain Fire Dept, 43814 N New River Rd.

•**1st and 3rd Thursday of each month, 7:00 PM** – New River Kiwanis Club meets at the Kiwanis Building at the New River Community. Park.

### Maricopa County Parks and Recreation Department April 9, 9 AM: Spear S Ranch Trailhead Dedication

Everyone is invited to the Spear S Ranch Trail-head dedication hosted by Maricopa County Parks and Recreation, North Country Conservancy (NCC), New River-Desert Hills Community Association (NR/DHCA), and Desert Foothills Land Trust (DFLT). The hosts, assisted by Judge Clancy Jayne, will have coffee, juice, and pastries for attendees. Speakers will include County Supervisor Andy Kunasek, County Parks & Recreation Dept Director RJ Cardin, NR/DHCA President Shareen Goodroad, NCC Executive Director, Ann Hutchinson, and DFLT Executive Director, Sonia Perillo. Tentatively, there will also be a Native American blessing by Virgil Keeto and a flag ceremony by a local boy scout troop.

**Notice of March, 2011 Board Elections**

There are director and officer positions available. Anyone who is a paid member is eligible to be on the board. Without at least 2 new board members, NR/DHCA is in serious danger of disbanding. Please step up and help keep a worthwhile organization that fulfills a key role in our community to keep going – WE NEED YOU! Anyone interested, please contact Shareen Goodroad at 623-742-0150.

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**Earth Day 2011~April 29 & 30, 2011**  
at the Pioneer Living History Museum

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North Country Conservancy with our community partners, Pioneer Living History Museum, Phoenix Parks and Conservation Foundation, and New River/Desert Hills Community Association, invite you to learn about sustainability and recycling. Bring the family, take home useful giveaways, meet the businesses and experts that can help, and share your enthusiasm with hundreds of people! For more information call us at 623.293.8628 or visit our website at: [www.daisymountain.org](http://www.daisymountain.org)



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NR/DHCA ANNUAL DUES ARE \$20. To join, please complete the following, write a \$20 check made out to NR/DHCA and mail both to NR/DHCA, 515 E. Carefree Hwy., # 300, Phoenix, AZ 85085-8839. **Annual Dues are payable in January. If you haven't submitted yours yet, please do so soon. We depend on your support!**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ New Renewal

Address: City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Next meeting  
March 8, 7:30 PM  
Have you paid 2011 Dues?**