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SADDLEHORN HOMEOWNERS' NEIGHBORHOOD NEWSLETTER

2021 MEETING SCHEDULE FOR SADDLEHORN HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION

In an effort to save the Association in copy and mailing costs, the HOA meeting agendas are no longer mailed in advance. They are now posted on the website www.Saddlehorn.org under the "Resources" tab. If you don't have internet access, you can contact Management to have the agenda mailed to you.

All Board of Directors meetings will be held online or by conference call. The login/call in numbers will be on each posted agenda at least five days prior to each meeting.

January 27, 2021 at 5:30pm
April 14, 2021 at 5:30pm
July 21, 2021 at 5:30pm
October 20, 2021 at 5:30pm

All homeowners have the right to have a copy of the audio recording, the minutes or a summary of the minutes of this meeting distributed to him/her upon request, in electronic format at no charge to the unit's owner or, if the association is unable to provide the copy or summary in electronic format, in paper format at a cost not to exceed 25 cents per page for the first 10 pages, and 10 cents per page thereafter. Minutes are available for free, upon request by going to www.gwascorp.com or Saddlehorn.org.

ELECTION RESULTS

While the Association is saying goodbye to Amanda Alfaro who chose not to run again, the Board would like to give a special thanks to Amanda for her work and commitment to ARC committee for the past two years. Your 2021 Board of Directors are incumbents Tom Wright and Brett Nelson. Two new members, Jenny Darlington and Rick Fedick, were elected by acclamation last month. Rick served three years in the airborne infantry. He's now a retired CFO in construction from San Francisco who recently relocated to Reno. Rick and his wife have three daughters, one son and three grandchildren here in the Reno area. Rick wanted to be more active in the community and thought serving on the Board would be a great way to get started.

OUTDOOR LIGHTING CONCERNS

Now that our days are growing shorter, we would like to call your attention to the outdoor lighting of your property. One of the pleasant features of this community is that it is relatively dark at night. But in this relative darkness and open hillside, a single misplaced light, especially an outdoor flood lamp, can light up bedrooms and living rooms of neighbors hundreds of feet away. This is annoying to others and is inconsistent with our neighborhood covenants.

Outdoor lighting should only be illuminating your property. That means using fixtures with cutoffs and mount lights to beam downward rather than outward. Many of us are second or third owners and have inherited lighting that may need some updating.

Please take a few minutes some dark evening and check where your outdoor lighting is going. Have someone cycle the yard lights while you look outward. If your neighbor's walls light up or shadows cross the fields beyond your fences, you probably need to make some simple adjustments that your neighbors will appreciate

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Vice President
Secretary

Jenny Darlington,
Treasurer

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Director-at-Large

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Snow Removal

Who's responsible for snow removal? The County is responsible for removal, the owners are responsible for damage. Washoe County has a protocol for street clearing which focuses on the main arteries and then they progress to the smaller streets. The map that is included is from the Washoe County website for snow and ice control. The pink roads are considered the main priority followed by the blue and lastly the yellow streets.

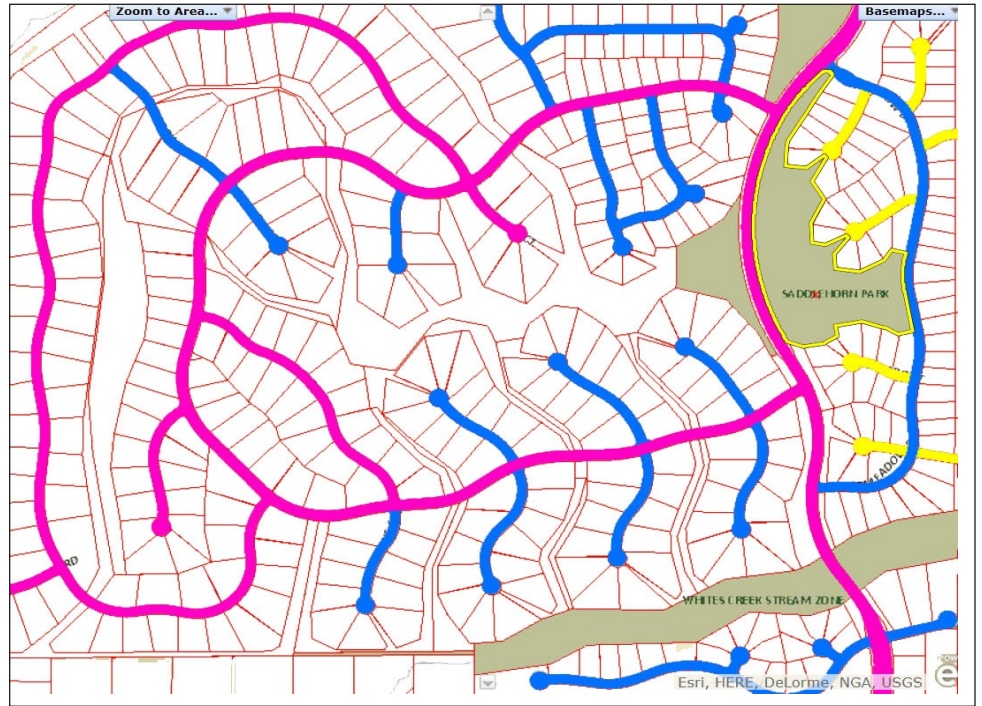
WALKING TRAIL COURTESY

As members continue to use the trails and park in increasing numbers, likely due to the pandemic, we wanted to take this time to again ask that everyone be mindful of the following:

Dog walkers should always have their pets on a leash. Even if your dog is friendly, not everyone is comfortable having a dog approach without being restrained. This is also a violation of County ordinance to have dogs off leash. Remember, too, that bears, coyotes and deer are in the area. You put your dog at increased risk if you should run across any of these animals and your dog pursues because they are not leashed.

All dog walkers, please pick up after your pets. More dog stations were added to the trails in 2019 to try to help make disposal more convenient.

If you see a problem on the trail, please report to Management. This could be trash needing to be emptied, bushes or trees needing to be trimmed back in an area, or any other concern.



SADDLEHORN PARK

The park is not controlled by the Association. Saddlehorn has an agreement that requires the Association to carry the insurance of the property and to maintain the facilities but the Association is not required to fund or replace items that have been removed in the past. This would include the pergola over the picnic area and the playground equipment.

- ☞ The basketball area, tennis courts and horseshoe pits are still open through the winter months so they can be used when the weather permits all year.
- ☞ The volleyball net is down and bathrooms are closed until April next year.

Below is the most current information about nearby park improvements, copied from the County website (www.washoecounty.us/parks/planning_and_development/current_projects.php).

Ballardini Ranch to Thomas Creek Trailhead Connector: Washoe County Regional Parks anticipated construction beginning summer 2020 on 3.5 miles of new single-track trail to finish the connection between the Ballardini Ranch Trailhead and the Thomas Creek Trailhead in south Reno. All environmental clearance work has been completed.

Ellen's Park Playground: Washoe County Regional Parks is installing new playground equipment and soft-fall surfacing at Ellen's Park (off Zolezzi Lane and Creek Crest Drive). Work was to start in spring/summer 2020.

Lower Thomas Creek Trail Reroute and Bridge: Washoe County Regional Parks is working to reroute a section of the Lower Thomas Creek Trail between Arrowcreek Park and Zolezzi Lane. The trail reroute requires a new low-flow bridge crossing and approximately 1/4-mile of new trail construction. Construction was to begin in July 2020.

Mobile Version of the Galena Creek Nature Trail Guide: Explore the Nature Trail located at Galena Creek Regional Park while following along with their new mobile and interactive Galena Creek Nature Trail Guide, formatted for easier use from a mobile device.

