

# Riverhaven

## News from the River's Edge

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### Planes, Trains & Automobiles (...and Boats, RV's, Trailers)

We have seen an increase of parking infractions in the community. Summer is a good time to review the parking regulations of the City of Tucson as well as the CC&R's parking policies. Riverhaven streets are city streets, not private community streets, and all City of Tucson auto/parking regulations apply.

Some residents enjoy boating as a summer past-time. Please remember that boats are **NOT ALLOWED TO BE PARKED** on Riverhaven streets or in driveways. Residents with boats must find another place to park their boats.

Per the CC&R's, vehicles must be parked within the garage or on the driveway of the property... not on the sidewalk or across the driveway. If the driveway is not sufficiently wide or long to permit vehicles to be parked on the driveway, the occupant is allowed to park on the street in front of their dwelling. *Occasional* overflow parking is allowed on the street provided that **NO** inconvenience is imposed on the owners or occupants of other homes.

#### **IT IS ILLEGAL TO PARK ANY VEHICLE...**

1. On a sidewalk area and/or including the accessibility ramp to the street
2. In front of or across a driveway
3. Within five 5 feet of a driveway
4. On or over a crosswalk
5. Within 20 feet of a crosswalk or intersection
6. In front of a mailbox (the mail carrier will not deliver if a vehicle is parked in front of a mailbox)
7. In the opposite direction of the traffic flow
8. Where "no parking" signs are posted
9. Within 15 feet of a fire hydrant
10. Within an intersection
11. On the gravel at the side of the driveway or in the yard at the side of the house.

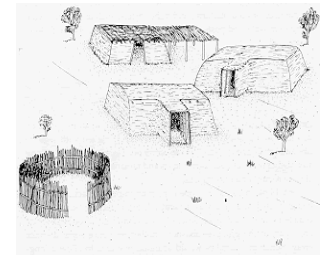
The speed limit on ALL Riverhaven streets is **25 MPH**. This includes all of **Paradise Falls** and all of **Riverhaven Drive**.

### History Nook

#### ..... The Hohokam, Part II: Our Closest Neighbors

By Sandy Chan, resident of Lilly Pond Place

There were several major Hohokam settlements located along the Rillito. The closest to Riverhaven is the Hardy Site at what is now Fort Lowell Park. Occupied from about 700 – 1400 A.D., it was a large village of about 300 – 600 people and was probably one of the first Hohokam villages established in the Tucson valley. It may have been the ceremonial center for the northeastern Tucson Basin. The site was chosen because of the then year round water supply and it is in a prime valley location. Before the Hohokam settled there it was probably occupied by other peoples. Long after the Hohokam abandoned the site, was chosen by the U.S Army as the location Fort Lowell for the same reason – location, location, location. There has never been a ball court or platform mound found at the site but archaeologists believe that they were destroyed when Fort Lowell was built in 1873.



About the year 1200 the Hardy site was abandoned. Just east of and visible from the Hardy site is another Hohokam village now known as the University Indian Ruin. This village, probably established by the villagers from the Hardy site, did have a ball court and a platform mound. The

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*Our Closest Neighbors)*

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# The Gardener's Gloves

reprinted from previous newsletter



## RIVERHAVEN COMMUNITY LANDSCAPING

By Maureen Morrell

The following article is intended to be a review of the Riverhaven Community Covenants, Codes, and Restrictions. It also includes some helpful suggestions for the maintenance, preservation, and protection of your important investment- YOUR HOME.

### LANDSCAPING COVANTENTS, CONDITIONS, AND RESTRICTIONS.

1. **FRONT AND SIDE YARD LANDSCAPING:** Within 90 days of acquiring an improved (graded) lot, each owner shall landscape (If not already landscaped) such lot and any public right-of-way areas (other than side walks or bicycle paths) lying between the front or side boundaries of such lot and adjacent street (i.e. mail box area). No turf is allowed in the front yard. Rock ground cover must be an "earth tone".

Each owner shall maintain the landscaping as above and shall keep the land free of debris and weeds at all times and promptly repair portions of the landscaping which have been damaged.

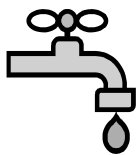
2. **BACK YARD:** Rear yard landscaping does not require Architectural Committee approval except on lots with view fencing. All rear yard landscaping must be installed within one (1) year after becoming the owner of the lot. (See CC&R's).

3. **DUST CONTROL:** Owner shall take necessary and appropriate measures to prevent and control the emanation of dust and dirt. Owner shall continue to maintain lot in a manner that minimizes the possibility of dust being transmitted into the air and over to adjacent properties.

4. **APPROVED PLANT LIST:** Riverhaven Community uses the Regulatory List for the Arizona Department of Water Resources, Tucson Active Management Area, etc. (Attached to your copy of CC&R's). Also see the Arizona Department of Water Resources website for a downloadable PDF of the list. A link for this guide is also available on the Riverhaven website. [http://www.azwater.gov/dwr/content/Find by Program/Drought and Conservation/LowWaterPlantLists/TucsonAMA/2006 Plant List complete w DYWU.pdf](http://www.azwater.gov/dwr/content/Find%20by%20Program/Drought%20and%20Conservation/LowWaterPlantLists/TucsonAMA/2006%20Plant%20List%20complete%20w%20DYWU.pdf)

### LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE SUGGESTIONS

**IRRIGATION AND DRAINAGE:** Maintain drainage at all times. If proper drainage is impeded or negated, your home or your neighbor's home could be severely damaged. Watch irrigation systems, hoses, etc. for excess watering- especially in the winter. If water is permitted to pool against foundations, it may cause structural damage due to erosion or



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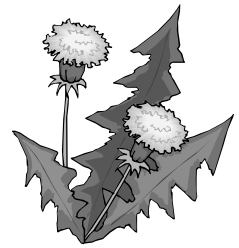
## WEED CONTROL

Rebecca Weinberg, Chairman Landscaping Committee

This is the time of year we have the most difficulty with weeds. I have some tips to help you with the job.

1. The best control can be attained by using pre-emergent preparations twice a year. They should be applied in the fall (for control of winter weeds) and in the spring (for control of summer weeds). A granular product called Amaze can be sprinkled and must be watered into the ground. There are other products, such as Garden Grass Killer, that can be sprayed. These products can be used in gardens as well as front yards, as long as you aren't planting from seed.

2. Here are several ways of getting rid of existing weeds. "Tender" weeds can be killed by spraying a mixture of 2 cups of vinegar, 1 Cup of salt, with 1 gallon of water, on the foliage of weeds. If you choose this method, you need to be careful not to spray much on the ground because it will add salt to the soil. Clove oil can be purchased and sprayed to kill weeds.



Systemic weed killers such as Remuda can be purchased and are very effective. If you use them near ornamentals, hold a piece of cardboard between the weed and ornamental as you spray. Desert Broom is especially difficult to kill because of the plant bark. In this instance, the herbicide must be used in a higher concentration in order to be effective. Often this weed grows within our ornamentals making it hard to spray without killing the ornamental. One solution is to separate out the Desert Broom, flatten it on the ground, and spray it.

3. It is best to pull weeds after a rain because it is when you are most likely to remove all of the root system--besides, it's easier!

*Information provided by Patrick Tobin at Harlow Gardens. Call him with any gardening questions at 886-5475.*



### Some Really Helpful Gardening Links:

1. Harlow Gardens (<http://www.harlowgardens.com>)
2. National Gardening Q&A Library ( [www.garden.org/searchqa/](http://www.garden.org/searchqa/) )
3. Tohono Chul Park ( [www.tohonochulpark.org](http://www.tohonochulpark.org) )
4. University of Arizona Campus Arboretum ([arboretum.arizona.edu](http://arboretum.arizona.edu) )
5. Monrovia Growers ( [www.monrovia.com](http://www.monrovia.com) )

The Riverhaven Board of Directors is encouraging Riverhaven residents in the set-up of Neighborhood Watch programs—simply neighbors watching out for each other during the workday, evenings, vacations or any other absence. The purpose of the Neighborhood Watch program is to create an alert neighborhood by using simple crime prevention methods. The program works through the mutual aid of neighbors watching the property of other neighbors.

If you interested in setting up a Neighborhood Watch group for your section of the neighborhood, call Jeff Jacobson [349-8988]; he has held a neighborhood meeting and can help with



information and a copy of *Neighborhood Watch—A Leader's Guide To Getting Started*. This booklet has information on the basics of putting a Neighborhood Watch group together for your area of our community. Talk to your neighbors on your street, block, or cul-de-sac about joining the watch.

The Riverhaven community website ([www.riverhaven.us](http://www.riverhaven.us)) has a link for more information or call Becky Noel, TPDF Community Service Officer at 791-4806 ext 1019 or Ofc. Fernando Robles, TPD Officer Representative at 791-4253 (Operations Division Midtown).

## America's Night Out Against Crime!

The "24<sup>th</sup> Annual National Night Out" (NNO), a unique crime/drug prevention event sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW), has been scheduled for **Tuesday, August 7, 2007**.



We cordially invite you to be a part of the NIGHT OUT 2007 team here in Riverhaven. Call Tiffanie Bialis 624-5508 or 370-7922 or email her at [tiffieaz@aol.com](mailto:tiffieaz@aol.com) for more information.

Last year's National Night Out campaign involved over 10,000 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases worldwide. In all, over **34 million** people participated in NNO 2006. Let's add to that number by participating in 2007!

### NATIONAL NIGHT OUT is designed to:

1. Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness
2. Generate support for, and participation in, local anticrime programs
3. Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships
4. Send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back
5. Enjoy a flashlight walk with your family.

Special flyers for this event will be mailed in July. Along with the traditional display of outdoor lights and front porch vigils, we are hoping to have visits from the TPD and TFD.

## SOCIAL COMMITTEE...We need IDEAS & PEOPLE !!!

Tiffanie Bialis, chairman of the social committee for the Riverhaven Home Owners Association, invites anyone in our neighborhood interested in joining the Social Committee and helping plan social activities to call her at 624-5508 or 370-7922 or email her at [tiffieaz@aol.com](mailto:tiffieaz@aol.com). Some really fun activities are being planned and the committee would like as many residents as possible to join in the planning. We're sure that lots of you have some really great ideas for activities that would bring our community together. Please call and share your ideas. Better yet, join the Social Committee. We're waiting to hear from YOU!

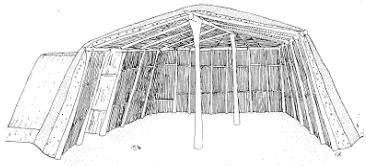
## HOA Committees



We are always looking for volunteers to serve on the various HOA committees. Please contact the chair of the committee to let them know of your interest and desire to serve.

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chairman</u>	<u>Phone Contact</u>
Architectural Review	Beth Barry	298-3668
Covenants	Sandy Chan	325-2038
Social	Tiffanie Bialis	624-5508
Landscape	Rebecca Weinberg	790-7870
Newsletter	Cindy Hagerman	325-6848
Safety	Jeff Jacobson	349-8988

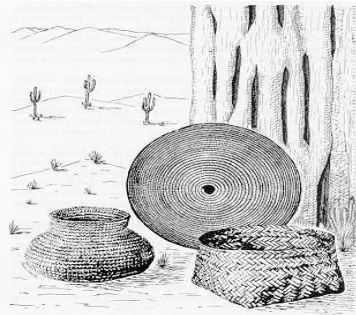
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This cutaway drawing of a Hohokam pit house shows the different materials used in its construction. The inner support posts are covered with brush, and the brush is plastered over with mud and dirt. The small feature near the entryway is the clay-lined hearth.

ruins of the village were substantial enough to be listed as a tourist location in Tucson guide books from the 1930s. The people in our local Hohokam villages lived in single story pit houses. Their language was similar to the modern day Tohono O’odham. Little is known of their religious beliefs but anthropologists speculate they are

similar to groups in Mexico that also had sacred ball courts and pyramid mounds. They grew corn, beans, squash, cotton, tobacco and other crops watered by the local canal system, traces of which still remain. The Corbett Ditch, located in the Old Fort Lowell neighborhood, is believed to have been dug on an old Hohokam canal. Up until just a few years ago the ditch carried water nearly year around.



The Hohokam wove baskets and made pottery. They made a lot of pottery. Even today the remains of their pots can still be found in and along the Rillito River. Dr. Paul Fish, Curator, Archaeology Arizona State Museum says: “As archaeologists, we try to discourage artifact collecting--even those items on the current surface of the ground. Archaeological interpretation is dependent on an understanding of site contexts (the relationships between artifacts and their depositional surroundings) and once those contexts are disturbed, the potential for interpretation is reduced. In Arizona, collecting on public lands (such as the Hardy Site) is prohibited by state law.” So, don’t break the law and keep the archaeologists happy, no matter how tempting it is leave pot sherds, arrowheads and any other Native American artifacts undisturbed.

**Web Site to Visit:** Hohokam Indians of the Tucson Basin [electronic book]

<http://www.uapress.arizona.edu/onlinebks/hohokam/titlhoho.htm>

**Fun activity:** At Fort Lowell Park you can visit the Fort Lowell Museum where artifacts found at the Hardy Site are on display.

expansion of the soil. Also watch for under watering as drip caps often plug due to accumulation of calcium from the water, and debris.

**PLANTING:** Do not plant close to foundations. Three feet should be the minimum distance.

**TRIMMING:** Keep all trees, plants, and shrubs trimmed so as to not obstruct sidewalks, public access areas, or common walls.

SEASONAL IRRIGATION GUIDELINES

The times and settings are intended only as a guideline. Customize your own settings according to your particular landscaping needs. Review your owner’s manual for programming the drip system. If the manual is displaced, call KB customer service for advice to locate a copy of the HUNTER EC manual or go online at [http://www.costlessirrigation.com/pdf/Hunter\\_EC\\_Owners\\_Manual.pdf](http://www.costlessirrigation.com/pdf/Hunter_EC_Owners_Manual.pdf) for a downloadable PDF copy. A link for this guide is also available on the Riverhaven website.

JAN-MAR	30 minutes	1 x day, 2 days/week
APRIL-JUNE	30 minutes	2 x day, 3-4 days/week
JULY-SEPT	30 minutes	2 x day, 4-5 days/week
OCT-DEC	30 minutes	1 x day, 1-2 days/week

Summer Pet Safety Tips

Some reminders to help keep our furry “family” members happy and safe:

**Shelter Is Essential:**

Remember we have extreme desert temperature and pets need adequate shelter when outside.



**Licenses are Mandatory for Dogs:** Your dog must wear a collar displaying its current Pima County license. Adding a separate tag which lists your name, current address and telephone number is a good idea.

**Food and Water:** Animals must have access to clean, drinkable water in a container which cannot be tipped over or spilled and where it will not get hot.

**Animal Waste:** Owners must clean up their pets’ waste on their own property every 24 hours. Please pick up your animal’s waste on private property or public right of ways. It must be disposed of in a sanitary manner (i.e. carry a “poop” bag when you walk your dog.)

For a **great printable resource guide** for pet owners go to: <http://www.azstarnet.com/subsections/includes/pets/PetResources.pdf>

# BLACK AS THE PIT, FROM POLE TO POLE . . . .

. . . and so it is in Riverhaven, because many residents' homes do not have their **dusk to dawn** lights on at night. The *dusk to dawn* lights on each home are intended to come on automatically each evening and go off each morning. Each home has a solar sensor on the side of the garage or home. These *dusk to dawn* lights are intended to provide a measure of safety within our community.

Recently, the HOA Board was informed that there are three different set-ups for the *dusk to dawn* lights for homeowners in Riverhaven.

1. Garage lights are wired with no switch to activate the *dusk to dawn* feature and require no action by the homeowner .
2. Garage lights have an on/off switch that must be in the "on" position in order for the solar sensor to work. In this instance, the garage light switch should be left in the "on" position to activate the *dusk to dawn* feature of the garage lights.
3. Garage lights and porch light are wired together. In order for the garage lights' *dusk to dawn* feature to

work "automatically", the porch light must be left on at all times. In this instance, the homeowner should contact KB customer service (520-918-6400 M-F 7am-6pm) and ask that the problem be corrected so that the garage lights work independently of the porch light.

In all cases, please check to be sure that your light bulb is not burned out and that the solar sensor is working properly.

For those homeowners who would like to keep down the ambient light emitted by either the garage lights or the porch light and who do not wish to incur the expense of a new "*shielded/full cut-off*" light fixture, using a Philips Halogen PAR Lamp (PAR20 medium base) 50w flood bulb provides a



similar effect as a shielded light.

Please help keep our community a safe place to live and in which to take evening walks by keeping your driveway/garage lights on as well as your front door porch light lit.

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## ENERGY STAR Change a Light Day—Wed, OCTOBER 3rd

October 4th will mark the second annual ENERGY STAR Change a Light Day, and hundreds of organizations like ours will announce their pledge progress at that time. Please join us now in taking the pledge. It's a simple commitment that will go a long way to assure that the energy resources we rely on and the environment we live in are preserved for generations to come. Go to '[energystar.gov/changealight](http://energystar.gov/changealight)' and select Riverhaven Home Owner's Association from the list and help demonstrate that the Riverhaven Community is a significant part of this vital national movement. If every American home replaced just one light bulb with an ENERGY STAR qualified bulb, we would save **enough energy to light more than 3 million homes for a year**, more than **\$600 million in annual energy costs**, and prevent greenhouse gases equivalent to the emissions of more than **800,000 cars**.

This year, Riverhaven Home Owner's Association is volunteering to help preserve our country's energy resources and help reduce the risks of global climate change by encouraging our residents to change at least **one light** at home to one that has earned the government's ENERGY STAR for energy efficiency. Doing this would save 119,850 kWh of energy and prevent 189,5500 pounds of greenhouse gas emissions. Just think of the change that would occur if we changed 2 bulbs or more!!! A suggestion is to change at least one of your garage lights with an ENERGY STAR bulb, preferably a bulb that is shielded.

Here are some examples of the types of bulbs available for the home. Should you choose, there are also ENERGY STAR fixtures available to replace the standard fixtures in your home.



# CLEANUP DAY & BLOCK PARTY

## SAVE THE DATE

### SATURDAY, SEPT 29

The Social Committee is planning a Fall Neighborhood Cleanup and Block Party for Saturday, September 29th. Please try to keep this Saturdays open (we will send a special flyer announcing the event).



The committee is planning to block off all of Winding River and most of Stone River for our Block Party and visits are planned by the Tucson Fire Department and the Tucson Police Department. We are also hoping to have a “bouncing” house and bike safety skills for children

and other fun activities for all.

Coordination of the cleanup will start early in the morning at the Wading Pond Common area. Bags and gloves and a few rakes will be supplied. If neighbors can think of other helpful supplies for the cleanup, please bring them with you.

The block party will take place in the afternoon. Neighbors are asked to bring their own chairs to the event.

Please save the dates and come and get to know your neighbors! We look forward to seeing all 425 homes represented!!!!



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## WEED CONTROL SUGGESTIONS FOR THE DO-IT-YOURSELFERS

Before the Monsoon season hits us with all with it's wonderful rain and cooling weather, we suggest that homeowners might want to get a handle on the weeds in their yards and around the front/sides of their property. The HOA passes on this suggestion from homeowner Keith Primm of River Falls Drive. Keith is the Tucson Field Rep for HD Supply MRO and will be happy to answer your questions about this product. Please feel free to contact him on his cell phone: 520-444-0785.



- 1 GAL ROUNDUP WEED & GRASS KILLER Super Concentrate
- 1 Gallon Round Up® Weed And Grass Killer Concentrate - 50% Active Ingredient
- 1 Quart Makes Up To 21 Gallons Of Spray To Cover 1/4 Acre—Makes Up To 84 Gallons

### When to Apply

Apply when weeds are actively growing. For best results, apply during warm, sunny weather (above 60° F). Spray when air is calm to prevent drift to desirable plants. Weeds usually begin to wilt within two to four days and dead within one to two weeks.

- FastAct™ Technology formula starts working immediately, with visible results in 24 hours!
- Rainproof protection in 30 minutes.
- Kills weeds to the root so they don't come back!

# Handy Telephone Numbers & Email Addresses

Cadden Community Management [Cindy Borquez}	297-0797
Make complaints in writing/email: 1870 W. Prince Road #47, Tucson, AZ 85705	Email: cborquez@cadden1.com
Building Permits	791-5550
Cable Television Theft	1-800-341-0901
Police, Mid-Town Station	791-4253
Police, Non-emergency report & general information line	791-4444
Dogs [barking, loose or neglected dogs], Pima Animal Care Center	743-7550
Drug activity, suspected	911
Fish & Game [wild life problems]	628-5376
Graffiti	
In progress	911
If you know the identity of a graffiti vandal	88-CRIME (882-7463)
To clean up graffiti	791-2489
Litter Hotline	1-887-354-8837
Mosquito Hotline [standing water, neglected pools]	740-3191
Noise [always follow through on a noise complaint; if you cancel the call, no report will be filed]	911
Shopping cart pickup:	
Basha's [Swan/Camp Lowell]	323-5820
City of Tucson, Department of Neighborhood Resources	791-5843
Street sign maintenance	791-3154
Trees for Tucson [tree grant program]	791-3109
Ward 2 Council Office [Carol West]	791-4687
Weeds that exceed 10 inches	791-3171
Wildcat Dumps	622-5800

## City of Tucson Department of Neighborhood Resources

City of Tucson Department of Neighborhood Resources can be contacted by phone, 791-5843, or online using an anonymous web form at <http://www.tucsonaz>.

### Exterior Property Issues

- Excessive residential storage
- Excessive vegetation
- Junk motor vehicles
- Illegal Dumping
- Trash, debris
- Abandoned shopping carts
- Refuse and recycling container violations

### Interior Property Issues

- Criminal nuisance properties
- Lack of utilities, heating, or cooling
- Inoperable plumbing
- Pests, bees, cockroaches, rodents
- Unmaintained and unsecured pools
- Unsafe interior and living conditions
- Vacant, neglected, boarded structure

### Other

- Construction work without permits
- Excessive yard sales
- Graffiti removal
- Hazardous building modifications
- Home occupations illegal to the zone
- Mobile peddlers
- Non-conforming setbacks
- Non-permitted or illegal signs
- Zoning violations

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**HOA BOARD MEETINGS**  
are normally scheduled for the  
**2nd WEDNESDAY of each month**

**Time: 6:15pm**

**Location: Lighthouse YMCA**  
**N. Columbus Blvd**

notices are mailed before each meeting

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Riverhaven Speed Limit  
25mph*



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