

# Riverhaven

## News from the River's Edge

July 2011 Update

### Has your home needed major plumbing repairs? Please let us know!

In the past several months the Board has heard from several homeowners about their pipes bursting between the house and the street. Furthermore, the City of Tucson has needed to repair several water main breaks throughout our neighborhood. We've had reports from contractors who performed the repairs that they are **polybutylane pipes** – a home construction material that is no longer allowed. The Board is considering action, but first, ***we want to know if you've had trouble with your water pipes breaking.*** If so, please report your experience to Cathy Shull at [cshull@cadden.com](mailto:cshull@cadden.com) or (520) 297-0797.



### Landscaping improvements increase safety and security in Christopher Creek Wash

You may have noticed some major improvements in the Christopher Creek common area lately. This has been a priority of the Board since mid-2010 due to increased criminal activity near the wash, including: graffiti, questionable pedestrian traffic, and several burglaries in surrounding homes.

A variety of solutions have been considered, including: volunteer graffiti cleanup and special sign coatings, increased lighting to improve visibility, encouraging the establishment of nearby neighborhood watches, and requesting additional police patrols in the area. In this effort, at the June 2011 meeting funding was approved to complete the cleanup of the Christopher Creek common area. With the help of our new landscaping chair, Brenda Hettinger, we've established more rigorous standards for the upkeep of this area, including:

- Trimming tree limbs up above 6 feet, to increase light and visibility within the wash
- Remove brush and debris, to reduce fire hazard and allow correct water drainage. *We also ask residents to refrain from disposing trash or landscaping debris into the common areas.*
- Repair common wall damage and other structural issues revealed from the cleanup
- Establish (contractual) service rotations requiring **all** common areas to be addressed at least twice per calendar year by our hired landscaping crew
- Conduct a current landscape inventory to address any dead common area plants/trees (after this winter's hard frost), using the original Riverhaven landscape plan

### **FREE** food/beverage at the all-new **National Night Out**



This year's National Night Out will be on **Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>**. We hope the later date will provide perfect weather to get out and enjoy our community and meet your neighbors! We're also reinventing this year's event with **BBQ block parties** all around Riverhaven. Look for event details, neighborhood maps, as well as your **tickets** in next quarterly newsletter (late-September). The tickets can be redeemed for **free food or drink**, as well as many exciting prizes. We're still looking for additional volunteers – please contact Carmin Chan at [carmin.chan@gmail.com](mailto:carmin.chan@gmail.com) or John Che at [jackyblack@yahoo.com](mailto:jackyblack@yahoo.com) if interested.



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## Riverhaven Homeowner's Association July Meeting

### Khalsa Montessori School

3701 E. River Rd. (across the street from JCC)

**Wednesday, July 13th at 6:00pm**

<p><b>May &amp; June Meeting Highlights</b></p> <p>Board discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Possible legal action regarding plumbing problems throughout neighborhood</li> <li>• Landscaping improvements at front monument and throughout Christopher Creek wash</li> <li>• Reviewed gas well monitoring reports</li> <li>• Website updates and internet communications</li> </ul>			<p><b>Your business could be showcased here!!</b></p> <p>←-----</p> <p><i>email Cindy Hagerman at <a href="mailto:cindytucson@yahoo.com">cindytucson@yahoo.com</a> for ad rates for business card-sized ads in the updates and business card-sized, ¼ and ½ page ads in the fall &amp; spring newsletters.</i></p>
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