

Quarterly Newsletter

A FIREWISE COMMUNITY

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IRONWOOD VILLAGE

A Message from Your HOA President

Dear Ironwood Village Friends and Neighbors,

Happy New Year! As we step into 2025, I'd like to take a moment to reflect on some of our key achievements from 2024 and share exciting updates for the year ahead.

One major highlight was the transition from traditional snail-mail voting to an online voting system with automatic tallying. This change has made our voting process faster, more accurate, and significantly more efficient. No more manually counting ballots! This improvement will also streamline our Annual Members Meetings, making them more concise and productive.

Another success has been the growing use of our texting capability to communicate important updates. In addition to email and snail mail, this added method of communication has broadened our reach. If you're not receiving messages through your preferred channels, you can visit our website to opt in for the communication methods you prefer.

You may have noticed delays in our project to enhance signage in our sub-developments (Pods), which were impacted by challenges with the City of Scottsdale's building permit process. The pandemic and subsequent updates to the city's permitting system caused significant setbacks. However, we're pleased to share that we're finally ready to begin this long-anticipated project. Keep an eye out for these improvements as they come to life in the near future!

Lastly, we are wrapping up an important update to our community's irrigation system. This project introduces state-of-the-art water control and monitoring technology, which will make our infrastructure more reliable and cost-effective. With water supply concerns growing and costs rising, these enhancements will help us better manage expenses and conserve resources in the years ahead.

Thank you all for your continued support and involvement in making Ironwood Village a wonderful community. Here's to a bright and prosperous 2025!

Warm regards,

Dan Frigard

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Landscape Updates – Winter Prep and Beyond!

We're excited to share some updates about our common areas:

🌳 Winterizing Our Trees

Our trees in the common areas have been fully winterized for the season, ensuring they remain healthy and ready for the months ahead.

💧 Smart Water Irrigation System

Desert Earth Work is putting the finishing touches on the installation of our brand-new smart water irrigation system! This upgrade is designed to improve water efficiency while keeping our landscaping vibrant.

🍂 Fall Debris Cleanup Continues

Fall debris pickup is ongoing and will carry into the early spring. Thank you for your patience as we work to keep the community clean and inviting.

🌱 Pre-Emergent Weed Control

Starting in late January, we'll apply pre-emergent treatment in the common areas to manage invasive weeds before they take hold. We appreciate your support in maintaining our beautiful community!

Vice President

Terry Miller



ANNUAL HALLOWEEN SPOOKFEST



IN OCTOBER, NEIGHBORS
GATHERED AND ENJOYED
OUR ANNUAL SPOOKFEST
AND TRUNK OR TREAT
EVENT (FOR THE FIRST
YEAR!) COMPLETE WITH
SLIDES, GAMES, COFFEE
AND TREATS



Hosted By:

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Committee and Co-Chair of the
Firewise Committee*



AN UPDATE FROM OUR SOCIAL COMMITTEE

COMMUNITY WINE TASTING

In December, Pinard Wine Bar hosted us for our first neighborhood wine tasting! It was so great to see familiar faces, share some laughs, and enjoy delicious wine together. Events like this remind me of how special our community is. We hope you can join us for our next tasting in February. (Details to follow)



Owners and IV Residents, Letty and Jason



We had a full house!

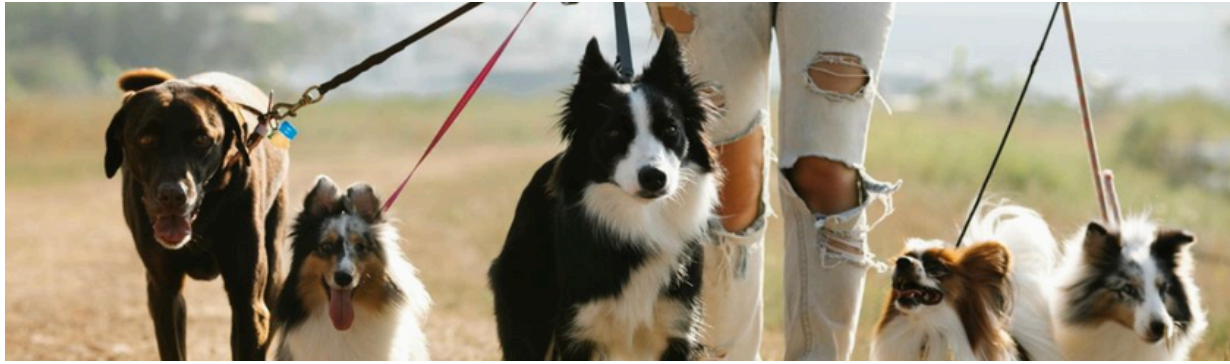


Rae and Lillian enjoying the tasting



Brad and Lindsay Ringer

***Show this newsletter to Pinard staff and receive 15% off your food bill now through the end of February.**



A Friendly Reminder for Our Dog Owners

As members of the Ironwood Village community, we all have a role in keeping our neighborhood clean, safe, and enjoyable for everyone—including our furry friends! Please remember to clean up after your pets, whether it's in your yard, along the dirt walking paths, or in our shared community spaces. Waste bags are conveniently provided throughout Ironwood Village, so please use them and dispose of waste properly.

Additionally, a quick reminder to please keep your dogs on a leash whenever they are outside of your property. Not only is this the law, but it also helps ensure the safety of your pets and neighbors. Even the friendliest dogs can be unpredictable in new situations, so leashing them ensures everyone enjoys a peaceful, worry-free environment.

Together, we can keep Ironwood Village a clean, beautiful, and safe place to call home—for both people and pets alike!

BULK TRASH

Place your brush and bulk piles out no later than 5 a.m. on Monday of your collection week. Material may not be placed for collection any earlier than three (3) days prior to Monday of the week the area is scheduled for collection.

January 6	February 3	March 3
March 31	April 28	June 2
July 7	August 4	September 8
October 8	November 3	December 8

Exciting Updates to Our Community's Monument Signs

In 2025, Ironwood Village will see the installation of brand-new monument signs at the entrance of each community Pod. This long-anticipated project reflects Ironwood Village's commitment to maintaining and enhancing the beauty of our neighborhood while keeping pace with its growth and history.

When Ironwood Village was initially constructed in the 1980s, there was only one vehicular entry point off Pima Road, providing a single eye line for drivers and guests entering the various Pod's within our community. However, significant changes came when the City of Scottsdale completed a roadway project that added a second vehicular entry roundabout off Legacy Road near Ironwood Park in 2013.

At that time, the community responded by introducing an additional stone entranceway sign for the Legacy Road entry. However, the monument signs for individual Pod's were not addressed as part of that project. Since then, the need for updated, visually cohesive Pod monument signs has become apparent, and the Association has worked diligently to plan for this improvement.

The new Pod signs will closely resemble the iconic stone entrance signs at both entry points to Ironwood Village, ensuring a unified and polished look throughout the community. Importantly, funding for this project has already been secured. It was accounted for through reserve studies conducted in 2013, 2016, and 2022. This proactive financial planning ensures that the project can move forward without requiring additional assessments or fees.

As outlined in our community's CC&Rs, Ironwood Village HOA is responsible for maintaining and upgrading shared community features like these monument signs. The installation of the new Pod signs is just one example of how we strive to make meaningful capital improvements that enhance our neighborhood for current and future residents.

We're excited for you to see these beautiful new additions to our community in the coming months. Stay tuned for updates as the project progresses!

-Carl Knapp



Community Meeting & Event Calendar – 2025

Stay informed and involved with our upcoming meetings and events!
Mark your calendars for these important dates:

February 19 – Board Meeting 🕒 6:30 PM

📍 AZCMS Offices or via Zoom

February 23 – Wine Tasting at Pinard's Wine Bar 🕒 3:30-5:30PM

📍 Pinard's Wine Bar

March 10 – Annual Meeting 🕒 6:30 PM

📍 Highlands Church

Date Coming Soon – Spring Social and Movie in the Park

📍 Ironwood Village Park

April 16 – Workshop Meeting 🕒 6:30 PM

📍 AZCMS Offices or via Zoom

April 18 & 19 – Community Yard Sale 🕒 All Day

📍 Throughout the community

May 21 – Workshop Meeting 🕒 6:30 PM

📍 AZCMS Offices or via Zoom

June 18 – Board Meeting 🕒 6:30 PM

📍 AZCMS Offices or via Zoom

July/August – Summer Break

No meetings scheduled. Enjoy the summer!

September 17 – Board Meeting 🕒 6:30 PM

📍 AZCMS Offices or via Zoom

October 15 – Workshop Meeting 🕒 6:30 PM

📍 AZCMS Offices or via Zoom

October 17 & 18 – Community Yard Sale 🕒 All Day

📍 Throughout the community

October 26 – Halloween Trunk or Treat 🕒 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

📍 Ironwood Village Park

Date Coming Soon – Fall Social and Movie in the Park

📍 Ironwood Village Park

November 19 – Board Meeting 🕒 6:30 PM

📍 AZCMS Offices or via Zoom

December 14 – Firewise Event 🕒 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

📍 Ironwood Village Park

🎅 Special guests: Santa, the Grinch, and festive elves!

We're excited for these events and hope to see you there. Whether it's meetings, celebrations, or festive fun, your participation brings our community together!

Architectural Committee Update: Enhancing Our Community Together

We’ve heard from many homeowners expressing interest in adding more desert-native plants to our approved selection guide, and we’re excited to share that we’re making progress on this initiative. The Architectural Committee has partnered with local nurseries to gather expert input on sustainable, visually appealing, and low-maintenance plant options. This collaboration ensures that the plants we recommend will thrive in our unique desert environment while enhancing the natural beauty of our community.

Another topic that has been top of mind for homeowners is our current approved house paint colors and the process for obtaining painting approvals. We understand that keeping our community looking fresh and cohesive is important, and we’ve begun reaching out to other HOAs to learn about their best practices. Based on their feedback, we’re now interviewing firms that specialize in paint color consultations, including Dunn-Edwards, to explore ways to modernize and expand our color palette while maintaining the architectural integrity of Ironwood Village.

We’re committed to improving not only the options available but also the approval process itself, making it simpler and more user-friendly for homeowners. These updates are important steps toward aligning with the evolving needs and preferences of our community.

Stay tuned for further updates! We plan to share the details of these exciting changes in the next HOA newsletter. Thank you for your input and continued involvement—it’s what makes Ironwood Village such a vibrant place to live.

If you would like to contribute an article of importance, send in photos or have something fun to share, please email Lindsay at:
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