

Stonegate Email News of 4-03-07 – Safety Special Edition

Pool safety.

- In a community with so many pools, swim lessons are a necessity. That's why Stonegate offers a lesson program and a swim team. For more information, pick up the Little Fins Swim School brochure in the Community Center, or see their website: www.kickskids.com. Lessons are also available through City of Scottsdale Parks and Recreation.
- The water in your back yard pool (and your neighbor's) must be clean, clear and chlorinated, never green. A green pool or water feature is a health hazard and the Community Association will take action, as will Maricopa County Vector Control and Scottsdale Code Enforcement. Mosquitoes have already started to hatch, so now is the time to make your move. And while you're at it, look around the property for things which could catch and hold water after a rain.

Dog safety.

- When you keep your dog on the leash, you keep him safe. He won't go running after a rabbit. Or your neighbor's dog.
- When you keep your dog indoors, you keep him safe from predators. Stonegate borders the largely undeveloped Pima reservation. If this year is as dry as the experts predict, we could be seeing more of our wild visitors.

Street Safety.

- We've had complaints about speeders on Stonegate Circle and Palomino East through Windcrest, heading for Mountain View. *The speed limit in Stonegate is 25 miles per hour and there is never a reason to exceed that.* Speeding endangers children, dog walkers and joggers, bike riders and other drivers, too. There is a way to force the lead-foots to back off: speed bumps. Of course most people hate speed bumps. But signage, speed bumps and temporary speed bumps have been discussed as a way to control speeding. So, next time you get behind the wheel, show your support for no additional speed bumps by raising the toes of your right foot just a little; be a good neighbor and go light on the accelerator when you drive around Stonegate.
- On-street parking is also a safety issue. Sure, it's cosmetic, too. But your car is much safer when it's in your garage or driveway. The CC&Rs require it. And you may even have a better relationship with your neighbor. After all, if your car isn't on the street, the neighbors across the street won't back out of their driveway into your fender.



Chlorine bomb update. Thanks to those who expressed concern when we reported that the gatehouse had been attacked with chlorine bombs. The Executive Director has been working with Scottsdale police and leads have been developed.