



Sherwood Forest Estates Newsletter

Spring 2025

<http://sherwoodforeststatesaz.com>

From the SFE Board

Winter has come and gone in Sherwood Forest Estates. So what happened?! Some lots were sold to new owners and soon we will welcome them. Some cabins were built or are being built. Some of our wonderful neighbors and friends have had to make the difficult and sad decision to sell their place. We will miss them a lot!! Some of our friends and neighbors were gone all winter at their homes in the valley or on the river, or in another state. They will soon be back and we can greet them.

We got some snow – but not enough! Warmer temperatures than normal. Many of you are not sure what that will mean to us. It means unless we get some good spring and summer rain forest fires are a big risk. Added to that with the reduction in the forest staff we will have less people to fight the fires.

Living in the forest of northern Arizona destructive wildland fires are always a risk, and on our minds. We all play a part in wildland fire preparedness. We all have a part to play in our neighborhood and out in the forest. The very important first step is to ensure that you have made your home and yard as fire resistant as possible. Here are some suggestions: rake and remove all pine needles and other debris in your yard; remove all pine needles and other debris on your roof and gutters; cut back branches that are too close or that hang over your roof and gutters; cut back branches that hang over your roof; move firewood away from your house; replace or add screens on your outdoor vents with screens with small mesh to prevent embers from getting through. Matt McDowell, our Fire Chief, can do a wildfire assessment at your house if you reach out to him and schedule an appointment. His cell number is 928 220 5209. I also want to stress the importance of signing up for emergency notifications through Coconino Emergency Notifications at Coconino.az.gov/ready. If you have signed up before every year you need to verify that your information is current and correct.

If you have trees that are too close to your home, or other structures on your property here are some resources that cut trees. You may want to get estimates from them.

Matt McDowell – 928 220 5209

Greg goodbrotherstreeservice@gmail.com 928-288-2549

Larry Supertree8235@gmail.com 928-526-2287

JR Trees 928-814-2577

Annual SFE Meeting

July 5th, 2025

Our Annual SHERWOOD FOREST ESTATES PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION meeting will be held on Saturday, **July 5th, 2025** at the Sherwood Forest Estates Fire House. Refreshments and sign-in start at 8:30 am with the official meeting starting at 9:00 am.

2024-2025 SFEPOA Board

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SFE Fire Auxiliary

SFE Auxiliary, Rhonda Galle

Our SFEFD AUXILIARY has been busy planning some fun activities for this summer:

- Movie nights
- Ice cream social
- Chili cook-off
- Cake walk
- Bingo
- Rock painting
- Silent auction
- Bake sale
- Cookie exchange

And anything else we can come up with.

Our first Auxiliary meeting is May 16th, 9 am, at the firehouse. It is our planning meeting. We hope to see our community members of Sherwood Forest Estates and Mountain Rose Ranch. All welcome!!

As President, I'm looking forward to getting together with neighbors and friends to have a fun summer!! See all of you there,

Rhonda Galle,
President SFEFD AUXILIARY

SFE/MMR Neighborhood Watch

Neighborhood Watch is a program to help keep Sherwood Forest Estates and Mountain Rose Ranch Estates safe.

Please update your calendars with our revised meeting dates for this Spring and Summer. The first meeting for the Spring has been rescheduled for Sunday, June 8th at 5:30 pm, this meeting will be a potluck so bring a dish to share. The Summer meeting date has been revised for Sunday, August 24th at 5:30 pm. Topics for June 8th will be published on Nextdoor, Facebook and our website. Both meetings are held at the firehouse.

Hello neighbors, if you have not already met me, I am David Marrufo and I reside at 875 South Friar Tuck Trail and, have lived year round in the Sherwood Forest Estates since 2008. I am always available to any and all residences of our beautiful neighborhood.

If there are concerns or suggestions for improvement, please feel free to contact me either on my cell phone at (928) 224-9672 (text or voice) or by email at "david.marrufo@live.com".

2024-2025 Neighborhood Watch Block Captains

| LOCATION | COVERAGE | CAPTAIN | CONTACT |
|---------------------|----------|---------------------------------|----------------|
| Friar Tuck Trail | All | David Marrufo* | (928) 224-9672 |
| Long Bow Drive | East End | David Marrufo (Temp*) | (928) 224-9672 |
| Long Bow Drive | West End | Liz Oldham | (602) 509-0393 |
| Knighthood Lane | East End | Jeanna Roush | (928) 635-2723 |
| Knighthood Lane | West End | Kathy Krushinsky | (405) 919-4363 |
| Jolly Rogue Lane | East End | Rhonda Galle | (928) 635-1390 |
| Jolly Rogue Lane | West End | Mary Anderson | (928) 635-1390 |
| Robin Hood Road | East End | Brienne McDowell | (602) 677-1127 |
| Robin Hood Road | West End | OPEN (*Looking for a volunteer) | OPEN |
| Mountain Rose Ranch | North | Sue Hamilton | (928) 303-4584 |
| Mountain Rose Ranch | South | Kenny Hardcastle | (940) 600-3203 |

(*Coordinator of Neighborhood Watch Block Captains)

Neighborhood Watch Block Captains are needed for the East End of Long Bow Drive (Little John Road to Friar Tuck Trail) and the West End of Robin Hood Road (Minstrel Lane to Little John Road). Please contact David Marrufo at his number above if interested.

SFE/MMR Neighborhood Watch is on the SFE website at www.sherwoodforestatesaz.com where additional information is available. Click on More and then Neighborhood Watch.

Summer Events, SFE & MRR

Calendar 2025 (Event Dates Subject to Change)

May 3 Moonset Pit 8 - 2
May 14 Bingo Night 5:00 Fire Dept*Auxiliary
May 17 Moonset Pit 8-2
May 25 Pancake Breakfast 8:00 at the Fire House Auxiliary
May 31 Moonset Pit 8:00

June 7 Neighborhood Cleanup 9:00 meet at Fire Dept Lunch*
June 8 Neighborhood Watch Meeting and Firewise 5:30* Fire Dept
June 14 Moonset Pit 8-2
June 14 Blood Drive 9-1 Fire Dept parking lot SFEPOA
~~June 21~~ Fire House Flix 6:30 SFEPOA **rescheduled to June 28**
~~June 27~~ Rock Painting Fire House 5:30 – Donation/Fund Raising Auxiliary **(being rescheduled)**
June 28 Moonset Pit 8-2

July 5 8:30 SFEPOA Annual Meeting At the Fire House
July 12 Moonset Pit 8-2
July 16 Bingo Night* 5:00 Fire Dept Auxiliary
July 19 Ice Cream Social and Fire House Flix* 6:30 Fire Dept SFEPOA
July 26 Moonset Pit 8-2

August 9 Moonset Pit 8-2
August 16 Fire House Flix 6:30 Fire Dept* SFEPOA
August 23 Moonset Pit 8-2
August 23 Blood Drive 9-1 Fire Dept Parking lot SFEPOA
August 24 Neighborhood Watch Potluck and Firewise 5:30 Fire Dept
~~August 31~~ Pancake Breakfast Silent Auction 8:00 Auxiliary **rescheduled to Saturday, August 30**

September 6 Moonset Pit 8-2
September 13 Neighborhood Cleanup and Lunch 10:00 meet at fire dept.* Kathie Krushinsky
September 20 Buggy Wheel 8-2

October 25 Blood Drive 9-1 Fire Dept parking lot SFEPOA
October 25 Costume Contest 5:00 Fire Dept
October 25 Chili Cookoff 4:00 Fire Dept SFEPOA

*All items with this are subject to change or cancellation

Firewise Moonset Pit

MOONSET PIT – Spring 2025

We are able to open on May 3rd and remain open every other Saturday until September 20th. If we have **volunteer's**, I will try to open Buggy Wheel after our last Moonset Pit date. We would try for one Saturday in October and November.

Please remember to keep track of all of your clean-up hours. This information helps us to keep our **Firewise** Neighborhood status and possibly help to lower you homeowners' insurance.

As a special "Thank You", to our volunteer's, last year our SFE POA sponsored gift cards to Mustang River Grill. "Thank You" to all of our wonderful volunteer's.

Again, this year we are sharing Moonset Pit duties with Parks. This year SFE has volunteered to take May 3rd, the first open date this year.

As always on the SFE weekends **WE NEED VOLUNTEERS please**. If you would be interested in volunteering a 3-hr. shift this summer please contact, Kathie Krushinsky at 405-919-4363.

From the Fire House

Dear Neighbors,

I hope this letter finds you well and full of the vibrant energy that always makes our community so special. As your Fire Chief, I'm reaching out to remind everyone of the critical role we all play in fire prevention and community care. With the recent challenges of wildfires in our region, it is more important than ever that we work together to create safe, resilient neighborhoods through proper fire prevention practices and maintaining an effective defensible space around our homes.

Fire Prevention & Defensible Space

One of the most proactive steps you can take as a homeowner is to maintain what we call a "defensible space"—an area around your property that is deliberately cleared of flammable vegetation, accumulated debris, and other combustibles. This space not only acts as a barrier to slow the progression of any potential blaze but also provides our firefighters with a safer environment to operate should a fire occur. Simple actions like keeping the wildland grasses low, removing dead plants or long hanging branches, clearing a minimum 30-foot area of pine needles around your home, tree thinning, and keeping firewood stored outside away from your structure can make a tremendous difference in our collective safety. These small investments in defense today build a stronger shield for tomorrow, protecting families and savings alike.

Caring for Our Neighborhood

Beyond these tangible measures, the essence of community safety lies in how much we care for our neighborhood and each other. A well-cared-for neighborhood is one where neighbors look out for one another, share best practices in safety, and promptly report hazards before they develop into bigger threats. I encourage every resident to take a moment to check in on elderly neighbors, join local groups, and foster an environment where everyone feels responsible for keeping our streets safe and vibrant.

Summer at the Firehouse

With summer breezes rolling in, we're excited to open the doors of the firehouse for a series of community events designed not just to entertain but also to educate. We'll be hosting multiple events featuring interactive safety demonstrations, hands-on workshops about creating and maintaining defensible spaces, and plenty of family-friendly activities. Picture summer cookouts with delicious food, and games that blend fun with a splash of fire safety knowledge for both kids and adults. These events are a perfect opportunity for you to meet our team, learn more about our operations, and understand firsthand the importance of working together to prevent fires. We believe that community engagement is as vital to safety as any prevention techniques, and we can't wait to share our summer at the firehouse with you.

In closing, thank you for your continued commitment to making our neighborhood a safe, caring, and strong community. Your vigilance in fire prevention and attention to creating defensible space not only protect your home but also fortify our entire community. Let's make this summer one of connections, education, and fun—underpinned by a shared commitment to safety that ensures we all thrive.

A Call to Serve

Our fire district relies on the energy and dedication of our volunteers. By joining as a volunteer, you become an essential part of a proactive community team that prioritizes fire prevention, public education, and emergency preparedness. Your participation can mean the difference between a rapid response in a crisis and the slow spread of preventable disasters.

Volunteering Makes a Difference

Volunteers in our fire district take on critical roles, from assisting with community safety events and organizing educational programs to helping with administrative tasks and supporting training exercises. Not only do you support our capacity to provide life-saving services, but you also get the opportunity to learn new skills, forge lasting connections with community members, and sometimes even discover a passion for public service.

Empowering a Safer Future

Our community has long been a beacon of fellowship and resilience. By volunteering, you help with emergency medical calls and/or promote fire prevention strategies that protect our families, homes, and businesses. It's through your commitment that our public safety messages resonate louder and our summer events at the firehouse become more engaging and informative. This is a chance to invest in our future; a future where every home is safer because every neighbor is empowered to care for one another.

How to Get Involved

We offer various opportunities for volunteers for year-round and full time summer residence. Please contact the Fire Chief at 928-220-5207 or sherwoodfirechief@gmail.com to pick up your application today.

Care For Each Other

Chief McDowell, Sherwood Forest Estates Fire District

Fiber Internet Service from TelecomWest

TelecomWest has completed all of operational tasks. They are fully operational. New services are being installed around town. For us here in Sherwood Forest we are waiting for the permit to be approved from the Railroad to burrow under the tracks. We hope this will be soon.

TelecomWest asks that you please go to the website and reregister for service. You will get a text and email after registering. Please respond to all to complete the process. <https://telcomwest.com> Check Availability or Sign Up For Service Link.

Once the installation starts in our neighborhood, it's advised to get the service installed to your door at that time. After that it will cost more to come back for each installation. As conduit will be installed in the ground from the street to the service area at your house.

Thank you again for your support.

Judson Swearingen Jr. Member at Large

APS Pole Transfer

APS has started working on installing power poles on private property to remove the power drop wires from the trees. They indicated there are some 800 homes in the larger area that are affected. From that it sounds like its going to take awhile. The good news is they have started.

Sherwood Forest Estates Property Owners Association

SFEPOA 2025 Annual Membership Dues Form

Please PRINT, fill out and mail this form along with \$20 to:

SFEPOA, P.O. Box 211, Williams, AZ 86046-0211

Make checks payable to: SFEPOA

Please fill out the entire form. Providing all information allows us to properly update and maintain our database and is very much appreciated.

Date: _____

Name: _____

Lot Number(s) _____

SFE Address _____

Mailing Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (s) _____ or _____

Email Address _____

Additional Preferred Contact info: _____

If you are not already receiving your newsletter via email, would you like to?

Leave name and email info at SherwoodForestPOA@gmail.com

Please print, fill out and mail this form along with \$20.00 per lot

***Fire Alert – Evacuation Plan**

Living in a rural community you should always be in the “Ready” stage. The REVERSE 911 phone system operated by the County will update you with evacuation notifications. Be sure that you are registered with the READY- SET- GO Alert program so you will receive the most current communications. Additional instructions on evacuation plans are available at the firehouse and on our SFE website. When vacating the area please follow any directions given to you by official or assigned personnel.

Mail or Email - a choice you can make now!

If you are ready to go paperless, please send an email to SherwoodForestPOA@gmail.com or a message using our website’s guest book (found in the website’s *Contacts* section) and tell us “**Yes, email, please,**” and provide the following information:

- Your full name
- Lot number or full SFE address
- Your email address

We will send you an email notice whenever a key event or the latest Newsletter is posted on the SFEPOA website.

Remember, the web’s guestbook is the perfect place to share your thoughts and concerns with your POA board and the SFE community. Check it out!

<http://www.sherwoodforeststatesaz.com>

***Important Phone Numbers**

- Call 911 first with your emergency. This will reduce delays and get the proper resources responding.
- Emergency..... 911
- SFE Fire Dept..... 928 635-9837
- Chief, Matt McDowell .. 928 607-3005
- SFE Fire Board Chairman
Walter Krushinsky..... 405-650-4003
- SFE Auxiliary President
Rhonda Galle..... 928-635-1390
- SFEPOA President
Jeanna Roush 928-635-2723
- Coconino Sheriff 928 635-4487
- Forestry Service..... 928 635-5600
- Coconino Animal Management
..... 928 228-2717
- Coconino Community Service
(Building Inspection & Zoning)
..... 928 226-2700
(Building Inspection & Zoning)
..... 928 226-2700