



Announcing the Spring 2025 Schedule

The Spring 2025 Neighborhood College session is now open for [registration](#). These classes are offered at no charge.

HOA/CONDOMINIUM BOARD SERIES

Rentals, Animals & Disabilities - What You Need to Know

9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 14, Scottsdale Community Design Studio, 7506 E. Indian School Road.

This session is for community managers and board members of homeowners' associations and condominium communities. Everyone is invited to learn more about their rights and responsibilities regarding Federal, State and local Fair Housing Laws as they apply to rental units, support animals and persons with disabilities. Certificates of attendance will be given at the end of the class. Instructor: Cheri Horbacz, Southwest Fair Housing Council.

Policy Governance

6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 16, Scottsdale Community Design Studio, 7506 E. Indian School Road.

Tired of the three-hour board meeting? Do you desire a more streamlined method of operating the homeowner's association and conducting board business? Policy governance may be for you. This seminar will discuss the benefits of implementing this form of homeowner/condominium association operation and provide practical tips on how to implement it. Presenter: Shaw & Lines Law Firm.

How to work effectively with rental properties, STRs, ADUs and the CTA

1 to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 22, Mustang Library Auditorium, 10101 N. 90th St.

Learn about managing the evolving challenges facing community associations. The session will equip board members with strategies to effectively handle rental properties, short-term rentals (STRs), and Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs more commonly called casitas) in their community. Additionally, the class will clarify the Corporate Transparency Act (CTA) and its application to Arizona HOAs/condominium communities, ensuring attendees are well-prepared to navigate these complex issues in 2025! Presented by the Mulcahy Law Firm.

Understanding Financial Obligations, Budgeting and Fraud Prevention

1 to 3 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 30, Scottsdale Community Design Studio, 7506 E. Indian School Road.

As an HOA board member, understanding your financial, statutory, and budgeting obligations are crucial for your association's financial health and ensuring you comply with state requirements. This class will also cover HOA/Condominium fraud prevention including industry fraud trends/statistics, tips for avoiding fraud, and various indicators of fraud. Presented by Associated Asset Management.

Meetings and Elections for HOA/Condominium Communities

1 to 3 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 6, Scottsdale Community Design Studio, 7506 E. Indian School Road.

Do your meetings comply with state law? What about your annual meeting and elections? In this class, you'll learn the ins and outs of hosting HOA/Condo community meetings and the election process from beginning to end. Presented by CHDB Law.

HOA/Condominium Board Symposium

8:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 15, Scottsdale Community Design Studio, 7506 E. Indian School Road.

This event is designed for those new to serving on the board of the HOA or condominium community or needing a refresher. Attorneys cover three topics and lunch is provided at no charge.

- Enforcing Association documents
 - Tricks of the Trade
- Amending Your CC&Rs
- Lunch (provided)
- Board Member Roles and Responsibilities

Presenters: Mulcahy Law Firm, Shaw and Lines Law Firm and V-F Law Firm.

Fall 2024 Class Schedule (cont.)

GOOD NEIGHBOR SERIES

Top Ten Estate Planning Mistakes

9 to 11 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 5, Community Design Studio, 7506 E. Indian School Road.

Are you among the many Americans who have put your estate planning on the back burner? Did you know...

- Even if you have a will, your heirs could be stuck in a nightmare called Probate Court for one to three years. This may cost them up to six percent of the total sum of your assets, or more.
- All Living Trust plans are not created equal! Internet, do-it-yourself, and bargain-priced trusts almost always end up in court.
- Most Living Trusts can wrongly expose the inheritance to your children's ex-spouses and creditors after you die.

Presenter: Phelps LaClair Estate Planning.

THE STORIES OF SCOTTSDALE HISTORY SERIES

'Til Death Do Us Part

1 to 3 p.m. Monday, Feb. 24, Holland Community Center, 34250 N. 60th St.

Learn about two local romances gone wrong. In 1962, a couple was murdered just north of Scottsdale on county land, and the case wasn't solved for nine years. But did the police catch the real killer or was he framed? In the second case, a woman was spotted throwing part of her husband's body in a dumpster east of Scottsdale. We'll revisit the story of his death which gripped the Valley in the early 2000s. Presenter: Bruce Wall, city of Scottsdale.

For more information...

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Any questions?

Contact Citizen Service at college@ScottsdaleAZ.gov or call 480-312-7898.

Treasures of Scottsdale Part One: The Extraordinary Ellis Family

6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 5, Cattle Track Arts Compound, 6105 N. Cattle Track Road.

For more than 70 years, the Cattle Track Arts Compound has been a hub of creativity and innovation in Scottsdale, its influence reaching around the globe and back again, and yet the site has remained off the radar of most residents and visitors. The family behind this one-of-a-kind home for the arts traces their Scottsdale roots back to just a few years after the founding of the State of Arizona. Led by a Cattle Track Arts and Preservation volunteer, a tour of the galleries and workshops will begin promptly at 6 p.m. followed by a presentation at 6:30 p.m. Presenter: Bruce Wall, city of Scottsdale.

Nightmare in McCormick Ranch

1 to 3 p.m. Monday, March 10, Mustang Library Auditorium, 10101 N. 90th St.

Prepare for a deep dive into a homicide from the 1980s that divided friends and relatives. Could a Scottsdale man kill his wife while "sleepwalking" and then wake up and not be a further threat to society? Explore the consequences that received national attention. Presenter: Bruce Wall, city of Scottsdale.

Treasures of Scottsdale Part Two: Two Musical Stories

1 to 3 p.m. Wednesday, March 19, ASU Kerr Cultural Center, 6110 N. Scottsdale Road.

Scottsdale has a concert hall built in the 1950s and operated by a university but it is widely unknown today. Learn about the family behind the venue. In our second story, we'll talk about the singing cowboy on horseback in Old Town for over 20 years. And what was the finale of his act each week that left winter visitors with dropped jaws? Learn about our recently retired Singing Cowboy of Scottsdale. Presenter: Bruce Wall, city of Scottsdale.

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