



Village Voice

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Seeing red?

You should. The Board, after a month of deliberation, two pre-announcements in this newsletter, and a full description of the project given at the Feb. 17 meeting, finally got the curbs painted! In spite of a clear description of our needs to the contractor, some curbs were incorrectly marked as “fire lane”, some (if not all) were over-sprayed, and two fire hydrants were painted the wrong color. We have been assured that all will be corrected. The shortening of some red curbs gave us 7 additional parking spaces, which everyone surely agrees we can use. The emphasis of a no parking curb, especially at right hand turns, should make our streets a bit safer.

Flower power

Ever hear of the “Dance of the Flowers”. Well, we experienced it early this month! The front gate area was planted with flowers and that evening some of the flowers got up and left. It’s a case where the Neighborhood Watch did not see anything nor help explain the flowers’ flight. A second batch was planted and they have stayed put -- for now!

Still wading

The start of the spa/pool upgrades and repairs are approximately five weeks away. This “off and on” project was hindered by adequacy of bids. A firm date hinges now on how quickly the required permits are processed. You will be notified by snail mail, via Gold Coast, of the exact date. Completion is estimated to take a week.

Vacancy

At times it seems that to ask someone to volunteer is like asking that person to jump off a cliff. Our Village is not on a cliff and we do need volunteers – one position in particular -- needs to be filled pronto!!! Dan Fitzgerald, Board Secretary, reluctantly recently resigned and in so doing, left a big hole in Village management. We wish him the best. His major responsibility was landscape management, and therefore the Board would like those who have the time and the interest in keeping the Village looking good to come forward and offer to help. Surely there must be some member of our family that could rise to this opportunity to help the Village. Please step forward (but not on the grass). Contact Bill Fairbanks and get more details.

Parking RV rule

The comment period that you were asked to participate in relative to parking RV on our streets is now over. Thank you to all who took the time to write your thoughts down. There were only two objections. The rule will be taken up at the next Board Meeting when a final vote and disposition should take place.

Run off

When it rains, any waste in the streets has the potential to be carried off into storm drains. Storm drains, unlike wastewater from household sinks and toilets, do not flow to a wastewater plant for treatment. It flows directly into nearby creeks, channels and, ultimately, the ocean. Understanding this, we should pick up all landscape waste and grass clippings, collect leaves, and sweep sidewalks and driveways instead of washing them down. Maybe we should also try to minimize lawn water runoff and thus keep fertilizers and pesticides from reaching the storm drains, don'tcha think?

Waste collection

With a quick toll-free call – (800) 449-7587 – you can schedule a free pick up at your front door of any household hazardous waste such as paint, lawn chemicals, motor oil, solvents, batteries, television sets, computer monitors, stereos, etc. And you don't have to be home for the collection. How about that!

Trashing about

At the last several walk-arounds it was noted that some folks put their trash cans out in front of fire hydrants. Even though they are easy to move, the fire department has asked that the cans not be placed *where they have to be moved*, saving precious time when time may be of the essence. Enough said!

Board Meeting Date

The next meeting is scheduled for May 20 at 7:00pm at the home of Tim Carey, 611 N. Turnberry Dr. Please make a note of the date and don't rely on posted-at-the-gate reminder. Even though we will continue the posting, don't depend on it as we sometimes may goof (like the last Board Meeting). Sorry if you were planning to attend and missed the posting that went up the day of the meeting. Just proves we are just human!