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PGA WEST RESIDENTIAL ASSOCIATION, INC.

# The Res 1 Newsletter

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE







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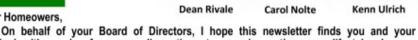


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family healthy and safe as we all continue to experience the many lifestyle changes associated with the COVID-19 pandemic. This summer has been unusually busy. The Board has met several times to discuss and implement the everchanging government regulations put into place to prevent the spread of the coronavirus. Our board meetings are now conducted via ZOOM.

We have discovered that many residents have spent the summer here, having canceled their normal vacations. Our Architectural Review Committee is reviewing an increased number of variance applications as more homeowners have been investing in home improvement projects.

I would like you to know that our Landscape Manager, Bill Bobbitt, will be retiring at the end of 2020. Many of you know Bill. He has served in this role for 31 years. His dedication, intimate knowledge of our property understanding of plants, lake maintenance, and of pest control will be greatly missed. A search is underway for a new Landscape Manager. As of this writing, we have interviewed ten candidates.

PGA WEST Residential Association is financially strong. Our reserve fund is conservatively invested and continues to grow. As of this date, our operating costs are tracking below budget.

In coordination with our management team, as we prepare for our 2021 budget, we solicited, reviewed and awarded next year's contracts for pool/spa plastering, pool and spa maintenance, foam roofing, roof maintenance, insurance, landscape maintenance and street sweeping.

Many exciting projects are underway throughout the Association.

- . We are in the process of rebuilding and modernizing our website.
- Kelly McGalliard, our Operations Manager, is ordering new address plagues for most residences.
- We have updated our exterior paint palette. You can see examples on Pinehurst, Oak Hill and Shoal Creek.
- Mike Walker, our General Manager, supervised the replacement of 25% of our streets with new asphalt. We will seal coat all of our streets in September.

The members of the Board appreciate your support. We wish you all the best. Please stay safe.

Sincerely, Jan Van Willigen President

### READ ON FOR ALL THE NEWS

Address Plagues Bighorn update Contracts Burglars **New Paint Schemes** 

Contacts **Garage Doors** Jacuzzis Laws

**Pool Closues** Pool Safety Street Closures STVR Update Vandalism

# POOL CLOSURES

### THESE POOLS WILL BE CLOSED FOR REPLASTERING

POOI 36AA —55-380 Riviera Closed Oct. 5 to Oct 27th

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POOL 10A—80-575 Oak Hill Closed Oct. 19th to Nov 8th

**POOL 8B**—56-301 Pebble Beach Closed Oct. 16th to Oct 27th

### SHORT TERM RENTAL UPDATE

The La Quinta Ad-Hoc STVR Commit-tee continues its work providing critical advice and recommendations to the City Council for evaluation of their Short-Term Vacation Rental Program (STVRP).

The Committee is addressing all aspects of the STVRP, including

- compliance and enforcement.
- rental policies and procedures.
- STVR historical information.
- outreach and marketing of the program.
- the STVR license process,
- potential program enhancements and new requirements.

At its August meeting, the Council adopted a 90-day moratorium on issuing of new STVR licenses. As well as taking written submissions.

Committee meetings occur:

### THE 1ST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH

AT 4pm

These meetings are open to the public (using Zoom during the pandemic).

The previous proceedings and other documents are available on the City of La Quinta website. Copy and paste this link to get to the website.

https://www.laquintaca.gov/ our-city/city-government/boards-andcommissions/short-term-vacation-

### MAINTAINING OUR HOMES STREETS AND POOLS



The 2021 Res 1 HOA budget cycle kicked off this summer with requests for proposals sent to several vendors for contracts expiring by Dec. 31 this year. Following receipt of multiple bids for each contract, the Board of Directors and HOA management met three times in July and August to scrutinize all bids received.

Each meeting took place in executive session as permitted by state law for contract negotiations.

The four largest contracts to be let.....landscaping, street repair, insurance and pool servicing included in-person interviews with company personnel to allow for deep dives into the nitty gritty of responses. (And in the continuing pandemic environment, each meeting was held in person but with social distancing and masks the order of the day.)

While state statute also restricts public disclosure of contract negotiation specifics, we can nonetheless provide an overview of what occurred. Following extensive analysis and discussion, the following contracts were then approved in the Association's regularly scheduled membership meeting on Aug. 10, 2020.

The eighth contract considered was for our Res 1 insurance policy. A final vote was deferred until a date closer to the insurance industry's rate-setting timeline.

Rammell Pool	Re-plaster 2 pools and one spa	\$31,400
Construction		
Roof Asset Management	Maintain and repair foam roofing in 15 units. Foam roofing repair is for homes with flat roofs.	\$48,040
Asphalt MD	Repair and seal Res 1 streets	\$314,387
Sunshine Landscape Management	Landscape maintenance	\$2,713,820
Valley Pools	Year-round maintenance of our 54 pools and spas	\$133,488
BRS Roofing	Roof Maintenance	\$60,930
Sunshine Landscape Management	Year-round street sweeping	\$16,800

### **VANDALISM AT POOL 16A**

Sadly, on Saturday night, August 22, 2020, pool 16A on Shoal Creek was the scene of vandalism. Nineteen tiles were ripped off the pool wall. The tiles broken up and tossed into the pool and into the street. Citrus fruit from the nearby trees was also tossed into the pool.

Once the damage was discovered, our maintenance crew went to work to drain the pool, clean up the mess at the bottom, replace the damaged tiles and refill the pool. The situation is being investigated. All homeowners should be alert to disturbances near their home and report problems to the

### COMMAND CENTER 760-564-5452.

PGA West has 24-hour guard service available when you see or hear illegal activity in your area.

# NEW ADDRESS PLAQUES FOR RES 1 HOMES

Have you ever had to stop in front of a house and squint to see the house numbers because it was too dark or the numbers were too small?

### WELL THOSE DAYS ARE OVER!

Your HOA board has voted in favor of replacing the old

address numbers with new bronze and gold address plaques.

**GREENS AND MEDALIST PLAQUES** 

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CHAMPIONS-CLASSICS-FAIRWAYS GALLERIES-HIGHLANDS-LEGENDS

INSTALLATION OF THE NEW PLAQUES IS SCHEDULED FOR THIS FALL

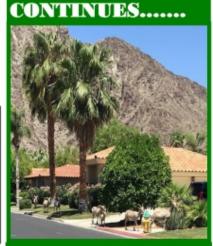
The condominium type residences listed above still have the original address numbers. Built more than a decade after the original homes, the 42 Montecito, 70 Tournament and 9 Laurel homes were constructed with attractive address plates, therefore those homes were not part of this project.

# ADDED POOL SAFETY

An addition to pool safety has been added to the pool steps this summer. Several pools have steps between the pool and spa areas. Adding a white edge to these steps makes them more visible. Thanks to Mike Walker, Fernando and his crew for these improvements!



# AND THE SHEEP SAGA



Notice how the sheep are social distancing!

Our last communication with the Coachella Valley Conservation Commission (CVCC) was in July and it was evident that little progress has been made toward the start of construction.

One large issue for us is the location of the 8 foot tall Bighorn
Sheep barrier that is still planned to be located on top of the levee that runs along the 14th fairway of the Arnold Palmer course. We have been meeting with CVCC for over one year

to have the fence located behind the levee such that it would not be seen by the homeowners and golfers. If the fence were constructed on top of the levee ruin the unobstructed would view between PGA West and the Santa Rosa Mountains.

This issue is not settled and we are ramping up our campaign with CVCC to take our interests more seriously.

# **CREATIVE COLOR PALETTES BRING NEW LIFE TO**

The painting committee has been actively seeking ideas to revitalize color schemes for our various PGA West neighborhoods. Taking advantage of the existing structural features, our homes have been given a fresh new look. As you may know, house painting is a yearlong adventure. Homes in Res 1 are completely repainted every 10 years. The trim is repainted every 5 years. You will see the painters at work all year long.

Some of the exciting paint changes may be viewed on Oak Hill, Shoal Creek and Pinehurst. On the Champion units, an extra color has been added to accent the structural detail. You will also notice an extra splash of color on the golf course side of these units.

The Greens units have been enhanced by accenting the window detail with contrasting colors. The Classics on Pinehurst also have a new look with eye-catching color choices.

When your home is scheduled for painting, you will receive a notice letting you know the plan for your unit. You will have the opportunity to discuss this with the HOA. In the meantime, drive around Res 1 to view the new look for some of our homes.

# **PGA WEST HOMES**



Golf course side of Champions unit



Greens units with window accents



Champion with third impact hue



# **CAUTION!**

You may have read a recent article in the local newspaper about a home burglary in La Quinta. Actually, it happened in our own Res 1 while the owners



were not in residence. The burglars entered through a pet door. When they were apprehended, they had already stolen a golf cart and an automobile...they were in the process of taking other household items. Fortunately, the cart and auto were recovered. It is believed the thieves scaled the perimeter wall on 54th Street before entering the house. Here are some things you can do to protect your home if you are going to be away:

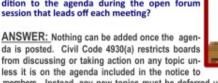
- Install an alarm system
- Check doors and windows (and pet doors) to be sure they are locked.
- Put some lights on timers
- Have a full-time neighbor watch your home.
- Don't label your house key in the event it gets lost.



Our walls and security gates deter a lot of illegal entry, but it is best to be pro-active and try to protect your home in the best way possible.

# THE LAWS WE LIVE BY

QUESTION: Boards are required to post an agenda four days in advance of a membership meeting. Can a new topic be proposed for addition to the agenda during the open forum session that leads off each meeting?





members. Instead, any new topics must be deferred until the next regularly scheduled board meeting. This provision is intended to protect all owners who may have opinions and information to express about the "new topic". When the next meeting takes place, they will see this item on the posted agenda and can join in the discussion if they wish.

An exception to this would be for something deemed an emergency..."circumstances that could not have been reasonably foreseen by the Board, that require immediate attention and possible action by the Board, and that, of necessity, make it impracticable to provide notice." If, for example, an extremely ferocious wind storm hits La Quinta an hour before a scheduled Board meeting and results in so many palm trees being blown down and blocking driveways that 255 Res 1 members cannot get cars out of their garages, then the Board could add an emergency agenda item to deal with this.

### NOT MUCH LONGER TO WAIT!

Your HOA has embarked upon a project to update the look and feel of our website. If you have looked at it recently, there is a lot of important information there....but it is a bit outdated. The new site will be friendly to all media devices and will incorporate significant additional functionality such as...

- A searchable library for some HOA governing documents
   Access to past newsletters
- · A portal for homeowners to access their personal records
- An updated work-order page

WE ESTIMATE THE SITE WILL BE ONLINE EARLY NET SPRING

# A-A-A-AH...RELIEF



### FOR THE ACHING MUSCLES!

After a strenuous work-out or an exhilarating game of tennis or golf, nothing feels better than a soak in the jacuzzi!

However, while you relax, be sure you heed this advice...

When you turn the knobs to activate the jets they will run for the time you have selected. You have noticed that the jacuzzi will turn off automatically.

### PLEASE DO NOT TURN THE TIMERS OFF MANUALLY

Let the timer continue to run...it will turn off by itself. Turning the knobs off manually sometimes breaks the mechanism...and nobody wants a broken knob. OUR JACUZZIS THANK YOU!



### **WELCOME TO OUR MANAGEMENT TEAM!**

We are pleased to introduce Marcus Rivera as our new Landscape Manager. Marcus is a native of the Coachella Valley, who has nine plus years of extensive Landscape Maintenance Supervision and experience. We are excited for Marcus to apply his knowledge to PGA WEST Residential Association. You may see Marcus out exploring the Association, familiarizing himself with the community. If so, please extend a warm welcome to him.

## WE ALL LOVE OUR DOGS.....HOWEVER.....

Our pets are among our best friends and we love them so much. Most of us have homes on the golf course and all that open space is very exciting for our furry friends. However, <u>dogs are to be leashed</u> on our streets or on the golf course side of our homes. Fines have been issued for unruly pet behavior.

Our HOA has recently received complaints about dogs running freely on the golf course and grass along the neighboring homes. They often disturb

homeowners and deposit their droppings on the grass near neighbor's patios. Unfortunately, many times these droppings are not picked up. Neighbors have mentioned that they do not appreciate other people's dogs romping on the golf course or running up to them on their patios where they are relaxing.

REMEMBER....YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR PETS.

PLEASE BE SURE THEY DO NOT INTRUDE ON THE QUIET ENJOYMENT OF YOUR NEIGHBORS!

# SEPTEMBER STREET CLOSURES

All the Res 1 streets are scheduled to be sealed beginning in mid-September. To facilitate your travel on these streets, please observe the following schedule.

To avoid problems such as your driveway being blocked, please move vehicles outside of the work area before work is scheduled.

Monday	9-14-20	Tanglewood
	3 14 20	Arnold Palmer from Tanglewood to Shoal Creek*
		Shoal Creek from POOL 21A northward to end
		Riviera Shoal Creek eastward to end
Tuesday	9-15-20	Riviera from Tanglewood southward to end
		Arnold Palmer from Tanglewood to Shoal Creek*
		Congressional and Pinehurst
		Oak Hill from POOL 4A northward to end
Wednesday	9-16-20	Shoal Creek from Arnold Palmer to POOL 21A
		Arnold Palmer from Tanglewood to Riviera*
		Inverness from Oak Tree to POOL 23B
Thursday	9-17-20	Canterbury
		Riviera from Tanglewood to Shoal Creek
		Firestone and Olympia Fields
		Arnold Palmer from Pinehurst to Riviera*
Friday	9-18-20	Oak Tree from POOL 7A southward to end
	5 20 20	Southern Hills from Inverness to Winged Foot
Monday	9-21-20	Oak Hill from Arnold Palmer to POOL 4A to Arnold Palmer**
	7.00	Inverness from Pete Dye to POOL 23B
		Southern Hills from Big Spring to Winged Foot
Tuesday	9-22-20	Oak Tree from POOL 7A to Inverness
		Cherry Hills
		Pebble Beach from Oakmont southward to Pete Dye
Wednesday	9-23-20	Oak Hill from Arnold Palmer southward to end
		Oakmont
	1	Big Spring
		Southern Hills from Big Spring southward to end
		Pebble Beach eastward from Inverness to Oakmont

\*Since Arnold Palmer is a main artery into homes on the Palmer side, only 1/2 of that street will be sealed at a time. This will provide easier access to homes.

\*\*On Monday, Sept 20th, people living on the north end of Oak Hill will have no access to the Palmer Gate. On that day, access will be available through the maintenance gate on Avenue 54.

THE STREETS TO
BE SEALED WILL BE
CLOSED FROM
7am TO 7pm

### HOW MUCH DO YOU LOVE OUR WILD CRITTERS?

It's sweltering out there and we want to ventilate our hot garages by leaving the door open just a little at the bottom!

BEWARE.....many creatures find pleasure among your treasures and may even find a comfy place to build their nest...perhaps in your CAR!

> If you notice small dark-rice-sized pellet along your wall YEP....You've got critters! Also look for gnaw or scratch marks on your moldings or doors. Most of these are nocturnal animals and are most active at

night. Leaving your garage door open (even a crack) is an invitation to "come on in!"



The Res 1 Newsletter is complied and edited to bring news that is relevant to our HOA. If there is something you would like to include that would interest all Homeowners please contact:

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