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RESIDENTIAL ASSOCIATION, INC.

The Res 1 News Blast

Dear Homeowners,

2020 is a year we may want to remember to forget. Yet somehow we have managed to meet our own challenges and realize we are all striving for a future without masks, lock-downs and viruses.

Every one of our lives has been touched by some form of change this year. May we all find a way to grow from our experiences.

RES ONE HOA BOARD MEMBERS

RES I BOARD MEETING DATES

All meetings will be held via ZOOM until further notice.

Tuesday, January 26th

Tuesday, March 2nd

Saturday, April 24th ANNUAL MEMBERS' MEETING AND **ELECTION RESULTS**

This year 3 positions are open for election. Three incumbent Board members will be running for reelection. (Schutz-Nolte-Ulrich)

If you would like to be considered for candidacy, please complete the Board of Directors' Nomination Application which was emailed on December 28, 2020 and is also available at the HOA Office. The completed application must be received by the Association office on or before

> Friday, January 29th, 2021 at 5:00 PM.



Jan Van Willigen



Gavin Schutz



Paula Turner



Wavne LeBlang



Carol Nolte



Kenn Ulrich



Dean Rivale

WE WILL MISS OUR FRIEND



Over thirty years ago, Bill Bobbitt was working for Sunshine Landscape company, overseeing the landscape maintenance contract work being done by Sunshine at PGA WEST. Paul Chasey, Board President at that time, and Marshall Johnson, Treasurer, approached Bill and asked him to become a full-time, on site employee for PGA WEST Residential Association. Bill accepted the offer and has served as Landscape Manager for the last 30 years.

During that time Bill developed an outstanding reputation. His extensive knowledge of plants, trees, irrigation, lake maintenance, pest control, personnel management and

dedication to the community contributed to his longevity and success.

Bill is bilingual, he is a certified arborist, has pest control and aquatics licenses and he possesses an unparalleled historical knowledge of the Association. As many residents have heard through the 'PGA Grapevine' Bill retired effective December 31, 2020.

All of the Association staff and management, the HOA Board and many, many homeowners will miss all that Bill brought to our community. We will miss his stories, his willingness to accommodate every homeowner and his extensive knowledge of plant care. Our best wishes to Bill as he embraces his life's next adventures. We hope his retirement will be full of many memorable experiences.....We will all miss Bill.



WELCOME MARCUS!

Filling Bill's shoes presented a monumental challenge for the Board and Management. We interviewed multiple candidates, some local and some from other regions of the country. We selected Marcus Rivera whom we found in our own backyard. We thank Sunshine, once again, for grooming a young man to serve as the Association's new Landscape Manager. Marcus was formerly employed by Sunshine, supervising landscape maintenance contracts at several HOA properties in the Coachella Valley, including Indian

Ridge, The Lakes and The Vintage Club. Marcus is bilingual, demonstrates very good communication skills. He is proficient in computerized irrigation systems and has knowledge of pesticides.

So far Marcus is handling his duties as Landscape Manager very well and we expect he will carry on the exceptional service in the Landscape, Irrigation, Pest Control and Lake Maintenance departments that our owners have become accustomed to. When you see Marcus out on the property, we hope you will extend a warm welcome to him.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21st



We come to the desert because of the beautiful sunny climate. We do not have snow or sleet or icy driveways in the winter. However, occasionally we do have something most people do not like.... namely THE WIND!

Of all the aspects of the desert, the wind is something we desert creatures have learned to live with. The problem with the wind, however, is you are never sure when or how strong, it will hit. It can come up in the middle of the night and we find ourselves running outdoors to save our cushions, umbrellas and our favorite patio plant potted in that very expensive ceramic container.

If you were here on Saturday night, November 21st, you were probably awakened by the howling wind peaking at over 65 miles per hour. You probably discovered it was not safe to run outside to save anything because of the extreme gusts.

The next morning was beautiful and sunny and until you looked outside you would not have realized the devastation that occurred. In Res I we lost over 35 trees, many plants had their flowers stripped completely off, leaving only the bare limbs. Giant piles of debris were scattered all over the streets and against walls and buildings. Tiles were blown off roofs, and one patio chair blew through a pool fence. Some patio furniture ended up on the golf course, in pools or in neighbors' yards. If you were out of town and returned the following week, you may have wondered why your plants looked so disheveled. The culprit? *THE WIND!* As you can imagine, our HOA staff worked for weeks to clear the debris and repair the damage.

Damaging winds are classified as those exceeding 50-60 MPH. Here are some things to do if high winds are predicted:

- Clear your patio of any plants in breakable containers. It may be helpful to turn a large potted plant on its side to keep it from blowing over.
- Remove your umbrellas, lay them on the ground or move them inside.
- Move cushions or light weight patio furniture into a safe place
- · Stay indoors and if you venture out beware of flying roof tiles, palm fronds or branches.
- Always be aware of tree branches leaning against your roof or weak branches that could break and cause damage. If you find a tree that needs attention, write a work order to the HOA.

Historically, the gustiest winds in the Coachella Valley occur between 2PM and 2AM. Winds are common in the fall and spring months and are usually most noticeable the closer you get to HWY I-10. A good place to find current local weather is TV Channel 3 (KESQ) in the early morning.

NEW ADDRESS PLAQUES ARE HERE!

The new address plaques have arrived and have been

installed.



The installation has been completed. We think these new plaques will not only enhance the look of the homes, but will make it easier to see the addresses from the street.



COORDINATION BETWEEN GOLF COURSE AND HOA'S

You have probably received the E-Blast regarding the agreement between the MASTER ASSOCIATION and the HJ/CG/Partners (owners of the PGA WEST Golf courses) authorizing the Master Association access to golf course property to ensure that property owners and their guests and tenants are abiding by the Combined Community Rules and Regulations (CCRRs). It also allows the golf course personnel to patrol golf course property; and when a violation of the CCRR's is observed, to issue citations for such conduct.

I am sure we have seen children playing on the greens and sliding down bunker walls.

We have noticed evening partiers expanding their fun onto the golf course areas. Hopefully, this new agreement will also curtail some of this behavior.

We are pleased to see the cooperation between the HOAs and the Golf Course Management. Working together will benefit all of us who live on the golf course making certain everyone complies with the local rules.



The golf course is private property and trespassing by adults or children is strictly prohibited.

SECURITY NUMBERS FOR VIOLATIONS ON THE GOLF COURSES

The following numbers may be used to report violations on the respective courses. You may call or text the location and violation along with a picture if necessary.

PRIVATE GOLF COURSE ISSUES (Palmer, Nick Private, Weiskopf)
760-238-2611
RESORT COURSE ISSUES: (Stadium, Nick tournament, Norman)
760-238-0731



In order to improve the health and appearance of our plants, your HOA is making some adjustments in our landscape trimming methods.

For many years we have used a "boxes and balls" method, whereby many bushes were cut perfectly round or perfectly square. This results in a very formal style, however it does not promote the natural growth of plants. Often as a plant gets older, there is a great deal of dead wood in the middle and a few mangled leaves on the outside. This method often does not allow the plant to flower naturally. You have seen bougainvillea and oleander flowers chopped off before they get a chance to bloom, and hedges that are very "woody" inside.

We are attempting to allow plants to grow more naturally, cutting off blooms only when they interfere with driveways, walk-ways or streets. We believe it will give our landscape a "softer" appearance. Our attempt will be to have a natural appearance, that still looks manicured and cared for.

Some of our plants have been here for 30 years. Between age, and damage from summer heat many are not looking well. We will attempt to bring some of these older plants back to better health, but that does not happen quickly. You may see some plants cut back severely. These plants will put out new growth and most will recover nicely. We will try to ease into this project so all the older plants are not all cut back at one time. Cutting plants back in the early Spring results in the best success for healthy regrowth.

These pictures and descriptions will give you an idea of what we are striving for. We welcome your comments and concerns and will gladly answer any questions you may have.





This lower picture shows a more natural trimming style

THE LAWS WE LIVE BY

QUESTION: What is the difference between an EXECUTIVE MEETING of the board and an EXECUTIVE SESSION?

....And can homeowners attend either one?

ANSWER: This is often a puzzling question for association members. According to *California Civil Code*, homeowners are not permitted to attend either one, but the similarity ends there.



An EXECUTIVE SESSION is a meeting of the full board where contract negotiations, member disciplinary hearings, personnel matters and legal issues are the only subjects that may be discussed. They must be noticed 4 days in advance with the agenda (two days if the session is not held in conjunction with a regular board meeting), and minutes are kept but not available to members.

An EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE meeting is when at least two board members are delegated the authority to act on behalf of the full board. Examples would include to set the compensation level of a manager or to resolve litigation in close consultation with our attorney. Meeting minutes are taken, but advanced notice to homeowners is required only if the committee contains a quorum of the board (which is rare). This is not an Open Meetings Act violation if the executive committee has less than a quorum of the board.

(For the RES I Board, a quorum would be 4 board members)







PGA WEST Res One Plant Guides Now Available

If you are thinking of adding plants to your landscape, be sure to consult with the HOA. Many plants look beautiful in the nursery but cannot survive year-round in our desert climate.

We have recently revised our **APPROVED PLANT GUIDE** which may help you decide on the plants suitable for your situation. Factors such as trees, pathways and sun exposure can affect the success or failure of many plants.

PLANTS FOR A LUSH DESERTSCAPE is the PGA WEST Residential Association approved plant guide which is available at the HOA office on Southern Hills. In this book you will find Trees, Palms, Vines, Grasses, Shrubs and Drought Tolerant Plants that have had proven success here at PGA WEST.

We have several **PLANT GUIDES** at the front desk. Feel free to look at them.







RES ONE... HOA RULES

The annual Budget Packet was sent to all Res One Homeowners this past November. At the end of the packet there was a lot of information about our HOA, including Trash Policy and schedules, Architectural guidelines, Sign Policy, leaving your home unoccupied, STR Policies and annual calendar for meetings, holidays, etc. Please look at these.

Whether you received this information by mail or electronically, you should have four colorful pages summarizing **Association rules** which affect PGA WEST Homeowners. The title of these pages is **WELCOME TO PGA WEST**. Most of these rules were taken from the Combined Community Rules and Regulations which affects all PGA WEST residents, but these sheets are specific to Res One homeowners.

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Please review these pages. Many of us do not know the exact rules about parking cars, speeding, pool behavior or even trash policies. Also, guests and visiting family members may not be aware of these rules. If you rent your home, it is very important for your tenants to know the rules they

It is suggested that you laminate these pages (back-to back) and have them available to your guests. Violations of these regulations could result in a citation and fine. **Nobody wants to deal with that!**

IF YOU DID NOT RECEIVE THESE PAGES, HAVE MISPLACED THEM, OR CANNOT COPY THEM FROM THE E-MAIL FORMAT, CONTACT THE HOA AND WE CAN PROVIDE YOU WITH AN ADDITIONAL COPY.

How to copy pages from the Budget packet or Newsletters:

If you wish to print pages from the Budget Packet:

- Open the 2021 BUDGET E-Blast many of you received by email.
- Scroll down to the pages you wish to print. Make note of the page numbers you want to print. The above REGULATION PAGES are 89-92.
- If you want all the pages in the budget packet, leave the "ALL" in the PAGES line
- If you do not want all the pages, place the cursor in the PAGES line, click on the downward arrow and chose CUSTOM. Enter the page numbers you wish to print.
- Click on PRINT (at the bottom of the window)

If you wish to print the NEWSLETTER:

must follow.

- Open OUTLOOK or whatever e-mail program you use. Open the NEWSLETTER you wish to print
- Click on <u>FILE in the upper left-hand corner</u> of your program. (Do not right click directly on the Newsletter....it won't give you the result you want.)
- From that FILE window CLICK PRINT
- The first page of the Newsletter should appear in your PRINT PREVIEW
- If you see a choice of TABLE STYLE or MEMO STYLE.... choose MEMO STYLE.
- · Press PRINT and the entire newsletter should print for you.

SPEED ALERT



When you speed at PGA WEST, you will not be stopped. Our guards are not police officers; however they are equipped with calibrated radar devices. Your license number will be taken and the home to which the car is registered will receive a citation in a few days. If your guest is speeding, his/her car registered to your residence will be noted and you will receive the citation. Therefore, it is a good idea to remember, that the speed limit on all Res I streets is 20 MPH...and be sure your guests (and vendors) are aware of this.

Records have been kept of speeding violations and here is an interesting statistic: Since <u>August of 2020</u>, Pete Dye is the Res I street with the dubious distinction of having the most violations...28...and it is such a short street!

Since August, Res I residents tallied 29 speeding violations on PGA Boulevard. (As you know the limit on the Boulevard is 35 MPH until you reach the Club, then it changes to 25 MPH going towards the Stadium Clubhouse.)

ALWAYS BE AWARE OF YOUR SPEED

The Res 1 Newsletter is compiled and edited to bring news that is relevant to our HOA.

Kenn Ulrich is now writing our new column LAWS WE LIVE BY

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