



PGA WEST
RESIDENTIAL ASSOCIATION, INC.

RES I NEWSLETTER

September 2021

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Jan Van Willigen

As we begin the Fall season, this newsletter updates you on a number of projects and activities that are taking place in our PGA WEST Residential Association. The members of your Board are full time residents which proved to be valuable when dealing with the COVID-19 outbreak. It was a busy summer with meetings and activities that you will read about in this newsletter.

Several Board members, who are chairs of the Architectural, Compliance, Landscaping, Website, Gates and Patrol and Communications committees have contributed articles of interest. I would like to recognize our Board members and appreciate the fact that they volunteer their time and talent. I encourage you to read their articles.

Your Board held meetings during the Summer, initially by Zoom only. Now meetings are open for in-person attendance and Zoom. Currently, our major focus is budget preparation for 2022. In coordination with our management team, we solicited, reviewed and approved next year's contracts for pool/spa plastering, pool and spa maintenance, foam roofing, roof maintenance, insurance, landscape maintenance and street sweeping. Our 2022 budget will be distributed in late November.

PGA WEST Residential Association remains financially strong. As of this date, our overall operating costs are tracking within budget. However, we are experiencing rate increases for natural gas and higher water usage due to the dry winter. Because of the pandemic, we are also experiencing significant cost increases in supplies. For example, our winter grass seed cost has gone up from \$1.10/pound to \$1.96/pound and we buy 36,000 pounds each year. Sprinkler replacement parts have increased 300%; electricity cost is up 16%. Minimum wage will increase by 7.1% to \$15.00 per hour on January 1, 2022. The cost of components that the Association reserves for, which include, but is not limited to roofs, paint, street repair and replacement, pool and spa equipment, lake and Association equipment have all increased in cost, which will impact our budget.

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

Sincerely,

Jan H. Van Willigen, President

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(Do not right click directly on the Newsletter....it won't give you the result you want.)
3. From that FILE window CLICK PRINT
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If you see a choice of TABLE STYLE or MEMO STYLE....choose MEMO STYLE.
4. Press PRINT and the entire newsletter should print for you.

The page breaks may be strange since all newsletter pages are not standard size.

MAINTENANCE IS FOREVER

IT HAS BEEN A BUSY SUMMER! Many of you know Fernando, our Maintenance Manager. He has been on the Res I staff for 12 years. He and his crew are the ones you see fixing things and keeping plumbing, gates, lights, and roofs working properly. He also supervises the in-house painting crew overseeing the painting of our homes. And...when stucco is crumbling, Fernando and his maintenance team will get it fixed!



FERNANDO MURILLO

He regularly inspects our 54 pools and spas, checking for faded depth markers, calcium build-up on water level tiles, leaky pipes and pool handrails that need to be resecured. Work orders are issued to Valley Pools for some of these items.

Eleven pools, (**1T, 2G, 3X, 4G, 10A, 11B, 16A, 21A, 29A, 36AB, 37A**) will have pool furniture powder coated and re-strapped this fall. Six pools and spas (**7G, 8A, 11A, 23B, 25B, 31A**) have already been acid washed and had the tile sandblasted to remove calcium build-up. Before the end of 2021, two pools and one spa will be drained, re-plastered and have pool tiles replaced.and when that work is completed, they will start all over, checking and repairing another set of pools and spas.

So...when you see Fernando....be sure to wave or say hello!

We are very lucky to have him on our RES ONE staff!



BIGHORN SHEEP UPDATE SEPTEMBER 18, 2021

Last May, an agreement was reached between PGA WEST Residential Associations I and II, PGA WEST Club, the Members Advisory Board of Governors and the Coachella Valley Conservation Commission (CVCC), on the location of the Bighorn Sheep fence. This is the culmination of more than two years of work to negotiate an acceptable fence location that would have minimal visual impact to our homeowners and golfers.

An easement agreement between the Club, and CVCC was finalized on September 17, 2021. Construction drawings will now be prepared. Fence installation is estimated to start in late Fall 2021 and will last approximately one and a half years.

Please note that the requirement for a Bighorn Sheep barricade is driven by the following:

- US Fish and Wildlife,
- California Department of Fish and Wildlife,
- The Bighorn Sheep Institute
- The Sierra Club.

Our role was limited to ensuring an acceptable location for the fence.

**FOUR NEW
STOP SIGNS
IN
RES ONE**

TANGLEWOOD

OLYMPIA FIELDS

RIVIERA



A professional study was done and to increase the safety of Res One residents, the Board voted to install four stop signs at two intersections:

- Tanglewood and Olympia Fields
- Tanglewood and Riviera

The new stop sign posts are in. The flags are gone, and lights are positioned.

**Please come to a complete stop
at all STOP signs!**

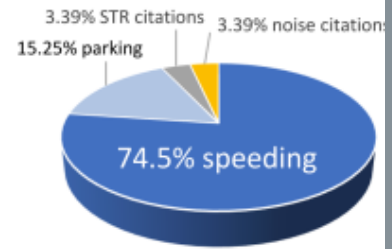


WHAT'S THE HURRY?

When 62% of the June citations and 74% of the July citations in Res I were issued for speeding, we have a speeding problem. We hope our Homeowners will help. We have long, narrow streets, some with curves and cars parked near homes. Listed below are some of the reasons why the RES I speed limit is 20 MPH.

If you are speeding, you will not be stopped because our guards are not police officers. You will receive a citation notice in the mail. All citations go through a review process before they are sent to the homeowner. Sometimes delivery is slow and you may not receive the notice for several days.

- Also, each homeowner is responsible for the vendors they allow onto the property. If the vendor does not have his own transponder, you, the homeowner, are liable for any speeding or parking violations that vendor may incur.
- You are also responsible for parking and speeding violations of any guest you allow onto the property. That includes tenants, or other guests you allow to use your home while you are not in residence.



July Citations=59 total citations

How do you know if a vendor has a transponder?

When you hire a person to come to your house (such as housekeepers, pool maintenance people, gardeners) you may ask them if they need permission to come through the gate. If they say yes, that means they probably do not have a transponder and you are responsible for them while they are inside the gates. Many companies who regularly service PGA West homes, have their own transponders. If these people have a violation, the citation goes directly to them.

Suggestion: If your vendor does not have a transponder, you may want to alert them that the speed limit in Res I is 20 MPH even though there is a speed limit sign as you enter Res I.

Why we need to slow down...

- **We have no sidewalks. Walkers, joggers, dog walkers use streets for exercise.**
- **Many Joggers use Ear-phones...they cannot hear cars approaching from behind**
- **Our streets are narrow, with many cars parked on both sides of the street....only one way traffic is possible**
- **The new electric cars emit very little engine noise...walkers may not hear them.**
- **Most cars must back out of their garages into the street. Cars parked near driveways can cause blind spots and oncoming traffic may be hard to see**
- **HOA gardeners often have debris piles in the streets**
- **Many visitors who drive our streets are not familiar with curves and blind spots**
- **Children and animals often dart from between parked cars into the street**
- **Vendors and wide delivery vehicles often park in streets**
- **Lots of bicycle riders use our streets....many in large groups.**
- **We do not have streetlights...our streets are dark at night making it difficult to see anyone walking along the street.**

To see a complete list of speeding and parking rules, please follow this link

which will take you to the new RES I website: [Vehicles, Means of Access 1.1](#)
[Operation of Vehicles 1.2](#)
[Parking of Vehicles 1.2](#)

You may have noticed monitors on our streets recording the speed of a passing vehicle. You may have wondered what happens to that information.

Below is a chart that summarizes some of last year's results. The monitor is usually in place for a few days in each position. This may give you a feel for some of the speeding issues. Keep in mind that the monitor records...

- automobiles,
- trucks,
- golf carts
- bicycles.

DATE of RECORDING	TOTAL VEHICLES RECORDED	VEHICLES TRAVELING OVER 25 mph	STREETS INVOLVED IN COUNT	HIGHEST SPEED RECORDED
January-February 2021	4144	372 9.8% of the cars were traveling over 25 mph	Oak Hill – Northbound	39 MPH
			Inverness – Eastbound	41 MPH
			Shoal Creek – Northbound	44 MPH
			Pebble Beach – Northbound	48 MPH
			Tanglewood – Northbound	31 MPH
			Inverness – Northbound	46 MPH
			Firestone - Northbound	36 MPH
			Oak Tree - Northbound	37 MPH
August to November 2020	4929	807 16.37% of the cars were traveling over 25 mph		
			Southern Hills- Northbound	47 MPH
			Pebble Beach - Northbound	47 MPH
			Firestone - Northbound	48 MPH
			Oak Tree - Northbound	43 MPH
			Oak Hill - Northbound	36 MPH
			Southern Hills - Northbound	43 MPH
			Shoal Creek – Northbound	50 MPH
Olympia Fields - Westbound	49 MPH			

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Vehicles, Means of Access 1.1

Operation of Vehicles 1.2

Parking of Vehicles 1.2

<https://www.pgawest.org/wp-content/uploads/securepdfs/2021/05/Combined-Community-Rules-and-Regulations.pdf>



IMPROVING YOUR HOME



A REPORT FROM RES I ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE

Pride of ownership is evident within the Res I community. Homeowners are investing in many Architectural improvements to their properties. We are pleased to say that most of those improvements have been reviewed and approved by the Architectural Committee. Since Dean Rivale was appointed Chair of the Architectural committee in September 2020, the Committee has processed 135 Architectural improvement applications. The scope of projects is extensive.....*see some of the projects on the right.*

Our committee has expanded to seven members, which has been extremely helpful given the increased number of applications. We recognize homeowners are looking for a quick turnaround time, however please understand the review process is somewhat complex. The Architectural Committee meets monthly. Between meetings we perform the site visits, detail project specific conditions, and staff prepares correspondence and gather required information for each Architectural file.

We recommend that when you are contemplating an upgrade to your home or landscaping, you familiarize yourself with the Architectural Committee procedure. If you visit our website ([below](#)) you can review the guidelines, the application and view photos of other completed projects. When considering an architect or contractor, you may also want to have them become acquainted with the Associations' standards, guidelines and requirements.

This may save the homeowner money and save everyone time.

[Pgawest.org/architectural-landscaping/architectural-improvement-resources/](https://www.pgawest.org/architectural-landscaping/architectural-improvement-resources/)

Occasionally homeowners install first and get approval later. In most cases this occurs because the owner is not aware that **Architectural approval** is required for their change. Please note, pursuant to the Association's CC&R's, which state in pertinent part, "no interior structural change or exterior addition, landscaping or change may be commenced, constructed, erected, placed, altered, maintained or permitted to remain on the Project, until approved by the Architectural Review Committee."

Owner cooperation in seeking Architectural approval in advance is required and appreciated!

- Replacing garage doors
- Updating windows and sliders
- Installing awnings
- Fire and water features
- Pools and spas
- Solar tubes
- Patio extensions and resurfacing
- Installing new gates
- Paver installations
- Garage air conditioners
- Outdoor kitchens
- Painting custom homes

Please follow the link below for more information.

<https://www.pgawest.org/architectural-landscaping/architectural-improvement-resources/>

LAKE AND LANDSCAPE RENOVATION



In our March newsletter we reported the necessity of removing the muck from the lakes between Arnold Palmer and Olympia Fields that had built up due to foliage and debris falling into the lakes. That task has been accomplished as well as the repair of the intake valves that create the circulation of water in the lakes.

Another project the Landscape committee targeted this summer was the area behind POOL 3G on Firestone. The plants and trees that were overgrown and hanging into the lake were seriously cut back to help prevent so much debris from falling into the lake. The pictures here show the result, a park-like setting with newly trimmed plants that are already beginning to show new growth. We feel this will prolong the health of the lakes, our equipment, and the plants themselves.

THE LAWS WE LIVE BY

QUESTION: Can I put a sign on my lawn?
How large can it be?
What can I say on my sign?

ANSWER: Sometimes yes...Sometimes no.
YES may come with limitations.



The First Amendment to the Constitution states that "**Congress shall make no law....**"

It protects citizens from **governmental restrictions**, not private ones.

Thus, businesses, common interest developments (**such as Res 1**) and owners of private property can restrict the activities of employees and people who live on their properties.

Real Estate Signs. These are among the most common in HOAs. Signs advertising property for sale or lease are classified as commercial speech and are permitted under California's Davis-Stirling Act. Even then, their size, placement and what they're made of can be regulated by an HOA.

Political Signs. Associations can ban political signs in *common* areas, but they are permitted in courtyards or in a planting bed close to the home (not next to a curb, and only one sign per home.) Here again, please review our governing documents and Davis-Stirling.com for a complete look at political sign regulations.

Fighting Words and Offensive Language. “Fighting” words are those that incite hatred and place someone in danger of harm. They are prohibited on signs. So is any form of obscenity. Although the U.S. Constitution assures freedom of expression, this protection does not extend to Fighting Words or Obscenities, and the Supreme Court has established clear guidelines in determining what falls into those categories.

Non-Commercial Signs and Banners. Such expressions are permitted (subject to rules regarding size, placement, construction materials, etc.). So *Happy Hallowe’en, Go Dodgers, Happy Chanukah, Merry Christmas* and *Have A Nice Day* are all permitted.

For a deeper dive into the subject of signs, open **Davis-Stirling.com** on your computer and type ***Signs and Flags*** into the Search field.

PLEASE NOTE. The Association respectfully asks that anyone with a “Vote NO on CC&R Amendment” sign to please remove it, as there is no CC&R vote or any other vote currently underway in Res 1. Some residents find such signs confusing; they think their ballot is lost in the mail. In reality, there is no ballot. Thank you.

Please follow the links below for more information:

[Sign Policy](#)

[CC&R's](#)

[Combined Community Rules and Regulations](#)

BURRTEC RULES



Re-defined

We all know Burretec picks up our garbage on Mondays.
But how are the holidays handled?

On July 4th, there was some confusion. July 4th was on a Sunday, which means the Federal holiday was on Monday, July 5th. One would assume that our trash would be collected on Tuesday, July 6th....NOT SO.... Our HOA sent out an email on Friday, July 2nd, informing homeowners that the normal MONDAY pickup was in effect.

I made a call to Burretec to find out exactly what their rules were about holidays that fall on a Sunday. I was told that since Burretec is not a Federal agency, they did not recognize the Federal holiday (Monday, July 5th) and therefore trash was collected on Monday of that week.

So, the BURRTEC policy is this...When the actual holiday falls on a Monday, trash will be picked up on Tuesday. When the actual holiday falls on Sunday, the normal Monday pick-up is in effect.

BURRTEC RECOGNIZES ONLY THESE HOLIDAYS

MEMORIAL DAY: Always falls on Monday, so Tuesday is pick-up day

Fourth of July: next year...2022: Falls on Monday.....pick up on Tuesday.

LABOR DAY: Always falls on Monday....Pickup on Tuesday

CHRISTMAS DAY 2021: Falls on Saturday.....Pick-up on Monday

NEW YEAR'S DAY January 1, 2022: Falls on Saturday.....pickup on Monday

QUICK SUMMARY:

For PGA West: When the actual holiday falls on Monday.....Tuesday pickup in effect.

When the actual holiday falls on Saturday or Sunday.....Regular Monday pickup

HOPE THIS HELPS!

Carol

P.S. If you do not have your **street address label** on your Burretec cans, please call the office and the HOA will take care of that....760-771-1234



WE HAVE ALL BEEN THERE

It has happened to us all! A line of cars waiting to get through our Palmer and Stadium entry gates... sometimes backed up far enough to partially block a lane of traffic on PGA WEST BLVD.

A big reason this happens is the high volume of homeowner phone calls to the gates. Each call diverts guard staff from their main responsibility of controlling who gets into our property...which keeps us and our homes safe.

The volume of calls to our two manned gates is staggering.....

- Calls to report broken sprinklers on the golf courses (call the Pro Shop instead)
PALMER: 760-564-5452
STADIUM: 760-564-3159
- Calls to report sprinkler problem on home or HOA property (call HOA instead)
- Calls to report a skunk (or other wild critter) in the courtyard
(Call the HOA instead...760-771-1234)
- Calls to report fallen tree limbs around your home (Call the HOA instead)
- The Palmer gate (command center) received **57,395** calls in 2020.
(That averages 157 calls per day)
- The Stadium gate has received **6,925** calls to date this year. (2021)

We all can help reduce this burden by **not** calling the gates to register family, friends and visitors for gate access and instead using the convenience of **dwellingLIVE**. Having to take information over the phone and input it in the system takes time that guards often don't have. It also introduces the potential for errors that can be avoided by doing this yourself.

dwellingLIVE is an easy-to-use web-based security app created specifically for gated communities like RES I. To use this service you will need to do the following:

- LOG IN to pgawestgate.com with your email address and a password, which you can create if you haven't used this site before.
- This will take you to a page where you are able allow your guests to enter.
- You may also add family members or frequent guests to your permanent entry list.
- You may enter the names of vendors you wish to admit on a regular or temporary basis.

So, whether you are expecting delivery of a new washing machine, remodeling a bathroom, or having grandchildren visit, you will assure their problem-free passage through our entry gates

**....AND BY DOING THIS YOU WILL FREE UP OUR GUARDS AT THE GATE
TO MONITOR OUR ENTRY TRAFFIC!**

RENTAL RULES AT PGA West

To avoid confusion and possible citations, Homeowners who rent their homes at PGA West should be familiar with the COMBINED COMMUNITY RULES AND REGULATIONS. To see a complete copy of the CC&RRs please go to RES ONE's updated website for the complete document.

<https://www.pgawest.org/wp-content/uploads/securepdfs/2021/05/Combined-Community-Rules-and-Regulations.pdf>

Whether you rent your property for long term (more than 28 days) or Short Term (less than 28 days) you must register your property with the Master Assn.

If your property is to be rented SHORT TERM, you must provide proof that you have:

- a valid CITY OF LA QUINTA SHORT-TERM RENTAL PERMIT
- a CITY OF LA QUINTA BUSINESS LICENSE.

At the last Compliance Committee meetings, several homeowners were cited for noncompliance with the CC&RRs regarding renting short term without having the proper La Quinta documentation according to the registration requirements of the Master Assn.

Please follow the link below for more information:

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SPEED BUMPS FOR GOLF CARTS?



The Private Clubhouse at PGA WEST has placed SPEED BUMPS on both ends of the Norman and Legends tunnels which allow golf carts to travel beneath Madison Avenue. There is a SPEED BUMP at each end of the two tunnels. These BUMPS do not affect automobiles.

These BUMPS affect golf carts only and have been installed to slow down the traffic and reduce the chance of accidents. Both tunnels connect Winged Foot with streets on the east side of Madison Avenue.

- The **NORMAN TUNNEL** connects Winged Foot with Kingston Heath on the Norman Course
- The **LEGENDS TUNNEL** connects Winged Foot with Muirfield Village on the Nicklaus Tournament Course and Legends Way and Troon Way on the Weiskopf Course.



APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE ALERTS DRIVERS OF THE UPCOMING SPEED BUMPS

PETE DYE DRIVE.....

Some changes are in our future!



Res 1 Homeowners using Pete Dye Drive have probably noticed some changes. The Golf Club has added new landscaping to both sides of the Drive. As the plants grow, they will add beauty and color. We are happy to see the Club making these improvements.

BREAKING NEWS! Your roving reporter has spoken to Ryan Hamilton, who is part of management for the Master Association. He has indicated that they are designing a renovation of the median on Pete Dye Drive. This is in its final planning stages and hopefully will soon be underway. We are looking forward to the new enhancements

Say....maybe these new additions will help slow down those who exceed 20 mph on Pete Dye Drive, which has a high number of speeding citations. Drivers might want to slow down and enjoy the new landscaping.

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