

Fairmont Hill Happenings

November 2021 Newsletter

HAPPY HOLIDAYS !

We hope you are staying healthy, safe and happy in these stressful times.



HOLIDAY SAFETY

You get this information at least every year but it bears repeating as according to the Fire Authority, November is the highest month of the year for home fires, Thanksgiving in particular followed by Christmas and Christmas Eve . Both the Fire Authority and Yorba Linda Sheriff Department were contacted by us for updates of the information we shared with you all some years ago on Holiday safety and these have been posted in the bulletin boards at both pools and on the web page. As in the past both the Sheriffs and O.C. Patrol will put your home on a vacation watch list if you notify them. Keeping your doors locked even when home, bringing packages in promptly after delivery, not keeping anything visible in your locked car, are a few on the list from the Sheriffs.

The Fire Authority has put together several pages of safety information some of which we have posted for you. For more pages you can go to their web page

www.ocfa.org/SafetyPrograms/FireSafety.aspx

For fire safety they have suggestions for candles, lighting and decorations, Christmas trees. Holiday cooking safety and what to do if there is a fire to name a few. We would add keeping your dryer vent and exhaust fans clean from flammable lint shouldn't be overlooked.

HOLIDAY LIGHTING RULES

You all just received the Holiday lighting rules. To recap, No new nails can be put into the wood or stucco. If you have old existing ones before our last paint project they have probably been sealed and can be left in. Plastic clips are the method described to put up lights and not damage the wood with future problems when the nails loosen and water intrusion creates dry rot. Termites can get in a nail hole in the wood the size of 1/64 inch. Holiday lights go up the day after Thanksgiving and need to be taken down by the 15th of January.

CHRISTMAS TREE BINS

This will be repeated in the December newsletter but needs repeating. We will again be renting 2 large dumpsters beginning December 26th for one week and followed by another dumpster for a second week ending January 9. These dumpsters are only for Christmas trees, not bulky items or tree stands or they will not take away the dumpsters without a large extra charge. They will be in the usual place on Coachwood. Nothing over 4 feet can be put in the regular dumpster bins by your buildings

UPDATES

Our garage door numbering is completed all but a few mistakes from early on which will be corrected soon. The majority of condo Associations have this system and most use the entire address instead of just the last two numbers as we have done. It's the norm, not an exception. Even single family home HOA's are using this system.

ZOOM MEETINGS will continue into the foreseeable future and are very popular with HOA's throughout Southern California at minimum reports tell us. If you have trouble getting on Zoom, Stonecastle can help you. There is access with cell phone or computer. More people attend with Zoom than we have had with in person meetings for years.

DUES/ASSESSMENT INCREASE REMINDER. January 1, assessments will go up \$12 from \$348 to \$360. Please contact your automatic payment service or bank so as not to get a late fee after the 15th. With inflation at 6.2% now most everything is going up just to survive. California is now the highest state in the Union for gasoline prices and all businesses are feeling it in one way or another.

COMMITTEES INFO The Board is in the process of creating charters for existing committees that explain the Purpose, Goals, responsibilities, number of members and reporting responsibilities. Anyone wanting to participate in a committee needs to send a request to the Board via Stonecastle. Committees are a support and assistance to the Board and not antagonists to be of value to the community.

HOMEOWNER UPDATES FORM DUE JANUARY 1

The law requires us to maintain a homeowner information sheet with the names and how to contact all who live in your condo, owners and tenants. This is for safety reasons like fire and earthquake the legislature requires it. The form is in your recent packet from Stonecastle every year. If you have a renter then a new form is required when there is a new tenant.

Also note that there is an opt out form in your packet for your convenience to opt out of anyone in the association getting any of your information including and especially your email address thereby avoiding being spammed or someone using it for personal and business purposes.

PROJECTS BEGINNING Our annual tree trimming will be starting soon as will the gutter clean outs and termite inspections. Any phase 2 deck repair or replacement will begin next year. Homeowners are still responsible for the maintenance of the deck surface but in the case of a full replacement it is included for one time only. The new grass seed has been planted in time for the Holidays.

THANKSGIVING MESSAGE

At this time of year we should all be giving thanks for the great country we live in and the freedoms we enjoy, never forgetting those who sacrificed so that we have these rights. If we all try a little harder to be thoughtful, good neighbors and friends what a wonderful holiday season it will be and let's carry it over through the next year. Kindness is contagious. Happy Thanksgiving, Christmas, Hanukkah and all the other holidays I don't know about.

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Emergency Numbers

Emergency Services – 911

Y.L. Police Non-emergency Dispatch 714 647-7000

Y.L. Sheriff Sub Station office

714 779-7098

O.C. Patrol 800 525-1626

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Next Board Meeting 6:30 p.m. Monday December 8 , 2021 Newsletter and alerts email sign up for owners and tenants: fairmontcable@aol.com Web page www.myhoa.com/fairmonthill