

Fairmont Hill Happenings **February 2016**



We hope you all had a nice Valentine's Day. The crazy weather has been very hard on our landscape with record breaking heat then cold then heat again. The Water Board has been even harder on us. There are efforts now to get new Water Board members on the Board come the November Election that will work for the benefit of all us Yorba Lindans. I'll keep you posted. I know some of you have had your water bills double in spite of your conservation. There is a pot luck dinner meeting for all Yorba Lindans wanting a change in the Water District Board and City Council February 23. Contact fairmontcable@aol if interested. If you aren't getting newsletter via email it will be too late when you get this.

ANNUAL MEETING OF HOMEOWNERS AND ELECTIONS

The final date for candidate statements for anyone wanting to run for the Board is February 24th. We encourage all of you to fill in your ballots to vote and return them to Stonecastle or bring them to the meeting 6:30pm April 4. Homeowner Wendy Cochran has agreed to be our election's inspector. Thank you Wendy and thanks to Linda Nelson who did this for years.

For any election to be valid we need 50% plus 1 which we haven't achieved since 2004. Before that it was 15 years. Maybe this year? The five existing Board members have all agreed to continue serving the community if elected. If there is no quorum, the Board remains the same until next year.

DEADLINE FOR REPLACING OLD WOODEN GARAGE DOORS APRIL 1, 2016

It's fast approaching. I'm repeating the November newsletter article here. Please be aware that the prices that have been in effect for several years With Door Depot are going up April 1, 2016 as well. They have held off passing on the increase but will raise \$30 each then. Vents if needed will be \$35 each. End unit single garages don't require vents. If you make an order by March 31 you will get the current price. Just let Stonecastle know you are awaiting installation so you won't get a hearing notice and a fine of \$50 a month or more. Door Depot phone is 714 238-9272. They are cheaper than Costco but you can buy Amarr from any vendor you choose.

GARAGE DOOR REPLACEMENT (Repeated article from November)

April 1, 2016 is the deadline for replacement of wooden garage doors. The door must be Amarr long panel but there are three types. Names have changed. Door Depot gives us a discount. R & R used to but as a family business. They sold to a national company. Single H1000 Heritage Amarr garage door at Door Depot is \$495. The double door is \$695. No change. The insulated Amarr H2000 single is \$575 and the double is \$830. The third type is steel-back insulated S3000. The single door is \$725. The double is \$925. (vents if required by code are \$25 each. End units have vents in the wall so no more is needed)

NO SKATEBOARDING ALLOWED ANYWHERE AT FAIRMONT HILL

Just as with City parks and businesses, we have rules that prohibit skateboarding. It seems that some people have forgotten that recently or are tenants or new owners who haven't read the rules. The purpose of the rule is to prevent accidents to the skateboarder and their victims which increases our liability and insurance rates and to protect the property from costly repairs. We aren't trying to be mean. It's a mandate in our documents that we must enforce. Violators will be called to a hearing and fined. Kids were skateboarding the 15th on Apple Creek and have been seen there other times, once with an adult so they must live somewhere between New Gate and Olive Branch.. Please report. Our Insurance can cancel us again.

PARKING IN FRONT OF GARAGES PROBLEM INCREASES

There has also been an increase in the violation of parking in front of garages. This has never been allowed and after the citation is placed on the vehicle it can be immediately towed. The streets in front of the garages are considered Fire Lanes.

The Board does not refund towing or storage fees. It is money that belongs to all owners in the Association. Rules are given to Patrol to enforce and they order the towing based on the rules and the law. If they make a mistake somehow, it is on them. A quick 5 minute unloading of kids or groceries won't get you towed but forgetting about the vehicle will.

WE NEED YOUR HELP ! STILL

Thank you to those of you who have volunteered to help get the vote we need when we are ready to vote on the new CC&R's. We could use more of you to volunteer as well to get votes on your street or more. The holdup is at the lawyer's office right now. Our old CC&R's require 75% of the owners to approve new CC&R's or amendments to the existing ones. It's a big undertaking which will take everyone's help in achieving. If you would like to help with collecting votes please notify StoneKastle or you can email fairmontcable@aol.com or both.

WINDOW and PATIO DOOR CARE

Most people don't realize that even in the winter you should open your windows occasionally as humidity builds up in your home which can cause mold growth. Another maintenance issue is to keep your window track, or weep screed holes clean. If not cleaned out water settles on the "stuff" in the tracks and can't get out the little holes to drain. The result is mold on interior dry wall and stucco damage outside. Third is maintaining your sliding glass door caulking on the top outside. The caulking gets loose and allows water intrusion behind the stucco causing damage to the exterior. That is why we are so particular with window and sliding doors allowed and limit those with only flat fins or trim on our pre-approved list.

RECORDING OF BOARD MEETINGS IS AGAINST THE LAW AND OUR POLICY

Recently this came up at a meeting so we need to make it known to everyone. As far as we know it has never been allowed by policy to tape record by phone or any means a regular or executive board meeting. We continue this policy. It is also a legal violation to record anyone without permission of all attending per Penal Code 632, which is punishable by a \$2500 fine and/or 1 year in jail.

Reminder that the Dues increase went into effect January 1, 2016 to \$335

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Next Board Meeting 6:30 p.m. Monday, March 7, 2016. Newsletter and alerts email sign up owners and tenants: fairmontcable@aol.com Web page www.myhoa.com/fairmonthill