



April 2022

## NEIGHBORLY NOTES FROM CHRISTINE

Enjoy Fullerton!

**Spring and Daylight Savings Time!** What a glorious season! The Birds of Paradise are blooming along the Drive, and those sweet little pink bouquets on the Indian Hawthorne Shrubs are popping out! The weather is perfect for us to work on our patios and front flower beds. If you don't want to take care of plants, I understand. Years back I switched to rocks, boulders, and succulents. With water shortages in California, and the escalating price for water, we all need to re-evaluate the water needs of our own spaces as well as the common property in Glenwood.

If you walk to the Terrace and look at the Succulent Garden and dry creek bed between 814 and 812, you will get an idea of drought tolerant plantings. The plants need a little shower on the leaves occasionally and seem quite happy showing off for all of us. If you would like to try this type of flower bed in a Common area, all it takes is drawing up a plan showing what you want to install in the space and submitting it to the Board for approval. The gardeners removed the Agapanthus plants that covered the space and installed the original rock creek bed that I designed. Please note: these plants are not cacti! Succulents come in lots of colors, and most have flowers. All the plants growing there came from clippings of succulents potted on my patio. You can choose cuttings from the plants you like on my patio. How's that for cost-cutting! Call first.

Recently, I installed more rocks(cheap) and widened the creek bed, then topped the bare spots with mulch. If you want tips on design or clippings from my patio, I'm happy to share. Text me at 714 930 5434. Happy to help. It's a serious matter!

As you drive down Woods from Valley View, notice homes that are beginning to install succulent gardens. There is a lovely example on Lemon Hill Terrace. Our Police Station and the east end of City Hall have well-designed drought tolerant plantings.

**Thursday Farmer's Market** is now open from 4:30-8:30 (during Daylight Savings Time). Market is located on Wilshire between Harbor and Pomona Street, an easy(flat) 30-minute walk from Glenwood with your dog and children. There is live music on the bandstand at 6:30 and a pop-up fountain for the kids and dogs to play in. Fresh produce, other food items, often plants and flowers along with light food are sold by vendors. This is one of my favorite activities in Fullerton! Parking can be a bit frustrating, so walking is a good idea. Give it a try.



**The Wednesday Certified Farmer's Market** is open year-round and is now located behind the Fullerton Community Center on Commonwealth. 8:00 - 1:00.

**Korean War Memorial:** Were you aware that Fullerton now has a Korean War Memorial recently paid for and installed by US Veterans of the Korean War? The location is at the Southeast corner of Brea Boulevard and Harbor, near the Creek in Hillcrest Park. Worth an outing.

**Discover Fullerton** is planning an in-person walking tour of the Juanita Cooke Trail, a historic route. To register and for other details, go to the Fullerton City Website. [cityoffullerton.com](http://cityoffullerton.com)

**LOQUATS!** *Loquats are coming ripe in Glenwood! There are several trees along the Malvern Slope. Use the stairs at the end of the Cul-de-sac on Glenwood Terrace and you will see the light orange/yellow fruit. Loquats originated in Asia; the flesh is smooth with a mild sweet taste. My favorite part of the Loquat is the seeds! The seeds are enormous compared to the size of the fruit. You will find 2-6 seeds inside. Please help yourself, the trees belong to the community, and if we don't eat them, the birds and squirrels will! Bring a long-handled fruit picker to get those high ones.*

Questions? email me at [neverpeak@yahoo.com](mailto:neverpeak@yahoo.com)

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## **VIRGINIA'S POOL SIDE CHAT**



**Board Meetings:** The board meets on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the club house. Next meeting is April 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Asphalting Streets Update:** In February two board members walked Glenwood's streets with three vendors who will be submitting bids for asphalting. The vendors requested core samples of the road for purposes of bid preparation. At the March board meeting the board approved the proposal from So Cal. Bobcat & Concrete to core drill 9 core samples at the cost of \$780. The 9 core sample locations were identified by the three vendors. The samples will be used by the vendors to determine pavement density for purposes of preparing their bids.

The community will be kept informed about the asphalting project through various means such as notices, newsletters, and mailings.



**Audit Report:** At the February board meeting the board approved the audit report prepared by VanDerPol and Company. Homeowners should receive a copy of the audit report in the mail. If you have not received a copy, please contact Ana Calva.

**Vote by Acclamation:** At the February board meeting the board approved updates to the Election and Voting Rules prepared by Glenwood's attorney. The updates incorporated Section 5103 of the Civil Code which allows election of directors by acclamation if specific conditions are met.

An election by acclamation simply means that if the number of qualifying candidates is equal to or less than the number of director positions to be filled, then the Board may seat the qualified candidates by acclamation. This change can help associations save their members money by declaring the outcome of uncontested elections without the need for costly balloting.

Glenwood's election and voting rules are posted to Glenwood's website. If you would like a copy of the election and voting rules, please contact Ana Calva.

**Homeowner Survey In Mail:** Please be on the lookout for a survey letter the Board has sent out to all homeowners. The Board is interested in knowing if homeowners are interested in capping the number of homes that can be rentals. This would require an amendment to Glenwood's covenants. California Civil Code section 4741 allows Homeowner Associations to adopt and enforce a rental cap of not more than 25 percent of the total homes.

The amendment would only be applicable to new homeowners who acquire their homes on or after the date of the recorded amendment. All current homeowners are "grandfathered", and the cap would not apply to them, whether they are currently renting or not.

Please complete your survey and return in enclosed envelope. The Board will be discussing this issue at the April 26<sup>th</sup> open board meeting.

**Correct Contact Information:** Please make sure your contact information (address) is up to date. This is important for mailings such as the audit report, voting, surveys, and other important correspondence sent to you by the Association. If your address has changed, or if you want to make sure your address is correct, contact Ana Calva.

Also, there are times when Glenwood reaches out to the community via an e-mail blast to inform residents of current or upcoming events. If you would like to be added to the e-mail blast directory, please contact Ana Calva, and give her your email address.



**Outside Lighting:** Some homeowners have added outside lighting by their garages. The lighting is an improvement made by the homeowner and at the homeowner's expense. Generally timed lighting or sensor lighting is used for these types of lights. This is a great idea for homeowners to consider doing since it improves your home's overall safety. If you have such lightening, remember to ensure that the lighting works and is maintained.

If you are interested in installing such lighting, please submit an architectural application for approval.

**Mailboxes:** The mailboxes in Glenwood are owned by the U.S. Postal Service. If the mailbox is either damaged/broken or if your key does not work, you need to contact your local post office. The local post office telephone number for our area is 714-525-1024.

**Lost and Found:** A key was found in front of the clubhouse. If you have lost a key please contact me at [littlejeanie@me.com](mailto:littlejeanie@me.com) or 714-680-3943 and identify the key.

**Other Informational Presentations:** If there are presentations that the membership would find helpful, for example earthquake safety, please let me know. You can e-mail me at [littlejeanie@me.com](mailto:littlejeanie@me.com).

