

MUTUAL FIVE

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MONTHLY REPORTS FOR**

AUGUST 2016

(See information attached.)

MUTUAL 5
President's Report
August 17, 2016

We have begun the process of installing the Smart Burners. The process does take time. So far we have installed four buildings. Theoretically we are supposed to have a service maintenance technician on Monday and Wednesday mornings. During each of those periods we can install the burners in one building. So with forty-one buildings -- theoretically -- it will take twenty and a half weeks which, if we lived in a perfect world, would mean that they would all be installed by December 21st. But wait, it's not a perfect world and it is likely to take longer. Technicians are frequently called upon to handle emergency situations and we just have to wait. So please be patient.

We are still waiting to hear back about our roofing contract. Details on that, hopefully, will be announced at the September Board meeting.

In order to get another tree planted in the little lane I live on, all the shareholders are chipping in. Maybe you would like to do that on your green or lane as well.

For those of you who are eligible, Handicap access funds are still available for cut down showers.

Speaking of plumbing, at the President's Council we were told that one of our biggest plumbing problems is that people dispose of adult diapers by flushing them. This is a big no, no. Please dispose of diapers by putting them in a plastic bag, tying it and putting it in the dumpster.

I want to thank the Handy Couple, Ted and Jeri Nowell, for donating their services to clean our Solar Panels.

Enjoy your summer!

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Coven, President Mutual 5

SEAL BEACH MUTUAL NUMBER FIVE

GRF DIRECTOR'S REPORT

AUGUST 17, 2016

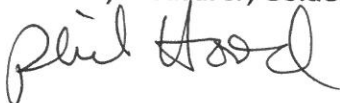
Of primary interest and concern have been the development, discussion and calculation of the 2017 Budgets of the varied GRF Committee's and departments. Sometimes as in the Publications Committee, other factors are considered such as in advertising rates for full page and half-page ads; revision in policies allowing staff to run ads in using various languages spoken in the community with English translations; Physical Property and Architecture, Design and Review Committees are working on the revisions that will be incorporated in the Club House Four project which is planned for January – February restoration. This will require moving numerous organizations and clubs to other venues for their functions normally occurring in this clubhouse. The Recreation Department is taking care of this re-scheduling in their usual effective manner.

Physical Property by its very nature is a huge component of our community and activities in upcoming months include: parking issues amongst the clubhouses, specifically CH6 and CH5 including Health Center and Administration Building; street improvements to the St. Andrews Gate and vicinity; development of paving projects among some seven trust streets including Cedar Crest in our mutual; questions on vehicle charging considering electric transportation development; and the fence situation at Golden Rain Road and St. Andrews intersection is being evaluated for improvement. Amphitheater restrooms are being examined to ensure proper appearance and functioning due to some concerns that are expressed from time to time.

All standing committees are involved with the Finance Department in developing their 2017 Budgets in order to ensure financial sufficiency covering necessary operational, capital and anticipated and planned expenditures for the coming year and years. Reserves are also a vital portion of this financial necessity and anticipating repairs, replacements and maintenance on various properties over a period of 5, 10, 15 and longer periods is an important exercise to ensure adequate funding is available. Our Mutual Five and your Board is very active and has been quite diligent in its exercising responsibility regarding funding of reserves during the past 10-12 years which is why you are in excellent position in beginning the expensive roof replacements in protecting your property.

Respectfully submitted,

Phil Hood, Treasurer, Golden Rain Foundation

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Phil Hood". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Wednesday, August 18, 2016

Some quick updates:

Trees

- The 2016 Fall Pruning estimate is due to be approved in New Business today. Work will commence in mid-September
- New tree planting notification (tree donations) will be due September 13, 2016, which include new plantings suggested and to approved at the September BOD meeting.

Andre Landscaping

- The grass is in a dying/dormant stage. Beginning in early October, the process/calendar of lowering the turf (scalping), aeration and reseeding/fertilizing will be developed in the next several weeks.
- Ongoing discussions to facilitate improvements will be dealt with on a daily basis.

Reminders:

- The turf, trees and tree wells are considered common area. Residents are not permitted to water the grass, plant flowers in the tree wells (this jeopardizes the health of trees) or trim tree branches. If there is a low branch, contact me and we will have this trimmed.
- Please do not approach our gardeners with special requests. Should you have a need, please contact me and I will make arrangements with the gardeners to handle as time permits within their rotation schedule.
- Per Davis Stirling Civil Code 4750, the mutual can require removal of dead plant material in resident gardens. This will be performed by Andre Landscaping during their rotation schedule.

And finally, please be mindful that we are in a drought. Your hose **must** have an on/off mechanism. Also, watering patios and walkways is not permitted. Please do your part to conserve our precious water.

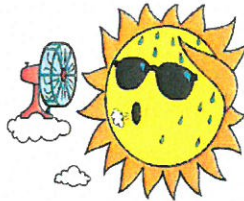
As always, please contact me (562/446-0749) if you have questions or issues.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Trembly, Chair, Landscaping Committee



Summer is coming in Our Hometown

**The Mutual Administration Director's Report
August, 2016**



The Sun is "cookin"...Better be" lookin" to.....

- Check on your most elderly neighbors
- Make sure you drink lots of liquids



- Pets get hot too! They need plenty of water
- Do not do strenuous exercise in the mid-day sun such as:



Working out



Cycling



Running



Walking

Hot Weather  brings out  thirsty- hungry  critters:
Please keep dog food and water bowls inside and not on you patio.



REMEMBER....COMMUNITY UNITY BEGINS WITH YOU

Urban Coyotes



Coyote activity around Orange County, including Seal Beach, gives reason for reminding our residents of important safeguards to protect lives and property against these wild animals. Springtime is typically the birthing season for coyotes. With that, coyotes become more active in their search to find food to feed their offspring along with a decrease in their habit we are seeing a higher than normal calls on coyote sightings.

The following information was supplied to us last year by the Seal Beach Police Department and based upon a few recent sightings important information:

Thank you for reaching out to me regarding coyotes, Coyotes maintain a constant presence in all areas of the Seal Beach community. Urban coyote movement and residency is based on available food sources. If food is prevalent in an area, they will stay until the food source is eradicated and then move on to more fertile territories. The key to successful management of the urban coyote is to eliminate the food sources inadvertently provided by humans. Outdoor pet food bowls, open trash cans, access to crawl spaces and small pets left out at night are a common attractants for wildlife and can increase the number of wild animals in the neighborhood. Responsible neighbors never feed wild animals, intentionally or unintentionally.

- Staying close to your pet when taking them outdoors and always keeping them on a leash, especially from dusk through early morning hours.
- Removing fallen fruit from the ground.
- Bagging food wastes such as meat scraps or leftover pet food.
- Keeping trash in containers with tight-fitting lids.
- Using “hazing” techniques to shoo away coyotes, such as standing tall, yelling and waving arms while approaching the coyote; using a whistle, air horn, bell or other device; banging pots or pans together; stomping your feet; using a water hose, pepper spray, or throwing tennis balls or rocks at the coyote.
- Never running away from a coyote.

Coyotes Are Active In This Area

Coyotes in populated areas are typically less fearful of people. They have been known to attack pets and approach people too closely. Please read and share these tips.



If a Coyote Approaches You:

- Do not run or turn your back
- Be as big and as loud as possible
- Wave your arms and throw objects
- Face the coyote and back away slowly
- If attacked, fight back

Protect Your Pets:

- Keep pets on a short leash
- Use extra caution dusk through dawn
- Keep you pets indoors dusk through dawn

Long Beach Animal Care Services

(http://www.longbeach.gov/acs/wildlife/living_with_urban_coyote.asp)

recommends calling them at (562) 570-7387(PETS) to report all Coyote sightings and determine if an Animal Control Officer is needed. Sightings can also be reported online using the link below.

If the coyote is posing an imminent threat to life, call 911.

Coyote safety and our pets

Coyote reports and activity have declined but we must continue to be diligent working together through community unity and continue hazing. Many Shareholders are still (and rightly so) concerned about coyote sightings and the consequences of predator animals within our community. We must not forget several Shareholders unfortunately have lost their beloved pets to these skilled hunters; we must be strong, motivated and most importantly **proactive**.

But what does being proactive mean? In short proactive measures in coyote control mean:

- We must continue haze the coyotes
- We must not feed wildlife
- We must keep food and garbage off our patios
- We must project our pets

Small pets can easily become coyote prey. Cats and small dogs **should never be allowed outside alone**. It's highly recommended that small pets always be accompanied by their owner and dogs must be on a 6 foot leash. A dog or cat left on a patio can be snatched in a matter of moments. .

Listed below are some of the steps you can take to minimize encounters and potential conflicts between coyotes and your pets.

Cat Safety

The only way of ensuring that your cat is safe from coyotes is to keep it indoors. The more time your cat is outdoors the greater the risk it faces, not only from coyotes, but also from hawks and owls.

Dog Safety

- The most common conflict between coyotes and dogs is with smaller dogs. To ensure your pet is safe the best action is to supervise it at all times it is outside and make sure your pet is never off leash while outside of your home.
- There have been reports of coyotes taking small dogs from not only the direct vicinity of their owner, but directly off the leash. If you notice a coyote when walking your dog, **quickly gather your dog in your arms if possible**, or keep it as close to you as possible while using some of the hazing methods we have presented in earlier articles.
- Use a 6 foot maximum length leash. You may want to see your dog scamper around on a long or retractable leash, but this is only placing your dog in harm's way and is a violation of policy.

SIGN-IN SHEET

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MUTUAL NO. FIVE

DATE: AUGUST 17, 2016

	GUEST NAME
1.	Sandra Massa Lavitt
2.	Carol Chambers
3.	Gale Sweeney
4.	Kay Montoya
5.	Mami McGee
6.	Steve Schneider
7.	Gene Box
8.	Rosemarie Da Roza
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