

# **MUTUAL FIVE**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MONTHLY REPORTS FOR**

**FEBRUARY 2017**

**(See information attached.)**

**SEAL BEACH MUTUAL NUMBER FIVE**

**GOLDEN RAIN FOUNDATION DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

**FEBRUARY 15, 2017**

As we continue through the "winter" and approach a warming Spring, a number of things are occurring throughout our community. The Clubhouse Four Renovation Project is progressing very well with floors being sealed and awaiting the placement of new flooring this week. Carpeting and curtains for stage area are available for installation, painting is continuing, TV screens and necessary apparatus and electronics are present, and it is becoming very possible, as hoped, that our GRF monthly Board meeting on February 28, will be called to order in Clubhouse Four!

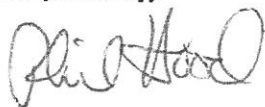
The St. Andrews Gate project will be developed in consideration of concerns caused by underground tree roots affecting meridian/roadway areas. The engineering company in its investigation, as is usually customary, included several alternatives to handling the possible changes to the traffic handling suitability of number of lanes to accommodate cars, carts, bikes, trucks, emergency equipment, etc. The Physical Property Committee unanimously approved its Design Concept 1, which includes retaining the current four lanes of traffic flow from Golden Rain Road to the Back Gate. Final preparations and decisions will be made upon approval for the project by the GRF Board.

Clubhouse Two is being discussed from the standpoint of planned renovations, replacements and improvements, with a possible closure for work from September 1 through October, 2017. This is dependent upon final relative actions required by the Committee involved and Board final approval. Areas under advisement are: Lobby, Stage (repair existing), Restrooms, Multi-use Rooms, Parking, Exterior Paint, General Area, Kitchen, Wood Shop, Roof, Shuffle Board Pavilion, Landscape, Flooring, Curtains, and Storage Cabinets.

With the 2017 City Expo scheduled at the end of summer, the Committee unanimously agreed to approve its taking place on September 9, 2017, in Clubhouses Three and Four. Previous events have been very well attended and will provide various venues including BBQ and music.

Pickleball continues to interest our residents with increased numbers of players and we even had some who participated in the recent City Pickleball Tournament. Congratulations on a wonderful, active lifestyle...!! Let's all keep it up!!!!

Respectfully,



Phil Hood, Treasurer

**Mutual Five  
President's Report  
February 15, 2017**

Mutual Five  
addition to  
cooking with



sponsored Chef Connie Dedy, a recent our Mutual 5 family, to teach a class on the Smart Burners. The class was well attended and a great success. We learned how to make Chinese style stir fry on the Smart Burners and we got to eat some as well. The way Connie taught it, it was easy. Using her recipe I was surprised at my success when I tried it. Unfortunately many Mutual Five Shareholders were unable to attend. Fortunately you can still see the show at <https://vimeo.com/195845380>. Janice Laine was the videographer. I hope you enjoy it as much as I did.

If you remember, Policy 7425.5 Garden Areas states that the "Shareholders are expected to maintain and water their garden." Please see the attached flyer about improving the drainage in your garden.

More rain coming so we are on pause with the roofing until it we have clear weather.

Keep dry,

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Coven



# GARDEN TIP

## Improving drainage

1. Add soil and/or mulch
2. Then rake so that the soil slopes away from the building towards the lawn.
3. Open a corner scalloped brick 1 – 2 inches to allow drainage if needed.



## FATS, GREASE & OIL ARE NOT HARMLESS.

- When it's liquid it seems easy to pour it down the drain. But when it cools, it hardens and sticks to the pipe walls.
- Do this over enough times and you have a clogged pipe or worse, a burst pipe or clogged sewer line.

### THREE EASY WAYS TO DISPOSE OF FAT, GREASE & OIL

1. Pour your somewhat cooled fat, grease or oil into a sealed container and discard with your regular garbage.
2. Before rinsing your greasy cookware and dishes, begin by wiping them off using a paper towel to absorb extra fat, oil or grease. Then, proceed to wash as usual.
3. Scrape food scraps from dishes and cookware before washing; do not wash them down the sink.

**Kitchen drain smells:** This may be because you dump fat, oil or grease and food scraps down your sink.

**Gentle Reminder:** Your grease combines with neighbor grease and eventually clogs our sewers which get expensive to clean out.

**Follow these simple tips and you will avoid any clogging pipes and have a better 'flow.'**

# LANDSCAPE REPORT

Wednesday, February 15, 2017

## **Updates**

### **Andre Landscaping**

- Just a short update: The Andre crew finished gutter cleaning yesterday.
- The sprinklers have been turned off for six weeks and will continue to be off until the rain begins to subside. As I mentioned last month, it is still good practice to conserve water, in spite of the fact that the drought has ended. We never know what's going to happen in the 2017/2018 rainy season.

### **Trees**

- Spring pruning is scheduled for April. The next pruning will not take place until the fall.

### **Reminders**

Please do not water your patios or walkways. Please do not plant flowers in the tree wells. Please make sure your downspouts do not protrude beyond the scallops. If yours are hanging over, please make sure you move these on mowing days (Thursday).

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

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan Trembly, Chair, Landscape Committee



## Golden Rain Foundation

# Member Resource and Assistance Liaison

The Member Resource and Assistance Liaison is dedicated to improving the quality of life for residents. The Member Resource Liaison is available for crisis intervention, linkages to community resources, and support. For confidential and free service please contact this department if you are:

- Grieving the loss of a loved one
- Caring for an ill or aging relative
- Coping with a life changing diagnosis
- Making long-term care arrangements
- Feeling overwhelmed and stressed
- In need of assistance in your home
- Interested in a volunteer opportunity
- Homebound and in need of a friendly visitor

Contact Cynthia Tostado, LCSW Member Resource and Assistance Liaison at 562-431-6586 X 317



## **PROPER USE OF GARBAGE DISPOSAL**

**When using the garbage disposal be sure to run plenty of water!**

Follow these easy steps when using the garbage disposal:

1. Turn on the cold water
2. Turn on the disposal
3. Feed the material into the disposal a little at a time
4. When the hammering stops, turn off the disposal and keep the water running for one minute
5. Make sure to run the disposal every day, even though you are not putting it to normal use
6. If the disposal stops working, locate the RED re-set button on the bottom surface of the unit and hold for 30-seconds.

### **\*REMINDER\***

#### **Please do not grind these items**

Bones	Onion Skins
Carrot peelings	Pea Pods
Celery & Rhubarb Stalks	Potato Peelings
Coffee Grounds	Grease
Corn Cobs–Husks or Silks	Pills
Egg Shells	Glass
	Rice
	Any fibrous materials

If the disposal is not grinding as well as it should, grind some ice to sharpen the blades.

To deodorize the disposal grind some lemon, lime or orange rinds.