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1. Voting is essential—there are 3 ballots this year!

- Shareholders MUST return all THREE ballots whether or not you vote for any Mutual 5 Board members, the GRF Representative, or the Bylaws. DO NOT THROW AWAY YOUR BALLOTS!
- If we do not reach our quorum we will be required to pay for yet another election. Elections are very expensive and the Mutual pays for them.
- Follow instructions on each of the THREE ballots. The Mutual 5 ballot will be in one envelope. GRF Rep and Bylaws ballots will be in one envelope.
- Return the ballots by mail or in person. Read the instructions very carefully! WHAT ARE YOU VOTING FOR THIS YEAR?
- Mutual 5 Board—3 of 7 board positions are on the ballot because our Directors serve 2-year terms. 3 are elected in odd-numbered years and 4 are elected in even-numbered years.
- Mutual 5 GRF Representative—GRF board members are elected every other year. The GRF ballot and the Bylaws ballot will be together in a second envelope.
- Leisure World Bylaws Amendment—The Bylaws have been amended to correct the outdated 1962 language that only includes he/him, implying that only males can serve on boards. Additional language has been amended to ensure that all mutuals are fairly represented on the GRF board. PLEASE VOTE "YES" ON THE AMENDED BYLAWS!

3. Pets must be registered ANNUALLY

For the safety of your pet and fellow shareholders, all pets must be registered annually. We recommend you routinely register your pets in January so you remember. Shareholders not renewing will receive a letter from GRF.

4. Large objects must be taken to the TRAILERS!

NEVER leave tables, chairs, ironing boards, lamps and other large items by the dumpsters. Shareholders are responsible for taking items to the trailers in Leisure World's northwest corner. Hire someone if you cannot do it yourself.



2. Wipes in the **Pipes**

Please-no wipes in the pipes or food down our disposals!

Wipes don't dissolve. They collect in a ball in our sewers and are responsible for very expensive plumbing repairs.

Recently two toilets backed up due to wipes, flooding the bathroom floors. The total bill was \$2,000.

Our 60-year-old sewers will last if we take care of them. Wipes in our toilets and compost in our garbage disposals <u>can potentially cause</u> sewer damage that could cost between \$50,000-\$100,000 in repairs or sewer replacement.

Who pays for these careless habits? Every shareholder in Mutual 5.



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5. Composting is Required

Composting isn't difficult. We are required to put our compost in the special garbage bins.

- Your regular trash container will stay sweet smelling because there is no food.
- The special composting container seals tightly, making fewer trips to the dumpsters.
- We now have 3 types of garbage: 1.Compost 2.Recycling 3.Regular Trash
- There are many 1.75-gallon bins and semi-transparent compostable green bags available.
- Pictured is the OXO Brand Compost Bin and one of the many brands of bags you can find on Amazon.
- Save our sewers! Don't put your compost in the garbage disposal.

6. A message from CFO Ken Cude about converting to National Service Co.

The Mutual 5 Board of Directors recently voted to sign a lease with National Service Co. to provide our mutual with washers and dryers. Here are the reasons for this change:

- Shareholders are entitled to reliable and fully operational laundry rooms.
- Appliances are getting more expensive and they have a shorter life.
- It is getting more and more difficult to keep all the washers and dryers repaired and replaced due to the long wait for parts and new appliances.
- Trespassers from other Mutuals and other unauthorized people will no longer be tempted to use our laundry rooms.
- We will no longer need to pay Service Maintenance to repair and replace washers and dryers.
- National Service Co. will repair machines quickly because their repair vehicles carry all the necessary parts. Repairs can usually be completed in 3 hours after receiving a call, at no cost to the Mutual.
- The Mutual will receive 40% of the proceeds from the machines, which will reduce the carrying charge on the laundry rooms for all shareholders. And it will help cover water and electrical costs.
- A load will cost 75 cents for washing and 75 cents for drying.
- The machines accept quarters, but shareholders can also use an app on their smartphones to pay electronically.
- Paying for washing and drying will encourage shareholders to do full loads instead of energy-wasting small loads.
- Shareholders will be informed as soon as we know when the installation is scheduled, which will only take 2-3 days.
- Our laundry rooms are for shareholders only (no family or caregivers).