



JANUARY 2022

Welcome back to our snowbirds! Because of travel limitations around the globe being lifted, it has allowed so many of our friends to return to enjoy our community. Hooray! We have tried to keep you informed by sending out Snippets throughout the year.

Accomplishments

We accomplished a great deal in 2021. Roots under the pavers were removed, and the pavers were put back in place. New pole lights were installed, and gutters were cleaned out. Many plants were added and one trash bin renewal was completed. We have three more of them to do. We also contracted with a new fire protection service.

Maintenance Items

Since Cascades is a mature community, we always have things that need to be repaired or replaced. This year, we had a new irrigation pump installed in our south pond. Some of our water features would not shut off or not turn on. We replaced a pump in one of them and had a new control valve replaced in another feature. Three light sensors and a timer were replaced. We also had three plumbing leaks which were repaired. The landscape committee replaced dead and sick plants.

Dryer Vent Cleaning

Lint in your dryer vents is a fire hazard and can make your dryer run less efficiently. Last month, you should have received an E-blast about dryer lint removal. It was also explained in the last Snippets. The board has arranged for the outside vents to be cleaned at no expense to you. You don't need to be home for this. The board has also arranged a special price of \$30 for Cascades owners for cleaning of the inside vent which will take place on February 1, 2022. You will need to make arrangements with Lint Out to get this offer. Attached is the flyer with the information. We strongly urge you to take advantage of this great offer.

Sprinkler Check

Annually, we need to have our sprinklers checked. On January 26 or 27, Naples Fire Protection will need access to your condo to check them out. Please have someone available to let them in when they knock at your door.

Speedy Drivers

Please slow down! Some owners and guests are risking the lives of our walkers, bikers, and other drivers. Both walkers and drivers have been seen on the phone or wearing earphones. Please maintain a safe speed and be alert.

Bulletin Boards

At the suggestion of the Landscape Committee, we have replaced the corkboards that were removed during our painting project with aluminum enclosed cases.

Pet Cleanup

For those owners who have dogs, no matter how small, please pick up the waste. We are aware that some folks from other associations walk on our street and do not pick up. We would like to know who these inconsiderate dog owners are. Whatever you can do to catch them would be appreciated.

Guardian Property Management

This is the company that we have retained to manage our property and assets, and whom you should call when association things break. Typically, when things break inside your unit, it is your responsibility. Outside items are usually the association's responsibility. For these outside items, contact our Guardian manager, Mark Shadler. He does have backup on the weekends and after hours. His number is 239-514-7432.

Board News

At the January annual meeting, we did not have any new nominees for positions on our board so it was not necessary to have an election. Of the five 2021 board members, four are returning. We need five to manage the work load and to assure we have a majority in voting. Our bylaws provide that an appointment can be made to fill this position. Please think about volunteering. It's an exciting job with lots of work, no travel, no benefits, and no pay.

Master Board

The common areas of Falling Waters are under the Master Board. Common areas include the clubhouse, the pool, the main roads, tennis courts, bocce courts, etc. The Master Board holds regular meetings but the best way to bring matters to their attention is first through the Cascades board as we have a representative on the Master Board.

Your Board of Director