

WESTWOOD #2 TOWNHOUSES

NEWSLETTER

Water Conservation

At present, we are under a voluntary order to conserve water. On February 14th, the grand jury report recommended mandatory restrictions because "the citizens of San Diego believe the water party will go on forever". The report also says "the public regularly ignores water conservation". That appears to be true with regard to our complex.

The landscapers have made a real effort to conserve water which has been reflected in the irrigation water bills. Please continue to call in broken sprinklers, leaks, and areas which are being overwatered. Our system is very old and we are investigating the installation of "smart controllers". Chris has also called the city to schedule a "water survey".

Most residents have NOT made the same commitment to conserve; the household water bills continue to rise. At this point, residents should NOT be hosing down their patios, walkways and driveways. In the past week, I have spoken to two residents only a few units away. I'm even willing to loan out my very light-weight electric blower, along with it's cord, to save the water.

Two recent San Diego Union newspaper articles, "Drought conundrum: Conserve water, pay higher rates" (June 10, 2008) and "County water authority OKs 11.9% rate increase" (June 27, 2008) explain the situation. These articles can be accessed via the internet by logging on to "SignonSanDiego.com". For suggestions on how you may conserve, log on to "www.20gallonchallenge.com", minus, in both cases, the quotation marks.

A couple of quotations from the articles stood out: "Starting in January, the typical homeowner will pay \$3.42 more a month for water" (Our current budget is very tight; increased costs are reflected in increased monthly dues for ALL.) and "residents are under urgent pressure to save water or risk mandates that would ban them from watering their lawns and washing their cars at will".

What have you done to conserve water?

Neighborhood Watch

All of Westwood has recently revived our NHW program. We have new District I leaders, Dennise Wolfe and Luis Chavez. We need more Block Captains in the Westwood #2 area. The commitment involves a minimum of time and effort. If you have questions about the program, please e-mail me at jbush5@san.rr.com. I have a document that I can send as a PDF attachment to a return e-mail. We especially need Block Captains for the following areas:

11301-11338 Matinal Circle

11373-11391 Matinal Circle

11401-11429 Matinal Circle

17553-17579 Matinal Road

17425-17461 Caminito Baya

17533-17551 Matinal Road

If you live within these areas and are willing to volunteer, please e-mail me. I am the Area Coordinator. You may also contact the NHW office on the second floor of the RB Library or the District I folks. The other areas of Westwood #2 can always use another set of eyes as "We watch out for each other".

There will also be a very brief one hour meeting on August 5th at the Westwood Club from 6:00-7:00 pm. This date is the 25th annual National NHW "Night Out" against crime. Afterwards, you may want to get together with your neighbors to discuss the security problems in your immediate neighborhood. We seem to have recently acquired some marauding teens and pre-teens who may or may not live in Westwood #2 who are causing damage and throwing items at residents of Westwood #2.

Acquiring Documents

Copies of the CC&Rs, Architectural Applications and Attachment A (which denotes who maintains what) must be obtained from Elite Management and residents must pay for photocopying the CC&Rs. But I have copies of all of the recent newsletters, the WW II Enforcement Policy, the Selected Rules and Regulations, and the rules concerning satellite dishes and air conditioners on my desktop. If you e-mail me, I can send them as a return PDF attachment to an e-mail (jbush5@san.rr.com) at no charge. I would really like a website for our Association but I don't have the knowledge to develop one at this time. If there is a resident who would like to volunteer to set one up, please get in touch with Elite Management or me.

Consideration of Neighbors - Noise

The Board of Directors and Elite Management are NOT the "noise police" for noise complaints which are within the legal limits. It is summer, our windows are open unless we have central air conditioning and we need to "catch the breezes" in order to survive. We ALL must be more considerate and tolerant with regard to noise between 7 am and 10 pm.

Street Parking, Parking Lot Parking

Just a reminder as parking becomes tight in our area, designated parking spaces are NOT reserved; they are first come, first park. No vehicle may be parked for more than 72 hours continuously in the same place either on the street or in the little lots belonging to Westwood #2. This is a city ordinance.

Completion of Painting Project

The painters have long since completed the painting of the complex. Please call or e-mail customer service at Elite Management if they missed something (858-485-0881, customerservice@elitemanagement.com). Your patio covers may be painted either by you at no charge (except for the paint) or Sunset Painters will paint them for an additional fee. Owners are responsible for touch-ups needed because of animals, children, or if you are planning on renting or selling your unit. The paint may

be purchased right here in Rancho Bernardo at Frazee Paint located at 11808 Rancho Bernardo Road (the Mercado). The phone number is (858)618-3351. A 10% saving will be given to all owners who mention that they live in Westwood II. The paint colors are:

blue - Sea Spray DE3114

rust - Muted Yam DE3043

green - Canyon Abyss DE3166

base color - Winter Lite DE3186

The product names are:

Duratec (flat paint)

Aroplate (semi-gloss used to paint the doors).

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