

SEPTEMBER

Carmel Pointers

2024



PRESIDENT'S CORNER - By Terry Wolf

The Carmel Pointe board met on August 12th via Zoom. We review the bids from three companies for our annual gate maintenance contract. After reviewing the bids, we chose Moving Gate Systems to replace Kaiser Gate Company. Moving Gate has extensive experience with our equipment, and their terms of service and costs were more favorable. We also voted to replace our NO TRESPASSING signs with new ones that have legally correct language.

I will be retiring from the board at the January annual meeting after serving 10 years on the board and we will be taking applications for anyone who would like to run for the board. If you are interested, please contact any of our board members for more information or anyone on the nominating committee.

On Thursday we had a man ring our doorbell who said he was canvassing for signatures for the AFLCIO. I informed him immediately that he was trespassing and that we had signs posted and that we were a gated community that did not allow this. He rather forcefully insisted that he had every right to be in our community, invoking free speech, and I could do nothing to stop him. I told him again that he was trespassing and that he needed to leave our community immediately. He refused and said he was going to continue canvassing the neighborhood. I told him I was going to call the police if he did not leave, and he replied "Go Ahead" so I did. He then went to the east end of Bridalveil and stood there. The Oro Valley police responded quickly and after a few minutes they followed him as he walked to the west end of Bridalveil and left our community via the pedestrian/cart path. The officer who responded called me soon after and reported that a van was dropping these people off in neighborhoods in our area and that he was sure he would be receiving more calls before the day was over. At 7:00 pm as Jan and I were on our patio we saw him walking east on the sidewalk along the road to the community center and stop and sat down at the corner right behind our house. A few minutes later an OV police car stopped and went over to talk to him again.

I want to encourage residents who encounter anyone canvassing or trespassing in our community to call the OV police department at 520-229-4900 and tell them what is going on so they can respond accordingly. The woman who answered my call and put me through immediately to the person who sent out the officer.

LANDSCAPING UPDATES - By Vida Dietz

I mentioned in July that the Mexican Bird of Paradise plants were really doing well and they are still looking very good! The photo to the right displays just a couple of these plants.



Monsoon season is still with us and as we near the end of August, we are still seeing a few decent storms, but so far, no more damage... fingers crossed! As summer winds down, we also begin to decrease irrigation as the very hot days are behind us. We irrigate year round but the winter months are when we use the least water.

Again, a reminder to please **not hand water** the plants, shrubs and trees that are on the Carmel Pointe irrigation system. If you have concerns about any plants, please let us know by calling the answering service as noted in the next paragraph.

Below is the rotation schedule for September, which can also be found on the website and will be posted on the bulletin board by the mailboxes. If you have a concern or request, please contact the **Answering Service** to leave a message so the work can be scheduled. That service is available 24/7 by calling **520.408.4609**.



Board of Directors Vacancy - The CP HOA board consists of five Directors serving terms of three (3) years each. After serving on the board for 10 years, Terry Wolf has provided notice of his intent to resign his position following the 2025 annual meeting. The term for one other board position will also end at that time creating the potential for two vacant board seats.

Whether you are a relatively new resident to Carmel Pointe or a long-time member, if you have an interest in directly participating in decisions that affect this community and its future wellbeing, **now is the time to act.** Please notify any current director of your interest or contact our association manager, Ashley Varner. She can be reached at ashley@platinumonline.org or by phone at (520) 623-2324.

ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

Food Bank – By Joy Goodsell

Those of you who receive the Food Bank's Nourishing News have read , "...we have seen record-breaking numbers in the amount of people we're serving...Several times this summer we have served more than 1,000 households just in one Thursday." Carmel Pointe's consistent summer contributions help families with rising prices. Last month we donated \$330.00 to the Food Bank. We will walk on **Tuesday, September 3, 2024 beginning at 6:30 am.** Keep up the good work!

SAVE THE DATE!!

This years **Thanksgiving block party** will take place on **Saturday, November 16** from Noon until 2:00. Volunteers needed! (See last page for details)

NOTES, QUIPS & QUOTES

- "Autumn is the antidote to stifling summer." -Terri Guillemets
- "Life starts all over again when it gets crisp in the fall." - F. Scott Fitzgerald
- "September tries its best to have us forget summer." - Bernard Williams
- "Wine is the divine juice of September." - Voltaire
- "All the months are crude experiments, out of which the perfect September is made." - Virginia Woolf

If you have news or information that you would like to share for publication in Carmel Pointers, please submit it to Joe Carpenter at planejock@earthlink.net at least **10 days prior** to the month in which you want it to appear.

Looking for information from a past issue? You can find it on the “Assoc Documents” page of the website at carmelpointehoa.com/

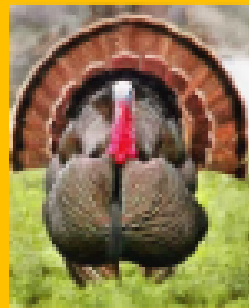
For HOA management matters, please contact Ashley Varner at ashley@platinumonline.org or christian@platinumonline.org. For urgent matters, call (520) 623-2324.

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THANKSGIVING BLOCK PARTY

NOVEMBER 16, 2024

12:00 PM to 2:00 PM



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Call

SHEILA LINDSAY, CHAIR

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