



The Pelican Brief

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HOA board members select officers, schedule new monthly meeting time

New officers for 2019 were named Dec. 10 when the Pelican Pointe Homeowners Association (HOA) Board of Directors met. Members of the Board discussed and volunteered to assume the responsibilities associated with the various officer roles (*see list on right*).

2019 Board of Directors

Charlotte Robinson, President
Sheila Powell, Vice President
Jim Bernuth, Treasurer
Kathy Benhke, Secretary
Mary Gehris, At-large
Marcia Helfant, At-large

The Pelican Pointe HOA is a corporation, members of the Board of Directors are owners who are elected by homeowners. Board members volunteer their time to ensure the continued cooperative best interests of the Pelican Pointe property.

Among matters discussed during the December Board meeting was a decision to change the start time for monthly meetings from 6 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. to better accommodate homeowners' work schedules. The next Board meeting is Monday, Jan. 14, 6:30 p.m. at the Windsor Gardens Community Center. All homeowners are always welcome.

2019 Monthly dues increase to \$275, coupon books mailed

New coupon books for Pelican Pointe monthly dues were mailed in December to homeowners. Any homeowner who did not receive coupons should contact Property Manager Jean Ronald, Weststar Management 720-941-9200. Payment is due on the first of the month, late after the 15th. Here are your payment options:

Payment with physical check: Mail check and coupon addressed to:

Pelican Pointe Homeowners Assoc., Inc.
c/o Weststar Management
P. O. Box 52956
Phoenix, AZ 85072-2956

Online banking or bill pay: If you choose this method of payment, you must instruct your bank to send the new (\$275) amount for payment to:

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Payments also can be made with e-check or via credit card. If you have any questions about charges on your Homeowner account please contact Weststar Management. If you need help with the online payment options, please contact Payment Customer Service at 866-800-4656; Mon-Fri, 6 a.m.-6 p.m., Mountain time. ###

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Submissions welcome for *The Pelican Brief*

Pelican Pointe residents are invited to submit letters to the editor to be included in this monthly newsletter. Submissions will be reviewed for accuracy and responded to when appropriate. The editor reserves the right to determine whether material submitted shall be printed and may edit as needed for space, libelous statements or personal unwarranted attacks. All submissions must be signed. Opinions are those of the individual writer and not those of the editor or HOA Board. Send along your observations or questions for *The Pelican Brief*, by mid- month, via email to daniellezieg@gmail.com. ###

The following is an editorial submitted by homeowner Steve Susman

Down-to-Earth in Spring-time

*Fly me to the moon
Let me play among the stars
Let me see what spring is like
On Jupiter and Mars.*

This syrupy ballad was popularized by Frank Sinatra in 1964. However, we need not await the possibility of inter-planetary travel. See “what spring is like” at Pelican Pointe in a few short months. Our HOA Board commissioned a prominent landscape architectural firm to present proposals for “upgrading” our landscaping. Their hypothetical views of an enhanced Pelican Pointe, in dramatic color, superimposed on actual photos of our internal neighborhoods – were beautiful. However, they were so elaborate that they would be suitable for the magnificent [Keukenhof Gardens](#), near Rotterdam, The Netherlands.

The Board elected to adopt only a relatively small part of these recommendations. This spring, our dedicated Grounds Committee will take charge of implementing that part, with budgetary compliance and Board approval. Selected areas of our complex will feature enhanced landscaping. Rampant rumors about the grandiosity of the purchased landscaping study will be moot.

On a related issue, the Board announced that Sonny Fischer, our long-time snow removal and landscape contractor, has reconfirmed that he and his crew will undertake to handle snow removal at Pelican Pointe this winter. It is presently unclear whether Sonny will be handling our primary landscaping needs this coming spring/summer/fall. Accordingly, our Board is now interviewing other landscape contractors. ###

Pelican Pointe property emergency after normal business hours

Call Weststar Management 720-941-9200, press option 1 to reach an on-call manager who will return your call promptly. That's 720 not 303.

Mark your calendar

Trash pickup days adjust due to two holidays on Jan. 1 and Jan. 21. Pickup dates are Thursday, Jan. 3; Wednesday, Jan. 9, 16; Thursday, Jan. 24; Wednesday, Jan. 30

--Recycle natural trees: Jan. 3, 9 (be sure to remove ALL ornaments)

--Recycle items in purple carts: Jan. 9, 24 (Reminder to [review details online](#) on what you can recycled, and don't put items in trash bags. For example: [put strings of holiday lights](#) that no longer work in purple recycle bins, not trash bags or trash bins.)

--Extra trash: Next date is Feb. 6 (Set out extra trash every four weeks).

Sign up to get trash-pickup reminders via email. Note: The system recognizes our address as 8300 E. Fairmount Drive, that's E. even though we don't use E. in our address.

Pelican Pointe Homeowners Association Board Meeting

Monday, Jan. 14, 6:30 p.m. **NEW TIME**

Windsor Gardens Community Center

All homeowners and residents always welcome. [Meeting Minutes are posted online](#).

Pelican Pointe Lunch Bunch

Wednesday, Jan.16, noon

[Nonna's Chicago Bistro](#), 6603 Leetsdale, Denver

RSVP Sheila Powell @303-280-6943 or spowellmsn@comcast.net if you plan to attend.

High Line Canal Trail Community Meeting

Wednesday, Jan.16, 6-7:30 p.m.

Galilee Baptist Church, 1091 S. Parker Road, Denver

Click these links to learn more about the [project](#) and the [open house](#).

Pelican Pointe Book Group

Thursday, Jan. 17, 6:30 p.m.

Meeting at home of Ellen Kreiman, Unit X102

The book is [Red Notice: A True Story of High Finance, Murder, and One Man's Fight for Justice](#) by Bill Browder. In an act of generational rebellion, Bill Browder, the grandson of a head of the American Communist Party, got an MBA degree from Stanford, and started an investment company in Russia just after the breakup of the Soviet Union.

Investing in Russia, he tells us, was 'like the wild west without sheriffs.' The book details how he earned a fortune investing in post-Soviet Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union. After bumping up against the Soviet oligarchs, Browder's attorney, Sergei Magnitsky was arrested, tortured and beaten to death. With Browder's advocacy, the U.S. later passed the Magnitsky Act, to punish the Russians involved in his death. Browder's book is a great and exciting read...###

Martin Luther King Holiday

Monday, Jan. 21