



The Pelican Brief

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Reminders regarding reporting landscape and maintenance matters

As noted in a recent email, please remember that landscape concerns or requests must be submitted to [Property Manager Mike Workman](#). If it is an emergency, Mike will take appropriate steps. If you have a special planting request, complete the landscape request form found in the Pelican Pointe HOA Portal or website under Shared Documents/Landscaping/PPT Private Planting Request Form. In the Portal, complete the form, then click "Submit New Review." Complete the information and attach the Planting Request form. Submit the request and we will take it from there. You will receive a notice if the request has been approved or denied. Either way, you will have a record, and you will be able to check the status of your request.

Audit planned for irrigation system

Following up on numerous questions last year, the landscaper will conduct a full system audit when they test the irrigation system. Any heads or rotors that need to be replaced will be done during the inspection. If you feel that there is an area that is not being watered, we will add that to the list and it will be inspected by the landscaper during their regular scheduled maintenance day. Unless there is a leak, we will not ask them to come out between visits. Again, this is to stay within the annual budget.

Building and common area maintenance requests

Please do not stop board members or our handyman Jim to report maintenance items. As noted above, residents are strongly encouraged to take advantage of the new Portal reporting system. If you know someone who does not have a computer, they can still call to report the matter, or you can report for a neighbor through the Portal. A key point is that owners should contact Mike Workman --not board members, vendors, nor Jim.

BrightView resumes bi weekly maintenance

Spring has sprung, and the grass really soaked up recent moisture. To stay ahead of pesky weeds, a pre-emergent weed control treatment is being applied. ###

Committee provides landscape progress report

The front entrance landscape project is moving forward. After securing three bids from design firms, the board contracted with The Plantsman. Plantsman owner Keith Funk is working on a design for Pelican Pointe's front entrance and the 'locator map' area which currently has ceramic planters. The landscape committee provided general direction to The Plantsman; use low-maintenance perennials that bloom in succession to provide color from spring through fall, and incorporate "winter interest" with grasses and shrubs. At the May meeting, bids for the landscaping will be presented to the board for approval and installation should happen shortly thereafter.

-- Jann Tracey, Pelican Pointe, Landscape Committee

Volunteers needed to help clean up our 'backyard'

Many of us moved to Pelican Pointe because of its access to the High Line Canal. It's a beautiful place to walk, bike, jog or just sit on a bench and relax. The High Line Canal Conservation District is planning a volunteer cleanup along the trail. Pelican Pointe borders the section referred to as the Windsor Neighborhood, between Dayton and Valentia. Clean up for this area is scheduled for Thursday, May 13, 5-7:30 p.m. Volunteers must register online due to Covid concerns. Volunteers are required to bring their own masks, water and any other necessary items such as snacks. This is a great way to get involved and participate in improvements to the canal.

Click here to [register online](#).

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Generous Donation approved by Board

The Board approved a donation of a park bench to be installed later this year in the common area. This donation is a special request, and one we feel will help enhance our environment and likely to be used by many. Connie Vincent and Molly Chiles wanted to donate a special bench in memory of their parents Susan Million and Chuck Schiell original owners here at Pelican Pointe. The Landscaping Committee will help oversee the style of bench, placement, material costs that will be incurred by the donators. We greatly appreciate this gift that many of us can enjoy and thank Connie and Molly for their generosity.

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Neighborhood Watch from HOA President Deborah Weed

We will be putting up some Neighborhood Watch Signs in our community that were supplied by the District Three Denver Police Department (DPD). These signs are not to alarm anyone but to show possible criminals we are watching and we will call 911 if we see suspicious activity. Signs of this nature do not stop all crimes, but they help to deter potential crime. Our neighbors at The Lighthouse are part of the Neighborhood Watch Program and have these signs displayed in their neighborhood already.

If you would like to be part of the Pelican Pointe Neighborhood Watch Group and/or participate in some online safety trainings, please email us at pelicanpointenwg@gmail.com. We will notify you of upcoming trainings and how you can help keep Pelican Pointe safe.

Auto theft is up by 145 percent in Metro Denver. The DPD asks vehicle owners to adhere to the following proactive steps:

- *Lock car doors and roll up windows*
- *Remove spare keys, fobs and valet keys*
- *Park in your secure garage and keep your garage door closed*
- *Never leave your vehicle running and unattended (puffing)*
- *Utilize an anti-theft device, such as a car alarm and/or steering wheel lock*
- *Remove all valuables that are in sight*
- *Report suspicious behavior*

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The Scoop on Poop, a review of the law and our HOA Rules

The City of Denver and Pelican Pointe love dogs, but what we don't love is when owners don't take responsibility in cleaning up after them. It begs the question: Why do we have to? Here are 5 reasons to pick up after your pet:

1. *In Denver, it's the law.* (First time violation to pick up your dog's excrement is a fine of \$125). See Denver Revised Municipal Code 8-47:

"It shall be unlawful for anyone who possesses, harbors, or is in charge of any dog, cat or other animal not to immediately remove excrement deposited by the animal upon a common thoroughfare, street, sidewalk, play area, park, or upon any private property has not been obtained, and such is hereby deemed to be a public nuisance and prohibited."

2. *It's your responsibility* as a dog owner. No one else will come by and magically pick up after your dog. It's your duty as a pet owner.

3. *Dog excrement may contain harmful organisms* such as Giardia, Parvovirus, Salmonella, and E. coli that can be transmitted to humans and other animals by ingesting contaminated waters.

4. *Dog excrement is not a fertilizer.* Dog excrement actually impedes landscaping efforts. In fact leaving dog poop only encourages other dogs to also mark that spot. Dog poop contributes to the nitrogen burn problem on grass.

5. *Heartworms, whipworms, tapeworms, and hookworms* can all be present in infected animal excrement. It can live in the soil for long periods of time and be transmitted to both humans and animals! Don't think this is affecting you? The Centers for Disease Control recently discovered that 14 percent of Americans tested positive for roundworms.

Pelican Pointe is a beautiful landscaped community and we want to keep it that way. We have been getting many complaints about dog excrement not being picked up by the owner. This is a fine and in our HOA Rules & Regulations, H. Pets section E. IF you see a resident breaking the rules, please report the incident to Mike Workman at: mworkman@weststarmanagement.com

In addition, we have had several complaints of pets being off leash and that also is a Denver Law as well as a Pelican Pointe Rule.

H. Pets

a. No pet shall be allowed in the common areas without an attached leash not more than 10-feet in length and someone controlling the leash, unless the pet is being carried at all times.

We live in a community where we are close to each other and need to be respectful of our neighbors and follow the Denver Laws and Pelican Pointe Rules & Regulations. We love pets, and want to keep them and our neighbors safe.

Thank you for your cooperation.

-- Deborah Weed, Pelican Pointe HOA President

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: Wednesdays, May 5, 12, 19, 26 and Thursday, June 3*

Recycle: Wednesday, May 12, 26.

Large item pick up, next scheduled date is June 16.

Mother's Day

Sunday, May 9

Pelican Pointe Homeowners Association Board Meeting

Monday, May 10, 2021 at 6 p.m.

Pelican Pointe HOA Board meetings will be held via Zoom and conference call, until further notice. Here's the link to join via Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85364164965?pwd=bWlrcnUwczMzUUU0TDYyUjJsZmtmdz09>

Meeting ID: 853 6416 4965 **Passcode:** 140697

High Line Canal clean up

Thursday, May 13, 5-7:30 p.m.

High Line Canal Conservancy volunteer cleanup of the Windsor Neighborhood, between Dayton and Valentia. [Register online](#) or contact Elise@highlinecanal.org

Pelican Pointe Book Group

Thursday, May 20, 6 p.m.

The book group plans to continue meeting on Zoom unless the weather allows us to gather at the picnic area in Pelican Pointe Park. If you are not on our mailing list and wish to join us, please contact June Mullins at junemullins@comcast.net

The book we'll be discussing is ***The Girl With Seven Names*** by Hyeonseo Lee. The book provides extraordinary insight into life in North Korea, under one of the world's most ruthless and secretive dictatorships, one woman's terrifying struggle to avoid capture/repatriation and guide her family to freedom. ###



Memorial Day 2021

***Monday, May 31**

Originally called Decoration Day, this is a day of remembrance for those who have died in military service for the United States. Government offices closed.

Submissions for newsletter invited

Pelican Pointe residents welcome to submit articles and photos to be considered for *The Pelican Brief*. Contact daniellezieg@gmail.com.