

The Quacker



A Newsletter for the Key West Golf Club Homeowners Association

WINTER 2017

Management Notes:

Hello Residents

Welcome to all of our new owners and residents...and I hope everyone is doing well as the summer months approach! Welcome back to the Quacker!!

I would like to update you on some of the progress in the work being done around the community.

As you no doubt have noticed, the cleanup from Hurricane IRMA is still on going. Our tree contractor is continuing to cut dead branches out of trees and reshaping damaged trees. They are also stump grinding, which is almost complete. Our maintenance staff is working on re-building damaged electrical enclosures, sidewalks, and the irrigation system.

We will be doing more re-sodding, fence building and tree planting in areas that were damaged or lost trees. No one wants to think about it, but another hurricane season is also fast approaching. If you are a resident/owner that does not stay for the summer or autumn months, please have a plan for your property in the event that we are faced with another storm. Some things that you may want to check before you leave:

Refrigerators and freezers (please remove anything that may spoil if we lose electricity); look around your yard and secure anything that may blow around during a storm; check your shutters and make sure they are in working condition and have someone available to help if needed. When a storm approaches it will be very difficult to get these things done quickly.

Your plan should include getting all trash out and leaving your house ready for trash pickup. As we learned with IRMA, we may not get trash pickup for weeks and this can cause serious health and safety issues.

We will also be sending out an email soon about coconut removal. If you have your own contractor that does this for you, please have them scheduled to clean your trees in early June.

Some projects you may see going on this summer includes the repaving of Merganser and milling and patching of asphalt around the community.

We are in the process of installing new lighting at the large pool (to meet current code standards) so that we can open up later swimming hours. We are getting bids to repair/replace the waterfall feature that is showing some structural damage and leaking.

The gym area is being reviewed to maximize space and replace old equipment. A number of other projects are also "in the works" and you will be updated as we move along. It may have taken longer than we could imagine, but I think that our owners, residents and staff have done an incredible job to get the community looking great after the storm.

We appreciate the cooperation of the Golf Club as well. Property values remain very good in a tight market. If everyone continues to do their part to maintain their homes, our community will remain a very desirable place to live. As the KWGCHOA mentioned in an earlier email, please look around your homes for deferred maintenance and come up with a plan to correct any issues that exist.

Our documents contain design guidelines that should be followed.

If you have any questions, please contact our Property Manager, *Randy Niles* for guidance. If residents need help finding contractors, the KWGCHOA office may be able to assist you.

Thank you for your hard work and patience over the past eight months. The KWGCHOA Board and staff are here to answer your questions and help to resolve issues that you may have.

Enjoy your summer!

Sincerely,
Bill Buzzi
President, KWGCHOA



KWGCHOA RULES

Noise Restrictions

Loud disruptive noise will not be tolerated at any time. The privacy, peace and enjoyment of all our residents is protected.

- All residents must respect the rights of their neighbors.
- If you are asked by your neighbor or one of our Security personnel to turn down your music or TV, cooperate by doing so.
- Remember this is a compact community and loud noises that are bothersome to our neighbors and others and are prohibited at all times.
- Outside TVs or speakers must be kept at a low level at all times.
- Wind chimes are prohibited.
- After 10:00 p.m. no noise shall be created from inside or outside a dwelling that can be heard from any neighboring dwelling or the common area. No amplified noise is allowed.

Hurricane Information

Hurricane preparation is critical to properly maintain your home and protect your personal property.

- Coconuts must be removed from your palm trees. If coconuts remain after June 1st, the Association will remove them and charge your association account for the service.
- Hurricane shutters may be closed on the rear and sides of your home from May through November, when you are not in residence.
- The front of any home may not be shuttered until there is an official hurricane watch or warning in effect for Key West.
- Homeowners are responsible for shuttering their homes. Make these arrangements well in advance of hurricane season.
- Patio furniture, bicycles, trash cans and gas grills must be tied down or brought inside the home.
- We encourage all residents to listen and comply with Monroe County Evacuation Orders. *Continued on back page*

KWGCHOA PET RULES

Pets are permitted with approval by KWGC HOA and are governed by the following rules:

Pets must be registered with Management. Pet registration forms are online at www.kwgchoa.com

You must supply a picture of your pet and written proof or a picture of a rabies tag indicating vaccination is current.

Noxious or offensive behavior by pets will not be tolerated within the development. Substantiated complaints will result in the KWGCHOA withdrawing their approval for the pet.

Pets must be on a leash at all times while outdoors and the owner must have control of the leash.

When walking your dog, you must carry a pooper scooper or a plastic bag with you, so you can immediately pick up any droppings. Several Dog Stations are provided for disposal of droppings and are equipped with materials for you to clean up after your pet.

Respect your neighbor's right to quiet enjoyment by making sure your dog's barking does not disturb them.

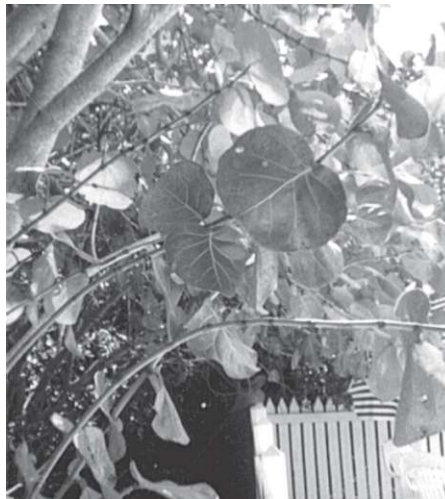
Do not leave food outside for your pets. The wildlife will come up on your porch to eat from the bowl.

Repeated violations of any of the above rules will result in losing your privilege of having a pet.

Monthly Statements

Please look at your MONTHLY STATEMENTS to make sure your account(s) are up-to-date.

Please, if your billing address or email has changed please fill out the address update form that can be found on our website www.kwgchoa.com under documents.



Sea Grape (*Coccoloba uvifera*)

Those big round leafy trees are called Sea Grape. They are a small spreading evergreen tree that is native to South Florida and can grow up to 30 feet although 15-20 feet is more common.

The leaves are circular, about eight inches in diameter with reddish veins. The whole leaf turns red when it drops. The tree grows well in direct sun, but should not be planted too close to buildings. They prefer well-drained sandy soil and are very salt tolerant which makes them desirable in the Keys.

Drought conditions don't bother the sea grape unless they are severe.

The tree has small whitish flowers, and produces edible grape-like fruit clusters if you like to make into jelly. They need pruning, generally during the winter to develop even branching and a round straight trunk.

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Clarence S. Higgs

"County Commissioner Clarence S. Higgs died suddenly last night at his home, 517 Grinnell Street. He was 59 years old on June 7.

Higgs was one of the most active workers in behalf of organized labor in Monroe County. He was serving as Business Manager of the local Carpenters' Union, a position he held for 22 years at the time of his death.

In 1944 he entered politics in Monroe County and was elected as County Commissioner from the third district. He was re-elected in 1960 for his fifth consecutive four-year term.

He looked upon the Key West International Airport and the White Street pier as two of his leading accomplishments as a commissioner.

Higgs was a member of the Elks, Moose, Hi Noon Lions Club and Dade Lodge, F and AM, Cayo Hueso Grotto, Key West Consistory, Florida Peace Officers Association and Mahi Temple of Shriners."

-Key West Citizen July 17, 1961



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IGUANA COSTUME CONTEST

This year the contest will be held in conjunction with Fourth of July. All participants are urged to get an early start for this event. All entries will be judged on Originality, Appropriateness and Creativity. Prizes will be awarded for Best Interpretation of Theme, Gaudiest, Best Couple and Best Use of Native Materials.

If you would like to volunteer for or sponsor this exciting event, call Michael at 293-0301.

Handicapped Parking Rules

Sec. 70-122. Violation of handicapped parking spaces. The penalty for violation of F.S. § 316.1955 or 316-1956 shall be a fine of \$250.00. A surcharge may be added in accordance with section 70-127.

All fines collected pursuant to this section shall be deposited in a special account to be known as the handicapped parking fine account to be used in the following manner:

- (1) One-third shall be used to defray expenses for the administration of this section.
- (2) Two-thirds shall be used to provide funds to improve accessibility and equal opportunity to qualified physically disabled persons in the county or city and to provide funds to conduct public awareness programs in the county or city concerning persons who have disabilities.

(Code 1986, § 63.19; Ord. No. 03-01, § 2, 1-7-2003)



USE THEM OR LOSE THEM

The season is upon us and all should take necessary precautions. We cannot stress enough the importance of the removal of coconuts. Letters have been sent to owners reminding them to have coconuts removed.

The KWGCHOA will re-inspect the trees and coconuts in trees will be removed and the owners will be charged accordingly.



When you are walking around this beautiful facility, if you see a weed that needs to be pulled, pull it.

It would be wonderful if Maintenance could do it all, but they are swamped as it is. Just do your part to help it look nice here.



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will be next,
and when?

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Chico's Cantina

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We all know where this popular family-run restaurant is but how of you have actually eaten there?

You are in for a treat. The Mexican food they serve is *NOT SPICY HOT* unless you request it that way. Daily specials are worth paying attention to and the more unknown and unusual menu suggestions are definitely superior. Prices are reasonable, families are welcome and parking is adequate.

They are open every night til 9:30 pm. And check out the Garden dining areas, too. And they do take-out.

Chico says "Conserve water, drink tequila."



The little pool has been trimmed, painted, updated and cleaned, and is heated. The joys of living in Key West.

KWGCHOA RULES, continued

- Notify Monroe County Emergency Management if you have special needs. The number is 305-292- 4591.

- Notify KWGCHOA Management of the party who is responsible for taking care of your shutters in your absence.

Yard Maintenance
We take great pride in our community's extensive landscaping. Please help us maintain this beautiful, common asset.

- All yards must meet specific landscape requirements which are available at the Management Office or online at www.kwgchoa.com, documents/ Design Guidelines, sections III and VII.

- Yards will be inspected to make sure they are properly maintained.

- Violation notices will be sent if homes are not properly maintained.

- If no action is taken and Management is not contacted, yards not maintained will be subject to cleanup by KWGCHOA for a fee.

- Your front and back yard must be maintained year-round. If someone other than the owner is maintaining your yard you must provide Management with the name of that party.

- Yard waste pickup information is on page 7 of this booklet.

DO NOT PLACE YARD WASTE ON THE GROUND IN FRONT OF YOUR PROPERTY



If you are looking for a unique gift, local artist and one-time Golf Club resident, Karen Beauprie, would love to paint a watercolor portrait of your home.

Portraits are painted either from photographs or on the spot. Samples can be viewed on at www.beausartstudio.com
An 11" x 14" matted painting is only \$400.00.

Contact Karen at 847 687-2667



BUSINESS HOURS

Our policy on Moving Vans and Trucks, and Contractor Equipment and Trucks stays the same.

Daily from 8:00 am to 10:00 pm for moving (be sure to check with the Office); and 8:00 am to 5:00 pm for contractors and others.

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