

MARINERS VILLAGE III

December 2017

**Happy
Holidays!**

LANAI LIGHT CONTEST



I am sure many of you drive around our neighborhood to see all of the decorations put out during the holidays. Show your Holiday spirit and LIGHT it up Mariners Village!!!

To give you a little incentive, Touchstone Properties is again, sponsoring our annual lanai light contest. Thanks guys!!

Judges will be around on Thursday, December 21st after sundown to do the difficult job of picking the winners for our annual holiday light contest. **Don't forget to turn on your lights.**

AIR BNB

Airbnb and other vacation rental sites continue to grow in popularity. However, please be reminded that Mariners Village Three does not allow for short term or transient rentals less than 30 days. Additionally, chapter 21 of the Revised Ordinances of the City and County of Honolulu (aka Land Use Ordinance) also prohibits you from renting or offering to rent your unit for less than 30 days. Residents who advertise their units for transient use will be subject to fines up to \$100 per day per article 1, paragraph 3 of the house rules. Further, the Association may seek legal action against any owners who violate the association rules.

POOL CLOSURE

We have some good and some bad news for the community. The bad news is we will be closing the swimming pool between February 12th, 2018 to April 27th, 2018. The good news is that we are renovating the swimming pool and surrounding stone decking. Even more good news is that given the fiscally responsible Board of Directors at Mariners Village Three, this project is already fully funded.

This renovation will include the following:

- Drain all the water from the pool. Replace all tiles on the bottom of the pool
- Replace and install new LED underwater pool lights.
- Replace and install three new stairs for climbing out of the pool.
- Replace all pool handrails
- Replace and install a new coping around the entire edge of the pool.
- Clean and grout the stone around the pool and stairs.
- Finally, add an enhancing sealer on the stone decking.

Our pool is well used by all and is an asset that we want to keep working and looking great. During this renovation, we will NOT be accepting reservations for the Recreation Center. We know that this is inconvenient, but we also know that our swimming pool is our crown jewel and must be maintained to last a lifetime.

Great Neighbors

Early in November, we had a unit catch on fire. This unit was being renovated, so nobody was home at the time. Surrounding neighbors smelled smoke and curiously started walking the property looking for the source. One by one, neighbors came out to investigate the source of the smoke smell.

The source of the smell was found and the collection of neighbors could see through the gate of the unit, that the kitchen was fully engulfed in fire. One called 911 and the other group of neighbors worked together to get into the secured lanai area of the burning unit.

Once there, they found the garden hose in the patio and pulled another one from the neighboring unit over the fence. Thinking quickly, a neighbor broke the kitchen window and began spraying the fire. It was reported by these heroic neighbors, that you could feel the heat of the fire once you stepped into the lanai. They continued to spray the fire until it was only smoldering.

HFD arrived on scene and went into action. They pulled a hose from their pumper truck down the street to a fire hydrant to make a connection, while other firefighters ran to the burned unit. Because of the efforts of our brave community members, HFD reported that they did not need to connect the pumper truck up and instead used a little foam to fully extinguish the fire.

HFD reported that had the community members not acted as quickly and decisively as they did, the unit definitely would have sustained much more damage, and quite possibly the rest of the building would have been involved in fire as well.

Thank you so much to the men and women that rose to the call that night and helped out their neighbors. You are all a great example of what being a good neighbor is and we are all very proud of you and glad to be your neighbors.

Criminal Activity

It appears that property crimes (burglary and general thefts) are on the rise in Hawaii Kai. It is very important that we, as a community, make ourselves less attractive to criminals. Things like, clearing out your carports as mentioned in this newsletter. Locking your gates, doors and windows when you are not home. Not leaving items of value in your parked vehicles. Locking your parked vehicles. All these things we are aware of, it's just that we all get a little complacent as time goes by without any incidents. Keep in mind that we have had cars broken into and stolen from our neighborhood. We have had items taken from our carports and we have had apartments burglarized. Below are some things a burglar won't tell you.

- Of course I look familiar. I was here just last week cleaning your carpets, painting your shutters, or delivering your new refrigerator.
- Those yard toys your kids leave out always make me wonder what type of gaming system you may have.
- Yes, I do look for newspapers piled up on the driveway. I might leave a pizza flyer on your front door to see how long it takes you to remove it.
- It's raining, you're fumbling with your umbrella, and you forget to lock your door – understandable. But understand this: I don't take a day off because of bad weather.
- I always knock first. If you answer, I may ask for directions or offer to clean your gutters.
- Do you really think I won't look in your sock drawer? I always check dresser drawers, the bedside table and the medicine cabinet...I even look in the freezer.
- I'll give you one helpful hint: I almost never go into the kids' room.

- You're right: I might not have enough time to break into that safe where you keep your valuables. But if it is not bolted down, I'll take it with me.
- An audible TV or radio can be a better deterrent than the best alarm system.
- Sometimes, I carry a clipboard, or dress like a lawn guy and carry a rake.
- I'll break a window to get in, even if it makes a little noise. If your neighbor hears one loud sound, he'll stop what he's doing and wait to hear it again. If he doesn't hear it again, he'll just go back to what he was doing. It's human nature.
- I love looking in your windows. I'm looking for signs that you are home, and for flat screen TV's or gaming systems I'd like. I'll drive or walk through your neighborhood at night, before you close the blinds, just to pick my targets.
- Avoid announcing your vacation on your Facebook page...It's easier than you think to look up your address.
- If you don't answer when I knock, I'll try the door and occasionally I hit the jackpot and walk right in.
- Architects are so cool...jalousie windows right next to the front door...love it! Good thing it is so annoying for you to lock the deadbolt...and I am so glad you did not buy the deadbolt that is "keyed" on both sides.

Let's all do our best and be akamai when it comes to protecting your most valuable asset.



CARPORTS

Below is our House Rule regarding the condition your carport is to be kept.

Article III – Automobile and Parking Areas

8. Carport Stalls. Carport parking stalls shall only be used for the parking of motorized vehicles.

A. Storage/disassembly of registered vehicles in the respective parking stalls shall be maintained in an orderly and neat appearance by the Owner/Tenant. The Resident Manager may request that a stored vehicle be covered.

B. Storage will only be allowed in enclosed storage compartments built in accordance with the approved Architectural Guidelines.

C. Recreational equipment may be hung from the garage ceiling, provided such equipment is maintained in a tidy condition.

D. A violation of this section shall result in one warning. A failure to cure said violation in a timely fashion or a repeated violation may result in a fine of \$100.

Please be advised that Beginning January 15, 2018, Mariners Village Three will be conducting inspections of all parking and carport areas. Violations to the above House Rule will be addressed.

It is our hopes that residents will take this time to clear out their carports. We are hopeful that nobody will wait to be told and that those that are currently in violation be brought back into compliance. Our goal is not to FINE people into compliance, but rather for people to take a moment and seriously look at their carports and ask themselves a few questions.

Is my carport adding value to the neighborhood or devaluing it?

Is my carport detracting from the outward appearance of the community?

Is my carport attracting and inviting thieves to walk our property looking for items to steal?

We know that these carports did not suddenly become the way they are and that it took some time. Given this, the Association is giving over a month to whip them back into shape. Also, if you contact the managers, the staff can pick up large items from your carport and dispose of them during the normal bulky item pick up. Items like couches, dressers, unapproved storage containers, appliances and other items, which are not to be in the carports

If you have ANY questions regarding your specific carport, please call the managers at 395-8522 and they will guide you in the right direction about what is allowed and what is not.

DOG WASTE

Every Newsletter we mention the issue of pet owners NOT picking up after their pets. This Newsletter is no different. PLEASE PICK UP YOUR PET WASTE!!!!

NOISE

Keep in mind that noise travels quite well in our community. Given this, be mindful of the noise you make on our walkways, driveways and parking areas. Pay special attention to the level of your TV or level of talking in the evening hours. Do your part in bringing peace to our neighborhood and be mindful of the noise you generate.

Rubbish Bins

Christmas brings a lot of treasures and a lot of rubbish. Please breakdown all boxes. When throwing away your rubbish, do your best to place the trash inside the bins as neatly as possible to maximize the capacity of the bins. Large items, place alongside the bins. Old trees that DO NOT have flocking or tinsel, can be left next to the rubbish bins.

TOWING

Keep in mind that ACE Towing performs random patrols of our property to ensure our parking areas are not being misused and our driveways and roadways are clear. Vehicles that are parked in Guest Parking after 2:00am MUST have a PARKING PASS. If you are unable to attain a parking pass for your guest, then they must park on the public street. The towing of the vehicle is not only a massive inconvenience, but is quite expensive as well.



TANDEM PARKING / OBSTRUCTING OUR ROADWAYS

Please be mindful and DO NOT tandem park your vehicle behind your carport or parking stalls. Also, DO NOT park on our driveways and/or roadways. We do have Guest Parking Stalls around the project for guests to use. If no Guest stall is available, then the vehicle must be parked on a City and County Road. ACE Towing will be closely monitoring our project, given the amount of complaints that have come in regarding Tandem Parking and Obstructing our roadways. Please help by parking in accordance with our House Rules.

NEW OWNERS AND RESIDENTS

Welcome to the Mariner's Village Three Community. As new Owners and Residents, it is very important that you have a set of our House Rules and Register with the Resident Managers. To get a copy or to Register, you may call the Managers at 395-8522 and make arrangements to pickup the House Rules and/or Registration Form or you can e-mail your request to rmmv3@hotmail.com and we will send them to you straight away. Again, Welcome to the Community.