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BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Cal Zissel, President
Mark Guitarini, Vice President
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Dennis Gerardi, Treasurer
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NEXT BOARD MEETING:

ANNUAL MEETING
November 17, 2011, Call to Order 6:00P.M.
Holiday Inn on the Bay
1355 North Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA

MONTHLY COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Social: 1st Thursday @ 4:30P.M.
Building: 2nd Friday @ 8:00A.M.
Landscape: 4th Thursday (every 2 months) @
4:00P.M.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

November 17, 2011-Annual Meeting
6:00p.m. at the Holiday Inn on the Bay
1355 North Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA

Christmas Party
Saturday, December 10th
5:30p.m.-8:00p.m. in the Grande South Lounge
Space is limited—sign up with the Social Committee!

SB 150: CC&R AMENDMENT BALLOT DEADLINE

All association members at the Grande South have been mailed a ballot to vote on a proposed CC&R Amendment for rental restrictions.

The deadline to turn in your ballot is December 1, 2011.

If you have not yet voted and need a replacement ballot, please contact the Front Desk or Management Office at (619) 236-1122.

BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS:

BUDGET APPROVED

At the October Board of Directors Meeting, the proposed draft budget was reviewed and approved. Association members will be happy to know there will be no assessment increase for 2012!

BIKE STORAGE - IS YOUR BIKE REGISTERED?

In the Open Forum section of the Board Meeting, a question was raised regarding the Grande South's crowded bike storage rooms which contain some bikes that are rarely or never used *and* are not registered.

Many residents are currently on a waiting list to be granted a spot in the bike storage room. The Grande South Security has kept a diligent list of registered bikes, and has reported a list of those that are not registered.

Unregistered bicycles will be removed from the Bike Room by Management in order to gain more space. If you are uncertain whether or not your bicycle is registered, please see the Front Desk or Jim Smith, Security Patrol Supervisor.

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BUILDING MAINTENANCE:

NEW COMMUNITY ENTRANCE LIGHTS

Watch for the installation of the new community entrance lights that will be installed in the driveway center island! The foliage will now be well lit and the new LED lighting system will reduce long term costs and energy use.

FIRE SYSTEM TESTING THANK YOU

Thank you to all of the residents and guests of the Grande South for your patience and compliance with the mandatory Annual Fire System Visual and Audible Inspection recently completed. Management and the Board of Directors are aware that the access required to your unit and the audible alarm testing may have been highly disruptive and we assure you that we did everything within our power to minimize the impact.

If any repairs are needed for the sprinkler system in your unit, you will be notified shortly.

STAFF HOLIDAY APPRECIATION FUND

In years past, it has been customary that residents of the Grande South graciously donated to a staff holiday appreciation fund in recognition of their hard work and customer service to the Grande South residents. The Board has asked Management to request your generous consideration again this year.

The Staff Holiday Appreciation fund is strictly for the benefit of the Front Desk staff, janitorial staff, security staff and maintenance staff, a total of 17 staff members serving the Grande South.

If you feel you would like to recognize the staff for their hard work and customer service, please make a check payable to THE GRANDE SOUTH HOA and leave it with Tom Freeley, General Manager, or Devon Miller, Assistant Manager. Checks need to be received by COB Monday, December 5, 2011 in order for your generosity to be included in the holiday appreciation fund. On behalf of the staff, thank you in advance for your consideration and thoughtfulness.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE REMINDERS

The holiday season is here! Please remember that Thanksgiving Day and the day after Thanksgiving will be treated as weekend days in regard to building access allowed for vendors, deliveries and moves—**no access will be allowed.**

On holidays that fall on a weekday, the building has less staff on duty than would normally be available to assist in any of the above mentioned circumstances.

Thank you in advance for your understanding and assistance in this matter—it is sincerely appreciated!

COMMON AREA WIRELESS INTERNET

Wireless is finally on site! In an effort to offer our residents the most in accommodations and service, the Board approved the installation of wireless capability in the second floor conference room, the lobby area and the lounge. There is NO access key required. We hope this helps keep you wired...to the Internet that is.

COMPLETE A FITNESS CENTER SURVEY!

As you may be aware, the Grande South has a newly created ad hoc Fitness Center Committee for the purpose of creating short term and long term plans to improve the amenity. Those plans may include replacing, adding and/or taking away some equipment. Clearly, the Fitness Center is a valuable component of the quality of life at the Grande South and the committee wants to know what you think!

If you are a resident that frequents the Grande South Fitness Center, please take a moment to complete a brief survey! **The deadline to turn your survey in is Friday, November 11th.**

Surveys are available in the Fitness Center, at the Front Desk and online at www.thegrandesd.org. Please turn in all written surveys to the Front Desk.

LUGGAGE CART RETURN

Last month, two additional luggage carts were purchased for the convenience of all residents. One luggage cart is now located on each parking level as well as the ground floor near the elevator lobbies.

Every resident knows how frustrating it is to be in need of a cart but unable to locate one. Out of courtesy to your neighbors, please be sure to return the carts to their proper respective locations.

GARAGE REMINDERS:

SLOW DOWN & TURN ON HEADLIGHTS

Whoa, slow down!

Many of us have experienced a scary moment or two in the garage with speeding cars--it can be difficult to see what's coming around those sharp corners. Help avoid potential accidents and promote safety by driving slowly, and by using your headlights while inside the garage. Also, keep your radio turned down- this will allow you to hear an approaching vehicle.

Thank you for your participation in maintaining the safety of the parking garages!

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