

Grand Champions Villas

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

When we lost our President Tom Jordan last fall the Vice President, Ed Powley stepped up to take his place as President. With the emergence of Covid19 he must stay in Canada and he has a lot to take care of now with his business. He was willing to try to do everything from there, but preferred to step down and appoint someone closer. The Board voted to accepted his resignation and appointed me, Bonnie Barry, to fill in for the rest of his term.

The Corona Virus has made a huge difference in daily lives here at Grand Champions Villas. It is very quiet; the pools are closed and we have only about 25% of our units occupied. The Governor has basically stopped all condo rentals by requiring a 14-day self-quarantine for anyone arriving in the islands and has declared Condo Rentals Non-essential in order to keep track of visitors who might try to break the quarantine. People must stay either at their home if they are residents or at a hotel where they can be monitored. Many of our homeowners have had to cancel and refund a great deal of deposits and even final payments on rentals, and at this time we don't know if this will go on past the end of May.

Of course, this is a problem as rentals pay for the bills and we have had a couple of owners ask if we are going to lower the Homeowner fees. Unfortunately, our expenses do continue and the amount of your dues is based on the budget to operate which does not go away. Your board is looking for any expense that we could cut back short of laying off any staff. At this time, we will waive late fees for the rest of the year. Please contact us to advise us when you will be late on payments.

We will get through this with our amazing staff and positive attitude and I hope we will have better news for our next Newsletter!

Aloha,

Bonnie Barry
President

Wailea Update

- Sidewalk on Wailea Ike Drive have been finished, connecting to the sidewalk fronting the Marriott's Residence Inn.
- 19 suites being added to the Andaz should be completed in Mid-March 2021.
- New hotel at the corner near GCV is scheduled to be wrapped up by Thanksgiving 2021.
- Four Seasons is discussing the possible expansion of Ferraro's.
- Wailea Tennis Club has received the approval for Pickleball on the old grass courts. They also have plans in the works for a new restaurant where Joe's was located.
- Wailea Golf Estates II has plans to build 2-4 new homes and will be finishing lot 8 sometime in July.
- Shops of Wailea remodel, phase 1, should be final around July.

Congratulations New Owners:

Ariel & Ana Marie Manalo, Unit 42
Jon & Jennifer Schimke, Unit 129
Michael Mehat & Mankam Singh, Unit 130
Xiongjin Fu & Jian Liang, Unit 147

Hurricane Season

Maui's Hurricane season is June thru November and it is important to be prepared. This is a good time to replace older canned goods with newer products. Think about donating the older unexpired canned goods to the food banks whom would greatly appreciate the contributions.

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HURRAY FOR MANGO SEASON

How to Ripen and Store

Unripen mangos will continue to ripen at room temperature, becoming sweeter and softer over several days.

To speed up ripening, place mangos in a paper bag at room temperature.

Once ripe, mangos should be moved to the refrigerator; ripe mangos may be stored for up to five days in the refrigerator.

Mangos can be peeled, cubed and placed in an airtight container in the refrigerator for several days or in the freezer for up to six months.

LAHAINA NOON

The Sun passes directly overhead twice during the year in the tropics. On these two days, at local noon, the Sun will be exactly overhead, and an upright object such as flagpoles will have no shadow. This phenomenon only occurs in the tropics; the Sun is never directly overhead in any other part of the planet.

Here in the Islands a term we often use for zenith noon is Lahaina noon. This is a modern term, selected by Bishop Museum in a 1990 contest held to select a name for the zenith noon phenomenon. The name Lahaina is said to be rooted in the meaning, “cruel sun,” and while the sun in the Islands is almost never cruel, it can be pretty intense as it shines directly down from the zenith.

Kaunakakai, Molokai	May 25 12:25pm	July 17 12:34pm
Lana’i City, Lana’i	May 23 12:25pm	July 18 12:34pm
Lahaina, Maui	May 24 12:24pm	July 18 12:33pm
Kahului, Maui	May 24 12:23pm	July 18 12:32pm
Hana, Maui	May 23 12:21pm	July 18 12:30pm

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Manager’s report

Marnie and I have been in the office but have been closed to walk-in traffic. We ask everyone to please make contact with us before approaching the office so we can properly prepare. Our staff is required to wear a mask when in the presence of others, to wash hands frequently and to practice social distancing. Until otherwise mandated we will be doing our part to follow the Hawaii Emergency Health orders.

With less than 40 units occupied in the complex we have an almost “Neighborhood Watch” atmosphere. Everyone is very aware of who their neighbors are. This eerie lack of people makes new faces seem more like “strangers” than before. Per the GCV House Rules, please make sure the office is given the name and length of anticipated stay before someone is allowed to stay overnight in your unit.

When Richard and Scott are not doing part-time “security” they continue with miscellaneous building maintenance and the pool buildings and decks are being painted. Just as soon as the order to keep our pool areas closed is lifted, we will be ready for sunbathers and swimmers. Of course, there will be some new rules and we hope to spell those out for you in the near future.

Many of you have taken this unfortunate situation as an opportunity to spruce up at your condominium. This is encouraged and we only ask that you let us know. Almost everything requires a form to be completed and placed on file with the office prior to beginning work. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Mahalo, Toni Fowler



**MAHALO from the GCV Staff,
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