

THE GRAPEVINE FALL 2020 EDITION 344

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

First, I want to welcome our snowbirds back and wish everyone a safe and healthy season. We have exciting news, including pictures and an update from Sharon McCloskey about the progress on our pool renovation. But there is one other pressing issue I need to bring to your attention:

YOUR COMMUNITY NEEDS YOUR TALENTS!!

Every year, the Board of Directors holds elections and this year is no exception. We are especially eager to bring in new homeowners who have fresh ideas, skills, and experience that will translate to meet the Board's varying needs. These include management, negotiating, and bidding experience as well as other important expertise.

The 2020 election will take place on December 15th at a special session to be held right before our usual monthly Board meeting. Ballots will be mailed out to every homeowner ahead of time and you must either mail back your ballot to:

**Delray Villas Plat 2
13290 Via Vulcanus
Delray Beach, FL 33484**

Or, if you prefer, you can hand it in personally at that special meeting. (If you will not be able to attend, you may designate a proxy to hand it in for you.)

Each Board member serves a three-year term and is assigned a specific area of responsibility. This year there are two vacancies which need to be permanently filled.

In order to be eligible, you must send a short written notice of your intent to run by November 5th, either by mail to:

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OR by email to: **dvplat2@gmail.com**

You will then have until November 9th to send a short bio (one or two paragraphs in writing) highlighting the expertise you have that would make you a good candidate. This second communication must also be sent by mail or email to one of the above addresses and **MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 9th**. If you would rather, you may include your qualifications along with your letter of intent.

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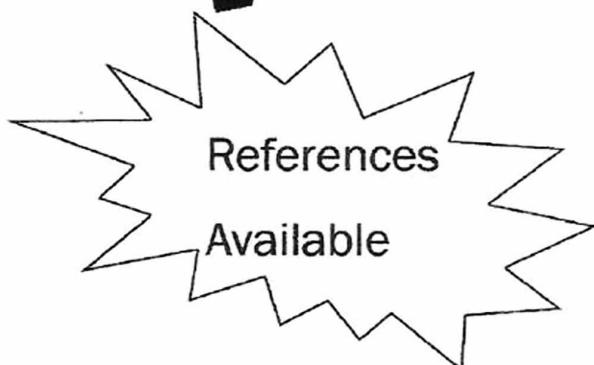
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24...Diana Marie Lucenti 25...Catherine Patti 26...Karen Pyron

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5....Arlene Nudelman 6...Gina Lopes 7...Joseph Pino
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20...Carmen Nicolaas 28...Elliot King

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26...Teresa McCormick 29...Nina Colquitt 30...Fran Appel

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In Memorium

Delray Villas Plat 2 mourns the passing of Nanette Ginsberg, a dear friend and neighbor.

Web News www.delrayvillasplat2.com

Visit the "Documents" tab for homeowners only that includes our Bylaws, Rec Association Rules and Regulations, and our Phone Book. The password is by request only. To receive your website password, please send an email to: dvplat2@gmail.com We will need your name and address to verify that you are a homeowner, and you must agree that the password will not be shared.

Visit our new tab, "About Our Homes" to see floor plans and interesting facts about the different model homes in DV Plat 2. The "ARB" tab has downloadable forms for home improvement, guidelines, and paint samples.

Want to post a message on our bulletin board? Fill out the info on the "Bulletin Board" tab. Please, no political or opinion posts.



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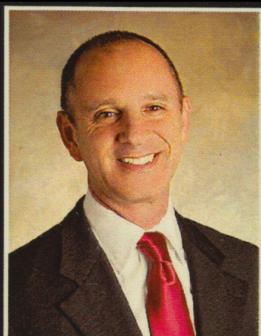
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TO YOUR HEALTH Wendy Karger

Sweatpants forever?

According to an article in the New York Times in September, “It’s difficult, in retrospect, to pinpoint when exactly panic about coronavirus took hold in the United States, but March 12th stands out.” Suddenly stores ran out of canned goods (and toilet paper); streets emptied of crowds and cars; Tom Hanks had just tested positive, and life as we’d known it took a precipitous turn into the Twilight Zone.

Since then, things have somewhat eased. But some trends have become part of the landscape of our brave new world.

From Castle Farm, the UK’s largest lavender grower, to Pleasant Valley Lavender Farm in New Jersey, sales of natural calming concoctions have gone off the charts. While lavender has long been touted as a remedy for anxiety, insomnia, and various other ailments, there is no scientific backing for these claims. It just feels better!



Pet adoption services are doing a land-office business. Many people, finding themselves cloistered at home alone, came to the realization that a live-in, loving companion, who would never remark that ‘you look fat in that,’ would invariably lift their spirits—and they did!

One of the most visible changes is in how we look. Lipstick sales have plummeted. (Who needs Foxy Fuchsia under a mask?) At the same time, home hair dyes have reached record highs. (Only her hairdresser knows for sure!)

Staying at home hardly requires dressing up, even for work. When you interact virtually, you can be in your pajama bottoms and slippers, as long as the camera stays focused on your face. So, it stands to reason that, in April, clothing sales fell 79% in the US, the largest drop on record, while purchases of sweatpants went up 80%!

So, where do we go from here?

As comfort foods continue to fly off supermarket shelves and elastic-waist pants predominate, the long-term effects could ultimately prove devastating. When it comes time to get back into our old street clothes, we may find ourselves needing mega doses of those calming lavender potions—scientific evidence to the contrary!





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Pool News

Sharon McCloskey

After a long, slow start, we are now in the “filling the pool stage.” It has taken longer to get here than originally anticipated. We still have a way to go but hopefully the pool will be back in service by mid-October.

When we approved the resurfacing, we were told it would take approximately 45 days after we received our Permit. Then came COVID with County offices not fully staffed and the process taking us 4+months (4/19 to 9/3) to get our Permit. (We tracked it on the building website.) Also, Atlantic experienced COVID among some of their workers and people had to be shifted around with a smaller workforce. Each aspect of the project is done by specific workers trained for their specific job.

Now that the pool is filled, these are the steps I have been told will be done:

- The pool will be brushed for 5 days
- Chemicals added and stabilized over a period of days
- New ladder installed at deep end
- Inspection

Barring anything else, this could take up to 2-3 weeks, bringing us to mid-October.

I have been monitoring the progress on a daily basis. For those who think the area looks “trashy,” as in any construction job there is a major cleanup at the end. Be assured that when the pool is open the area will be clean and free of any debris.

Thankfully the Rec pool has been open and available from 7 to 7 each day. Many developments still do not have their pools open, due to the virus. We should count our blessings to have had the Rec pool to use.

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When you have a problem, please refer to this list to get in touch with the appropriate Board member for the specific area. You'll save a lot of time, aggravation and extra phone calls. Thank you for your help. Please call President. George Kuhn if you cannot reach the appropriate Board Member!

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Contact them M-F, 10am-5pm for an Application For Addition or Alteration form for work planned for the exterior of your home and for paint colors.

Download forms at: <https://www.delrayvillasplat2.com/architectural-review-boardhome-improvement.html>. Applications are also available in the pool house lobby.

BOARD MEETINGS 2020:

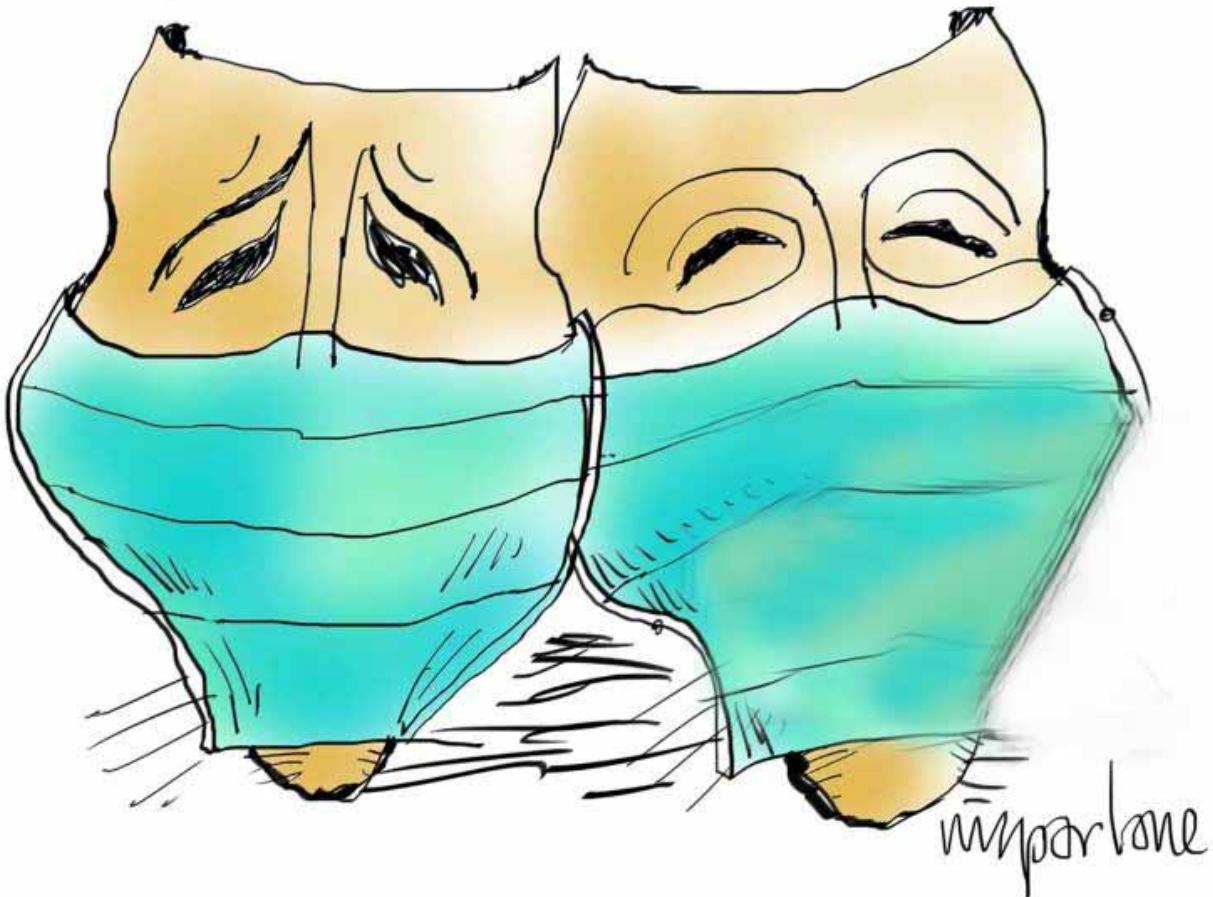
January 28	February 25
March 24	April 28
May 26	June 23
July 28	August 25
September 22	October 27
November 24	December 15**

Meetings are next to the Plat 2 pool at 7:30PM until further notice

**Special meeting directly after regular meeting to elect new Board members for 2021

Remember that everyone is encouraged to attend ALL meetings. There will be time set aside at each meeting for you to have your issues and concerns addressed. Please indicate your wish to speak on the sign-in sheet on the dais when you arrive. We want to hear from you and also keep you informed about Board plans.

Welcome to a New Season



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