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Fairfield Neighborhood Newsletter

New Paint Schemes Approved

New colors have been added to the current paint schemes to increase options for our homes. There are now five additional colors to choose from, including two shades of green, two shades of blue and one salmon color.

More information will be available on specifications through the association website. Please remember to get advanced approval prior to painting.

Architectural Approvals

If you are considering any exterior modification or improvement to your home, please remember that you must submit an Architectural Request Form and receive approval. Association architectural guidelines are designed to enhance the neighborhood and our property values. Architectural approval is required for improvements such as:

- Painting
- Exterior Lighting
- Patio Covers
- Fencing
- Screen Doors
- Other Improvements visible from the street or adjacent homes, or those covered under HOA regulations
- Windows
- Garage Doors

Before you start any exterior improvements, sign contracts or make any commitments, please contact The Emmons Company to discuss your planned improvements and for an Architectural Request Form or it can be printed from the association's website.

Please allow at least 60 days from submittal of an Architectural Request and don't start any work until you have received approvals. We'll try to move as quickly as possible to review and approve or provide comments to your submittal. Failure to receive advance approvals may result in increased costs and delay for your improvements.

Pool News

- ❖ The spa is heated and pool area is open for residents throughout the year.
- ❖ Pool heating will resume on Memorial Day.
- ❖ Pets (other than service dogs) are not allowed in the Pool Area. Pet fur clogs the drains, causing increased repair costs and homeowner association dues.
- ❖ A reminder that children under the age of 14 are not allowed at the pool without adult supervision.
- ❖ Allowing non-residents to use your pool card is a violation of HOA rules and may result in revocation of pool privileges.
- ❖ Please report any illegal activity taking place in the pool area by calling the Camarillo Police at (805) 654-9511.

Home of the Quarter

Congratulations to our homeowner at
5630 Calle Sencillo
who receives a \$50.00 Home Depot gift card
as Fairfield's Home of the Quarter as an
encouragement and recognition for
demonstrating pride of ownership.

*This is judged based on upkeep,
conformance with association rules and
contribution to neighborhood appeal.*

**Fairfield
Neighborhood
Homeowners
Association**

Upcoming Dates

- Jan 15** Last day to remove exterior holiday decorations
Jan 25 HOA meeting
Feb 22 HOA meeting
Mar 22 HOA meeting
Apr 26 HOA meeting

*HOA Meetings held at
6:30pm
5713 Calle Pamaro*

Association Website

www.FairfieldNeighborhood.org

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Holiday Decorations

Please remove all exterior holiday decorations by:

Saturday, January 15th

Lawn Improvements

Starting this past October, the landscapers have been scalping the front and common area lawns to reduce the thickness of the grass that has built up over the years. Turf scalping gets the turf height to a desirable level where the water will get to the root system quicker which in return will reduce the amount of water used as well as allow for more efficient watering. This is necessary to provide healthier, better-looking grass.

Note that the lawns will look brown and unattractive for a few months. In early spring, the lawns will look better than ever and allow us to save on water bills.

Other Planned Improvements

- ❖ The Board is working with the landscaping company to assess if the WaterWise sprinkler heads and/or controllers endorsed and subsidized by Camrosa Water District would be good choice for our HOA in our efforts to conserve water and lower the water bills.
- ❖ The Board is considering new locked mailboxes for the community to prevent mail theft and also save on maintenance for the individual homeowner. A proposal has been requested from the Camarillo Post Office.
- ❖ A fence painting party is being discussed as a combined social and working event in the community. We will repaint all fences and gates towards the streets with the goal of "dressing up" the whole neighborhood and preserving home values.

Homeowner Tip

If you have oil stains on your driveway, you can sprinkle kitty litter on the stain. With a little scrubbing, the oil should come right out.

Neighborhood Watch

We continue to have issues with crime in our neighborhood. In addition to burglaries, vandalism and graffiti, the latest is with delivery packages being stolen from porches.

We are actively enlisting your help to make Fairfield a safer neighborhood. We would like to get our Neighborhood Watch Program formalized. The police alone cannot keep our neighborhood safe. We need block captains and volunteers to make this happen. If you would like to help, please contact Judi at (805) 987-1276 or J2Bal@msn.com. Protect your property and help make your community safer by being more aware of strangers and participating in the Neighborhood Watch. Please report any illegal activity by contacting the Camarillo Police at (805) 654-9511.

New Website www.FairfieldNeighborhood.org

The Association has a new website exclusively for Fairfield. Additional features are being added, but please use it for agendas, minutes, and other news.