



2022 President's Message

Dear Owners,

I would like to thank those who volunteered on this board for the 2022 term. It has been a challenging year as we do not have enough volunteers with the acumen to self- manage a Homeowners Association (HOA).

With volunteers changing every few years this HOA being self-managed is not possible. In order for administrative consistency to occur there needs to be a management company. The board did due diligence and interviewed three management companies and one small business accounting firm. We chose Blueprint Condominium Management Inc. because they had the best references and would accommodate all of our administrative needs. The transition to this management company will begin in December so please watch your mail and keep informed as there will be many changes.

Here are the highlights of what we accomplished to improve the aesthetics of our community this year:

- Purchased three new flower pots along Grantham Drive. This area has the most traffic and has two entrances now that Brookfield Residential has partnered with Parkland Residency Association.
- Completed the fence project which included over 6148 linear square feet of fence and 188 posts. We used PC Pro Co Painting and they were excellent. Cameron Treloar, our past president, did an amazing job managing this massive project and we as a community should be grateful to have such talented project manager living here.
- Purchased three dog waste stations and located them around both ponds and along Glastonbury Park. We hope it helps with the dog waste but also wanted to emphasize we only have a small budget for bags so please only take one if you have run out of your own.
- Repaired an entry sign that got damaged due to attempted theft.
- Landscaping maintenance highlights included:
 - 19 planters were delivered throughout the community and the flowers this year were stunning.
 - Regular garbage pickup and weed eating throughout community spaces.
 - Spring clean-up starts in April and fall clean-up ends in October.
 - Mulch top up completed in 10 beds throughout the community. If you refer to our map they were R, B, I, L, E, J, K, C, M, N.
 - 28 shrub beds are maintained weekly, 46 are maintained bi-weekly.
 - Ornamental shrub pruning is done in spring with touch ups being completed in June.
- Replacement of 2 worn out decorative garbage can covers.
- Supplemental mowing and whipper snipping was done by Charles Ingles who graciously donated his time and equipment. While the GHOA pays for the gas and minor repairs to his equipment this service could not be provided without a fee increase.

We continue to see an increased amount of vandalism in our community and have cost the GHOA thousands of dollars.. This comes in the form of graffiti, tipping over flower pots, damaging entry signs and pulling all the bags out of the dog waste stations. We all contributed to these projects and they are for the betterment of the community. If you see someone doing this please report them to the police. I encourage homeowners to keep a watch out for your neighbours' and community property. This is the third year in a row theft/vandalism has affected our community. We are part of the neighbourhood watch program and I encourage each of you to get involved to keep our community safe.

We continued with the door hanger campaign to inform residents of the restrictive covenant on shingles and fence style/colour. The main message is to keep the colours and style consistent for both fences and shingles so our community aesthetic is maintained as consistently as possible.

You can find more updated information on our website. We are always looking for excited community members to contribute to the GHOA and lend their voices and opinions. Please mark **November 23** on your calendar so you can attend our Annual General Meeting!

Kind Regards,
Denise Forwick-Whalley
Acting President