

# La Mirage

## Homeowners Association

November 2017



### Board of Directors

**Susie Bryan** - President  
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Neighborhood Watch  
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### At Large Members:

**Nancy Huhn**  
**Rik Phillips**  
**Jacqui O'Connell**

**Meetings Held Quarterly (or as needed) at the home of Susie Bryan, 4410 Chula Vista.  
The dates of the 2018 meetings will be announced at the beginning of the year.**

**Our Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/La-Mirage-Home-Owners-Association-Pensacola-FL-134249226599592/>**

**Our Email address: [lamiragehomeowners@gmail.com](mailto:lamiragehomeowners@gmail.com)**

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## **President's Message**

Happy Fall! Time for cooler weather and friendly reminders to help keep our neighborhood looking its best! Please remember the covenants were written to help maintain the beauty and safety of our community. With that in mind, let's all remember to park our cars in our driveways instead of the street. Please refrain from parking vehicles on your lawn as this does not present an appealing look and during heavy periods of frequent rainfall can cause damage to landscape and irrigation systems. Also, please be mindful of restrictions regarding trash cans and remember to place them out of view from the street. This is our neighborhood, so we must all continue to do our part in making it the place we are proud to call home.

We look forward to next year's projects and opportunities. If you are interested in joining the Board, please contact us via the community email account. We welcome new members and new ideas. **lamiragehomeowners@gmail.com**

## **Potentially Useful Information about Storm Preparedness**

If your homeowner's insurance company has reduced your premium because you have purchased hurricane shutters, be aware that not putting them up when your insurer thinks you should have could cause a problem with claims for damage. Different companies will have different definitions of "should have" so check with your insurance company. Hurricanes are bad enough without fighting this problem.

## **Important Reminder About Exterior Changes to Your Home**

Below are excerpts from our Covenants regarding changes to your home that are visible from the outside. It is critical that you have all changes to the outside of your home reviewed and approved by our Architectural Committee, headed by Steve Lohbeck. You may save yourself both time and money by reviewing and following our covenants. Besides maintaining the value and attractiveness of our neighborhood, they are legally binding. The full text of our covenants can be found on our Facebook page. Any Board member will be happy to provide you with a hard copy if needed.

12. In the event that a detached garage is constructed on any lot or building site, it shall be of a type of construction which shall be architecturally consistent with the main residence to be constructed. Any detached garage must be located within the setback requirements as provided for in Paragraph 7 above, unless a written waiver and approval for an alternate location is granted by the Architectural Control Committee.

13. No residential building, dwelling or detached garage or other building or improvement including, but not limited to porches, decks, covered patios, boat storage buildings, pools, dressing rooms, walls, fences or hedges, shall be constructed, erected, placed or altered on any lot or building site in the subdivision until the construction plans and specifications and a plan or plot showing the location of the improvements and the landscape plans and showing the nature, kind, shape, height, material, color and location of same have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Architectural Committee.

## **Welcoming New Neighbors**

A belated welcome to the Gallo family on Chula Vista.  
Welcome to the King family on Costa Mesa.

The Gallos are first time homeowners and the Kings moved here from Okinawa so let's make them feel especially at home.

## **Flags for Veteran's Day**

Flags will be placed in residents' front yards again before Veteran's Day. As usual, we will be picking them up immediately after the holiday. In case you put out flags of your own, remember that the HOA flags are those with a dot of red paint on the top of the wooden dowel.

## **Upcoming Holiday Events**

As we did last year, we'll be putting out a special newsletter with more details closer to the holiday season. But here's what to look for.

The annual meeting/holiday celebration will be Saturday morning, December 9th from 10am until noon. In the past this has been an evening adult-only party but the September picnic was such a hit that we're going to make this a daytime, family-friendly event.

We'll be looking for the best decorated homes and awarding winners.

We'll deliver luminaries to be lighted Christmas Eve. This is an annual event and we get a number of visitors from nearby communities who appreciate our efforts. It's also a good way to get to know your neighbors better as we all get outside and out of our cocoons.

## **Holiday Safety**

There's a downside to just about everything and increased crime is the Grinch for the holiday season. Some reminders:

If you'll be out of town, let your neighbors know, stop paper delivery, have someone pick up your mail.

Make sure any packages to be delivered are removed as quickly as possible from sight. UPS has a notification system that will send you emails with estimated delivery times and another email when the package has actually been delivered. You can register for this on the UPS Web site.

<https://www.ups.com/myups/registration>

After the holidays, don't leave tell-tale packaging and boxes on the curb. There's no reason to announce to the world that you have a new 60" television inside.

## **News You Can Use – Contacts Around Town and Elsewhere**

Below is a list of some resources that can keep you up to date and connected. Know what to do and where to go if/when warnings are issued for your area! Be sure to monitor your local media, weather radio or cell phone for any weather alerts that may be issued.

City Notifications - <http://cityofpensacola.com/List.aspx>

Escambia County Emergency Management - <https://www.facebook.com/bereadyec/>

National Weather Service - <http://www.weather.gov/>

Weather Radar - <http://weartv.com/weather/radar>

If you see a storm drain that appears to be obstructed, please remove the obstruction. As an additional reminder be sure to also report non-emergency related issues to Pensacola 311.

Pensacola 311 : Now citizens have three easy ways to contact 311 -- simply dialing 311, visiting <http://www.ci.pensacola.fl.us/311>, or by downloading the Pensacola 311 mobile app, available for iPhone/iPad, Android, and Blackberry.

Non-Emergencies Only - Pensacola 311 is designed to handle non-emergency issues only. If you require emergency assistance, please utilize one of the following numbers:

Fire/Police/Emergency Medical Services: 911

Pensacola Energy: 850-474-5300

Sanitation Department: 850-435-1890

In a past newsletter, we sent you a list of phone numbers for the Pensacola Police Department. Here is a link with improved information: the same phone numbers but with names and email addresses included.

<http://www.pensacolapolice.com/2314/Contact-Us>

## **La Mirage Neighborhood Watch**

**“Woody” Woodroof** is our **Neighborhood Watch Coordinator**. He lives at 6570 Chula Vista and his home phone number is 850-479-9081. His email address is

[woodywoodroof@cox.net](mailto:woodywoodroof@cox.net)

### A reminder:

Open garage doors are an open invitation to uninvited guests. Don't leave cars running. Don't leave keys in your car. And keep your car doors locked at all times!!!



We know life can be hectic and sometimes it seems like going a little bit faster or not coming to a complete stop at that stop sign is not that big of a deal, but it only takes a split second for an accident to happen. We would like to remind all of our residents to please be considerate of your neighbors and take that little bit of extra time to be a safe driver!

**2018 Board Meetings: 5 p.m.**

<b>To be</b>	<b>Announced</b>
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