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The Script

Gutters & Drains

Please Keep Clear

Since Punxsutawney Phil saw his shadow on Groundhogs Day and he predict we will have six more weeks of winter, we want to make sure we are prepared. Please let us know if you think you may have a patio drain, gutter or downspout issue. In general, our crew does not go into patios to check gutters and downspouts unless you have given us permission or if there is an emergency. If you have made a request and you have not heard back from us or your issue has not been resolved, please remind us of your situation. We have 230 units to serve and sometimes requests can slip by us.



There are drains in every patio that are connected to the main patio drain. You should make sure your drain line connected to the main pipe is clear and water does not back up. It is the responsibility of each unit to keep their patio drains clear of leaves, roots, dirt, debris and other patio items. We ask that you pick up animal matter and not wash it down your patio drain. This can cause a smell and could cause a backup.

Most patio drains are located on each side of the cement entry from the gate about 18 inches to 24 inches from the cement walkway

edge. The Association maintains the main drain line only for your building. It is your responsibility to keep your drain and the connector

line feeding from your patio into the main building line clear and unplugged. Report any slow drainage issues right away.

VDM crew is cleaning gutters and flat rooftop areas where pine needle and leaves collect. We are looking for missing and damaged gutters and downspouts that are in need of repair or replacement.

If you have difficulty locating your patio storm drains or have trouble with gutters and downspouts, please call the VDM office at (805) 684-7430. Thank you for your help.

Wood Burning Devices

Safety For All

As a reminder for all units, wood burning devices such as fire pits are not allowed at Villa Del Mar HOA including your unit patio.

With attached units, sparks from the burning wood can pose a fire hazard to you and everyone in your building. As we have seen with wildfires, the embers can travel a great distance. Smoke from the burning wood can also be a health

concern. Particles from smoke can go deep into the lung as is a big issue for residents with asthma and vascular problems. Wood burning devices are also a big source of pollution.

There are many other safer options available such as gas and propane firepits and fire tables. Those and heating lamps are a good alternative.



President George Washington, the holiday became popularly known as Presidents' Day after it was moved as part of 1971's Uniform Monday Holiday Act which was an attempt to create more three-day weekends

for our nation's workers. While several states still have individual holidays honoring the birthdays of Washington, Abraham Lincoln and other figures, Presidents' Day is now popularly

viewed as a day to celebrate all U.S. presidents, past and present.

revered as the most important figure in American history, and events like the 1832 centennial of his birth and the start of construction of the Washington Monument in 1848 were cause for national celebration.

Did you know? Presidents' Day never falls on the actual birthday of any American president. Four chief executives, George Washington, William Henry Harrison, Abraham Lincoln and Ronald Reagan, were born in February, but their birthdays all come either too early or late to coincide with Presidents' Day, which is always celebrated on the third Monday of the month.

President's Day

Did You Know?

Presidents' Day is a federal holiday celebrated on the third Monday in February. This year it is celebrated on Monday February 15th. Originally established in 1885 in recognition of

The story of Presidents' Day dates back to 1800. Following the death of George Washington in 1799, his February 22 birthday became an annual day of remembrance. At the time, Washington was

VDM Pool Reservations

Schedule a Time

The pool is open limited days and times by reservation only. Days and times will be adjusted throughout the year as needed.

The Board has approved a schedule for pool use during the pandemic.

Our Pool Monitor will be on hand to check-in guests and sanitize the pool area and restrooms.

To make a reservation **YOU MUST** either email:

vdmptime@gmail.com or call (805) 318-9209.

Please DO NOT call or email the office or emergency line to make reservations, the messages can't be forwarded. Contact info above.

All residents who have made an appointment time will be asked to arrive at the pool gate 5 min. early to be checked-in, asked to complete a waiver for each resident and explained the pool rules.

Monthly Reminders

Street Sweeping Day: REMINDER: **NO PARKING** in the alleys and Driveways at VDM during this time. Street sweeping day is the **3rd Wednesday of every month.** This month it is **Wednesday, February 17, 2021.** Please do not park on the city streets between 8:00am - 10:00am. The City will issue parking tickets which are about \$45.

General Board Meeting: There is no Board meeting scheduled in February.

Important Days in February: National Chopsticks Day – February 6th. Valentine's Day - February 14th. President's Day – February 15th.

