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The Script

Bird Activity At VDM Nesting On Stucco & Wood

It is that time of the year where migrating birds and regional birds are looking for places to nest. This is a controversial subject since some people don't mind the birds nesting in their area while others don't want the mess. Birds tend to return

to the same place year after year to build nests.

We do, however, try to install safe bird deterrents to help keep birds from building

nests on buildings and in certain areas. We also try to keep birds from perching over front doors to cut down on the mess.

Swallows generally work together as a team to build nests as quickly as possible and can build nests rapidly. If you see birds building nests in unwanted locations, please contact the office right away so we may we can address the issue. If you have questions about a nest and whether it can be removed, you should call the office to discuss. We ask that residents do not use their patio hoses to take down nests or try to put up bird deterrents yourself.

Contact the office at (805) 684-7430, email:

<u>villadelmar@verizon.net</u> or fill out a workorder request on our website at <u>www.villadelmarHOA.com</u>.

If Your Gas Is Off No Gas-What Should You Do

This past weekend there was an earthquake off the coast of Malibu. Although it was fairly small (3.8) you may have felt it. With the risks of earthquakes in Southern

California, we installed emergency gas shut off valves a few years ago.

Sometimes those valves can also be tripped by construction work or landscaping activities. If your gas is off, you should try calling the office first. We will send a crew member out to check on the earthquake emergency shut off valve. If it is after hours, you may reach out to our emergency phone by calling (805) 220-0173.

The emergency shut off valves will also shut off in the case of an earthquake 5.4 magnitude or greater. This was done to prevent gas leaks and fire breakouts. In a major earthquake, fires cause the most amount of property damage.

If you call the gas company, they will charge a hefty service fee, and this is a simple reset. Call the office at (805) 684-7430 for more information.

Wood Burning Devices Not Allowed AT VDM - Danger

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. Thank you for helping to keep Villa Del Mar HOA safe.

Garage Door

Hardware Maintenance & Repair Info

As a reminder homeowners are responsible for all garage door hardware and we recommend calling a

once a year to check hardware and

garage door company

lubricate rails and moving parts.

If you purchased a garage door opener at the time of the garage door project, and you have an issue, contact Chamberlin's Residential Support Team at (800) 528-9131. The garage door opener warranty has expired for the parts and motor but they may still be able to recommend a repair service.

If you don't want to go through the manufacturer and need faster service for reapirs you may want to call a garage door repair company like the Door Doctor (805) 459-3560 or GDI Garage Door Repair at (805) 647-4089.

Pest Control Special New Vendor Discount

If you are noticing an increase in bugs and pests around your unit, you may want to consider hiring a professional pest control service. Balance Pest Control is offering a treatment special for only **\$60.00**.

Balance Pest Control offers interior/ exterior pest control treatments. The treatments are safe for people and pets. They use an odorless spray treatment that contains the same pest deterrent that is used in Frontline and Advantage. The solution dries quickly.

Balance Pest Control has been serving Ventura/Santa Barbara County since 2002. Your family & pet's safety is their #1 priority. Call to schedule an appointment (805) 985-6881 or visit

www.balancepestcontrol.com



Monthly Reminders

Street Sweeping Day: REMINDER: **NO PARKING** in the alleys and Driveways at VDM during this time. Street sweeping day is the **3**rd **Wednesday of every month.** This month it is **Wednesday, July 19, 2023.** 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 in July.

<u>Important Days in July:</u> Independence Day – July 4th. National Ice Cream Day – July 16th. National Chili Dog Day - July 25th.





