

IRONWOOD HOA, INC

SUMMER NEWSLETTER—MAY 2015

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PGA/POA Landscaping Inspection—April 2015

Ironwood HOA received a compliance inspection report, dated April 29, 2015, from PGA Property Owners Association (“PGA/POA”). We prepared a list of issues for each homeowner to meet PGA/POA landscaping standard and mailed a HOA letter to each homeowner in May 2015.



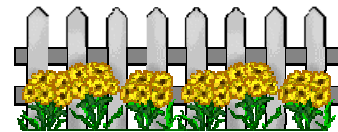
The typical landscaping and other issues noted by PGA/POA were: 1. Roof is Dirty, 2. Driveway is Dirty/Discolored, 3. Dirty Walls, 4. Repair/Replace Fences or Gates, 5. Landscape Maintenance (Tree Trimming, Plant Trimming, Weeds and Grass), and 6. Missing Foundation Hedges or Plants. Again, we have attached a few pictures to illustrate homes with and without Foundation Hedges.

PGA/POA again noted: “There are a number of owners who have placed decorative items outside. This is prohibited without ARC approval. . .” Ironwood HOA has permitted certain homeowners to place a potted plant on their front stoop, as long as the homeowner agreed to remove this pot if there is a hurricane warning.

PGA/POA commented that almost all roofs are dirty. Ironwood HOA has hired a vendor to clean Dirty Roofs for the community in mid-May 2015.

Homeowners were asked to correct these PGA/POA Issues by June 15, 2015. Remember that all Landscaping or Other changes need the approval of both Ironwood HOA and PGA/POA and the homeowner should submit the appropriate ARB or ARC

form for approval. If a homeowner requires additional time, please submit a request in writing to the Ironwood HOA.



HOA Foundation Walls and Fences

Ironwood HOA has been requested to plant hedges/plants along certain Common Foundation Walls/Fences by PGA/POA in its inspection in April 2015. These Common Foundation Walls are along House 41 and House 42 in the Park area, along House 54 and along House 82. We are looking at alternatives for these walls and will submit a plan to PGA/POA for the 2016 budget. New podocarpus plants will be planted to replace dead plants along the community wood fence at House 29 and House 30 in June 2015.

Hurricane Preparedness

Hurricane Season will start soon (June 1st). There are many websites a Homeowner can access to learn more about Hurricane Preparedness and PGA Property Owners Association’s website (www.pga-poa.com) has one. The topics covered are: Hurricane Season Information, Storm Preparedness Information, county Emergency Management and Hurricane Repairs.



Recommended Plants

The Landscape Committee developed a recommended list of plants for use by homeowners in their yards. Our goal is to provide Ironwood homeowners with a variety of landscaping options.



We recommend that homeowners use the following plants:

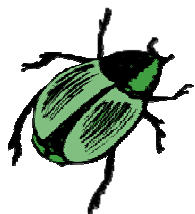
1. Small Palms—Adonida “Christmas Palm”, Pygmy Date, Spindle and Cycad—Cardboard;
2. Large Palm—Foxtail
3. Small Shrubs—Arboricola—variegated, Ixora—Maui and dwarf, Clusia—dwarf, Crotons and Plumbago (Blue)
4. Medium Shrubs (4-6 feet)—Arboricola—Green, Cocoplum, Hibiscus (messy and stains concrete), Star Jasmine and Bird of Paradise—Orange
5. Large Shrubs—Bougainvillea (Vine, Shrub or Tree—maintenance key), Clusia Rosea and Clusia Guttifera (Shrub or Tree), Eugenia, Jatropha and Sea Grape

Homeowners should not plant Ficus. If you have a Ficus plant, you need to treat with granules and spray constantly to combat White-fly infestation. Ironwood HOA will not approve any new Ficus plants.

Homeowners can refer to www.South-Florida-Plant-Guide.com to evaluate other plant options. This website provides significant guidance in the selection of the right plants—Palms, Shrubs, Ground Cover, Grasses and Trees—and gives a list of each type of plant category. For each plant, the website provides a description of each plant, plant specifications, plant care (trimming, pruning, fertilizing and watering), plant spacing and landscape uses.

Palms Need Treatment

Many homeowners noticed that the large Bismarkia palm at the front entrance is gone. This palm was attacked by beetles and died. A new, although smaller, Bismarkia palm will be planned soon.



We have contracted with a vendor to treat all Common Area palms in the Front Entrance and Pool area for this beetle on a quarterly basis. We do not want to lose more palms. We recommend that homeowners treat their palms to prevent losing a palm to this pest.

Status of 2015 Projects

Ironwood has completed the following projects to date.

- Replaced pool roof
- Repaired ceiling walls, screens and painted pool bathroom floors/walls
- Repaired the paver walkway in front of the pool
- Cleaned the pool deck and walkway
- Cleaned, repaired and painted the pool and community walls
- Cleaned specific Community caps
- Trimmed community trees



In the near future, we will clean dirty community roofs, repair the rusty pool door frames, fix the front entry lighting and replace the Bismarkia palm.

Pictures to Illustrate PGA/POA Issues

Screened Porch with Hedge/Plants compared to home without Hedge/Plants



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Foundation Wall with Hedge/Plants compared to home without Hedge/Plants

