**Introducing The Colony’s New Property Manager**

Accell Property Management has appointed a new manager to work with us at The Colony. Felicia Semuskie is a dedicated, self-motivated Property Manager and has been in the community association management industry since 2014. She started at Accell Property Management in an entry level position as a customer service manager for 35+ accounts and quickly worked her way up to an Portfolio Manager. Her satisfaction is providing exceptional customer service to our residents, clients and retaining their relationships.

Her professional experience includes: Management of homeowners associations, facilities management, financial review and budgeting.

Felicia can be reached at felicia@accellpm.com Please join us in welcoming Felicia to our association.

**Membership Meeting**

Colony Board Member Elections

The Colony Membership Meeting and Board of Directors elections are scheduled to take place on July 4th in the Clubhouse.

11:00 a.m. — Polls Open
1:00 p.m. — Polls Close

Please look for election materials in the mail. Instructions for voting, your ballot and candidates statements will all be included. It is very important to achieve a quorum of the membership for the election, so please take the time to fill in your ballot, following the instructions carefully.

You can mail your ballot early, or bring it down to the clubhouse on July 4th.

As of this printing the slate is not full so you can come to the clubhouse on the 4th and be nominated for this election to the board. If we do not get enough candidates to run we may have to postpone the election.

**Board News**

Regular BOD Meetings: The Colony Board of Directors regular meeting schedule is to have BOD meetings on the 2nd Thursday of every month. The next meetings are June 14th, 2018, 7pm & July 12th, 2018, 7pm at the Colony Clubhouse. Remember to check the web site; meeting dates are subject to change. Board meetings are open to all homeowners. Please check the agenda and come early to sign up if you wish to speak at the Open Members Forum. Your input is valued.

Meeting agendas and approved minutes can be found on the Colony web page at www.colonyirvine.com Click on About Us then Board/Meetings tab. They are also posted on the Clubhouse information board. Agendas are posted four days prior to Board meetings.

Inspectors of Election: Doug Freedman has been appointed Inspector of Elections for the Colony Board of Directors election this year. We would like to thank Doug for his volunteer service to the community.

Clubhouse Roof: The board approved funds from our reserve account for the clubhouse roof replacement work to be completed by Fontaine Associates.

Clubhouse House Floor Repair: The board is looking at various bids to replace the damaged flooring in the clubhouse. The remediation work for the water damage was been completed.

Architectural Committee Appointment: By general consent the Board approved the appointment of Cynthia Phillips to the ARC Committee.
Dear Holden,

It has been a pleasure working with you on the sale of our home. We appreciate the advice and suggestions you put forward to get the house market ready. You walked us through all the processing efficiently, while making our schedules a priority. We are still amazed at the short time frame in which you were able to find us a buyer, ONE day! And at above asking price.

Thanks Again,

Mr. and Mrs. Amanullah - Sellers of 14881 Mayten

May 5, 2018

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**14562 Laurel Avenue - College Park**
3 Beds | 2 Baths | 1,400 Sq Ft. | Purdue Model

**3552 Nutmeg Street - College Park**
4 Beds | 2.5 Baths | 2,312 Sq Ft. | Cornell Model

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Contact HOLDEN to find out how much your home is worth in today’s active real estate market!

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**Architectural Committee**

*By Eileen Tsai*

**How to Avoid Violations**

When a Colony home is purchased, along with the CC&R’s, the homeowner agrees to “keep and maintain in good order and repair...all exterior surfaces including walls, roofs, porches, balconies, garage, and all other attachments. Also, all outside areas including landscaping and fences. An application must be submitted to and approved by ARC for all colors and materials used to maintain or alter exterior surfaces.”

The Architectural Guidelines describe how to meet the Colony homeowners association’s expectations for maintaining the exterior and grounds of a home in good order and repair, and specifications for acceptable alterations. The current version of the Guidelines can be found at [www.colonyirvine.com/documents](http://www.colonyirvine.com/documents)

The main goals of the Guidelines are to promote a neat and attractive community for residents to enjoy and to maintain the value of our investments. All homeowners are expected to read and understand the Guidelines as an extension of the governing CC&R’s – ignorance is not a defense. Please do consult the Guidelines when planning exterior changes and putting together Architectural applications.

A violation occurs when a feature of the exterior of the house or yard does not meet acceptable standards as spelled out in the Guidelines. In addition, overall untidiness, furniture or household items left outside unattended, or long-term nonresponse to signs of deterioration or failure to control excessively overgrown plantings may cause violations to be issued even if not specifically detailed in the Guidelines.

Violations are issued by the property manager either as result of periodic inspections, or after being notified of a specific issue found. Any homeowner can bring observations of potential violations to the attention of the property manager who will then double-check and decide whether to issue a violation. Please be specific and detailed when

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**July 4 Fun??**

Will the July Fourth bike parade, lawn games, raft races and pool games become a thing of the past? As of this newsletter’s publication we do not have any volunteers for these traditional Colony Fourth of July activities. If you want to keep these traditions alive we need volunteers to coordinate and manage these activities as well as recruit volunteers to help to run them.

Please consider donating your time and energy to one or more of these. It is fun and rewarding to help create memories for all the Colony residents! If you are interested in coordinating an activity and/or volunteering please contact Melissa Allmann at mallmann1@cox.net or call 653-5770. Thank you!

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**Movies on the Lawn**

The City of Irvine is sponsoring free movies at the Great Park on Fridays and Saturdays.

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All movies begin at dusk. Food Trucks available at 6:30.

For more information go to the City of Irvine Community Services Special Events website [https://www.cityofirvine.org/play/community-services-department/city-special-events](https://www.cityofirvine.org/play/community-services-department/city-special-events)
**CALTRANS MEETING**

On February 20, 2018, The Colony was treated to a presentation from Mr. Steve Sowers, a Senior Transportation Engineer from Caltrans. Mr. Sowers shared with us a few basic facts about the congestion on the I-5 from the border with San Diego County to the 55 freeway, and then dedicated the majority of his time with us to answering questions from the audience.

Concerning the congestion on the I-5, the news is that we actually have it relatively good. That is to say, other highways in the county have much worse congestion. Soon, Caltrans will begin a project to add a second HOV lane going north on at the I-5 beginning at the 55 freeway. The next project to relieve congestion on the I-5 will involve connecting the 241 toll road to the I-5 somewhere in south county.

Speaking of toll roads, Mr. Sowers shared with us that it is generally understood that just building more lanes alone will not solve traffic problems. There needs to be a disincentive, or cost, to choosing to drive and, thus, he expects more toll roads to be in our future. He also suggested that with the rise of fully automated vehicles, the ability to increase a roadway’s capacity would improve by collapsing headways.

Another initiative that you should see soon is the encouragement of “active transportation.” Active transportation means making getting around by your own power (i.e. walking or biking). Caltrans is going to make it more attractive and easier to do. This is in response to recent medical research that being immobile (i.e. sitting) is more life-threatening than smoking, and can increase your chances of being diagnosed with cancer, Type 2 diabetes, cardiovascular disease, or back pain. Thus the slogan: “sitting is the new smoking.” Mr. Sowers anticipates a statewide improvement of sidewalks, curb ramps and crosswalks, and bike lanes.

Much of this improvement, and many other projects, will be supported by Senate Bill 1, the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017, passed last year. This new legislation will invest $54 billion dollars into fixing roads, freeways, and bridges in California over the next 10 years. You can find more information about the legislation and the expected improvements at rebuildingca.ca.gov.

**FUN FACTS ABOUT THE COLONY**

By Myra Radlow

A walk around our neighborhood will quickly make clear that we are an artists colony, or The Colony for short. Most of our streets are named for artists – painters, sculptors, writers, and some are named for famous locations where artists gathered. But why no Laguna Beach?? Here are some quotes by and about our artists colony...

**Gibraltar** is located at the southern tip of the Iberian Peninsula. It is also the location of the Rock of Gibraltar, the northern side of the Strait of Gibraltar. A little less than eight nautical miles to the south of the Rock of Gibraltar is a corresponding peak identified as either Mons Calpe (also called Monte Hacho) or Jebel Musa. Together they form the Straight of Gibraltar. Over the years, the Straight has had many names. The ancient world called it the Pillars of Hercules. One story claims that while Hercules was completing one of his twelve labors, he was confronted with a large mountain between him and his destination. Instead of climbing a large mountain, he smashed through it creating the Straight. Understandably, the Straight is a tangible boundary between the known (the people and cultures of the Mediterranean) and the unknown (the Atlantic and beyond) and many myths and stories have included this wondrous and mysterious gateway.

“The sea has testified that Africa and Europe have kissed.” Válgame, on the Straight of Gibraltar

**Majorca** is an island off of the east coast of Spain. Many European artists have visited Majorca including George Sand and Frédéric Chopin, Agatha Christie, and Joan Miró.

**Capri** is an island off of the west coast of Italy. During the later half of the 1800s, European artists and writers flocked to Capri to work and play. Some notable guests include: John Singer Sargent, Claude Debussy, and Somerset Maugham.
Are you a Colony Resident with something to sell or a service to offer? Place an ad in the Colonist. Email colonistnewsletter@gmail.com for more information.

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describing what was observed. Please understand the property manager may decide not to issue a violation and does not have to give a reason. Also, the property manager or the Board may already be working with some homeowners on curing violations which may take a while to resolve.

The best way to avoid violations is to be aware of what the Guidelines allow and to keep a regular timetable for inspecting your property and taking care of issues found as soon as possible. Before undertaking major changes or repairs to the exterior of your home or yard, please come to an Architectural Review Committee meeting with sample brochures or drawings, and ask if what you are considering is likely to be approved. We try hard to be as lenient as possible within the Guidelines, and will work with homeowners to get applications approved or revised as needed. We are your neighbors, too.

Most homeowners take good care of their properties, which makes it fun to walk and drive around the Colony. Thank you for taking pride and joy in our lovely neighborhood.

Sizzlin’ Summer Concert Series

Mike Ward Community Park—Woodbridge 20 Lake Road
Bring the whole family for some summer fun!

July 8, 5:30 p.m.—Smith Band (Modern Country)
July 22, 5:30 p.m.—Tijuana Dogs (Dance Party Rock)
Intermission Performance by Sara Peyton King (Irvine High School Youth Action Team Akustikoff Winner)
July 29, 5:30 p.m.—Pacific Symphony in the Cities
Aug. 5, 5:30 p.m.—Undercover Live (Pop Variety)
Aug. 12, 5:30 p.m.—The Emperors (Classic Rock)

In Memorandum

Mary Beth Kerns passed away March 28, 2018. Mary Beth was a long time resident of The Colony. She was much loved by the residents here, as well as the Irvine Community. Her daughter Elizabeth and son Eric grew up in the Colony.

Mary Beth was involved in supporting College Park Elementary and Irvine High School teacher programs. She always exuded a positive attitude even though she had cancer for 14 years.

Do you have an item of general interest for the Colonist? Please submit your article to colonistnewsletter@gmail.com for consideration in upcoming newsletters. The deadline is July 19, 2018. Comments and suggestions are welcome!
### Clubhouse Reservations
Planning a party or event?
Reservations are easy to make!

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