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SORRENTO OAKS Newsletter





Memories of Pete Ryan (sp. 43)

Though it's been several months since Pete passed, we remember all he did for us.

He could repair ANYTHING and was always happy to help or loan a tool when residents needed advice or assistance. He was also for years the backbone of the AC/MC – he, Don Cossi (formerly sp. 9) and Phil kept this park running. He had a map in his head about where our aging infrastructure pieces were, when they'd been installed and how to keep them functioning. He was Mr. Sorrento Oaks to me! *Sharon (sp. 75)*

I knew a guy and his name was Pete. He biked 5 miles on our lovely park street(s). He helped and he planned and he did a lot for us. We miss him and we loved him as he loved us! Sandy (sp. 11)

Pete was a man of many talents, who loved working with his hands. He always had the time and desire to help and guide many of his neighbors in any project that they were working on. Being the chairman of the Maintenance Committee he was instrumental in completing many of the projects that needed to be done in the park, always with good humor and spirit. He is missed by all who knew him.

Pete was a warm-hearted towering presence in our community. When Jean and Pete came back from their years of sailing, they both became fully active members of Sorrento Oaks. Pete abundantly contributed his numerous skills and experience to our community to the maintenance of our park and its compliance to the laws. He showered us with his kindness. During his illness he

was an example of courage and optimism and gave us all he could until the end. He was a star! He is a star! Thank you, Pete. *Brigitte (sp. 58)*



Pete was one of the most generous and warm-hearted people I have known. He always had time to lend a helping hand, to give advice, to extend a smile and good cheer. Knowledgeable, helpful, friendly, trustworthy - he was someone we should all try to emulate. The world would be a much better place if there were more people like Pete. He is missed by all who knew him. *Dan (sp. 17)*

Pete got more back than he gave, liked to share what he knew, loved it here and loved the people.

Jean – of Pete and Jean! (sp. 43)

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Welcome

Hi, Kitty (sp. 78). We hope to meet you soon!

Drive 10

More and more residents are asking that other residents, and visitors or delivery people, drive slowly in our park. Are you doing your part? Driving 10 is safer.

And lock...everything!

Your yard waste

The GreenWaste cans by the clubhouse are being used by individual residents for yard waste from their own yards, filling the bins so that they aren't available for waste from the park common areas. They are ONLY for waste from our common areas - ONLY for park use. Sharon (sp. 75, MC)

Our water pipes

The Infrastructure Committee is reviewing plans from Freitas+Freitas to replace our ageing, underground water pipes. When we have received revised plans, we will schedule a Clubhouse meeting for our whole park. Residents can voice concerns about the work and the cost and ask questions of Miguel (Infrastructure Comm.) and Diana (Finance Comm.).

Sharon went to Panama More next month.





Monarchs

My sister and I are birders, not experts, but fascinated amateurs. In Oct. we traveled to Cape May in Southern New Jersey for the bird migration that lasts for months in the fall.

Cape May is at the tip of the first major peninsula on the East Coast where birds from eagles to songbirds funnel through, migrating south from our continent. The 3-day Bird Festival and Hawk Watch is scheduled in Oct./ Nov. (https://njaudubon.org/centers/cape-may-bird-observatory/) and sponsored by the New Jersey Audubon Society. Members lead groups of birders to various areas and assist in identification and information. There are rotating birders counting and keeping track of the types/numbers of birds. The hope is to keep track of the birds as it reflects their migration success and health.

NJ Audubon also sponsors Monarch Butterfly tagging, counting, disseminating information about them. They sponsor a fall festival in October for Monarchs. Vendors have information about them and tell how interested parties can participate in keeping them safe and flying. *Chris (sp. 17)*

Monthly Park Fees: Due on the 5th business day of the month.
Board Meetings: 4th Wednesday/month, 6:30 pm, clubhouse *
Finance Committee: 3rd Tuesday/month, 5:00 pm, clubhouse
Rules Committee: Aug - Oct as needed, 7pm, clubhouse
AC/MC Meeting: 1st Monday/month, 5:00 pm, clubhouse
Garden Committee: 2nd Wednesday/month, 4:30 pm, clubhouse
Bookmobile: Every other Tuesday 1:30 -2:15pm, outside clubhouse
Social Committee: Birthday Parties, 2nd Tuesday/month, & social events
Infrastructure Committee: 2nd Monday/month by Zoom 5:30 - 6:00 pm

Emergency Committee: No regular meetin
Emergency Assistance: Requiring Police, Sheriff, Fire Dept, Ambulance: 911
Any other urgent assistance: Call James (sp. 53) or Ken (sp. 20)
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* Board Meetings are held in the clubhouse and by Zoom. Please check with the office manager if you want to attend by Zoom.