



**FAIRVIEW COMMUNITY
ASSOCIATION
NEWSLETTER**

July 2024

The FAIRVIEW newsletter will be used to promote neighborhood events, encourage owner participation, and provide information to keep you updated on Fairview projects and residents.

Fairview Board Meeting

**THE BOARD MEETING FOR JULY 15
HAS BEEN POSTPONED...**

New date: July 24, 3PM, Room 3



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President's
Message

Hi neighbors,

Let's all embrace summer. Summer brings the best out of Floridians. Live safe, play safe, and travel safe.

See the change in board meeting date, come and represent your neighbors and neighborhood.

Happy July!!!

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Olympics are televised July 26-August 11



Welcome to **OUR GOOD NEIGHBORS** portion of the newsletter!

If you have any questions, please contact Ellen Jones
at 941-545-2551 or e-mail her at Ellenj720@gmail.com



A shout out to our American flag team for beautifying our neighborhood for the July 4th holiday!



THANK YOU! You are certainly appreciated!



HURRICANE TIPS...

Have you heard or seen the "My Safe FL Home" program in the news lately? Rich Quintanilla, our association president provided the link below. This program could possibly grant you \$10k if you spend \$15k or more on qualified upgrades to your home. Please do your own research so you understand the guidelines!!!

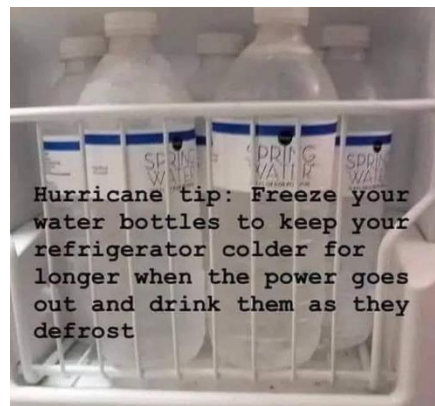


My Safe FL Home
Stronger Homes. Safer Florida.

ATTENTION APPLICANTS
IF YOU HAVE GRANT GROUP 1 STATUS, YOU MAY
APPLY FOR A GRANT STARTING JULY 1, 2024.

Helping Florida GET READER for Hurricanes
AND Save Money!
mysafehome.com

<https://mysafehome.com/>



Hurricane tip: Freeze your water bottles to keep your refrigerator colder for longer when the power goes out and drink them as they defrost

SAFETY and SECURITY TIPS

ONLINE SCAMMERS... we know they exist and will try any way they can to steal from you, so we share this article (link below) and strongly encourage you to all read it and take heed! This very scam was almost perpetrated on one of our Fairview members. They will verify that when the scam started, they so firmly believed they were dealing directly with Microsoft that they began following the instructions given. When it began to involve financial information (which the scammers seemed to know way too much about already!), our friends ended the call, went directly to their bank and froze their bank accounts and credit cards. The bank changed their account numbers, and most importantly... ALL passwords were changed! Thankfully, in the end, no harm was done...only a lot of inconvenience! If this happened to you, would you know what to do? Or, especially what NOT to do? ...again...**NEVER share your personal information, such as social security number, credit card, bank information, or account passwords, with people you do not know.** Please copy this link into your browser and read this article...

<https://malwaretips.com/blogs/fake-microsoft-security-alerts/>

DRYER SHEETS... You empty the lint filter in your dryer, right? Do you also use dryer sheets to soften your clothes, and make them smell nice? If so, here's a safety tip for you... those dryer sheets have a waxy film on them. You can't see it, but you can feel it when you take them out of the box, and it can build up on the mesh of your lint filter. This is a common cause of burned-out heating elements and is a potential fire hazard! The best way to keep your dryer working better and longer is to take that filter out and wash it with hot soapy water and an old toothbrush (or other brush) at least every six months. This can possibly extend the life of your dryer and help lower your electric bill. So now....go check out YOUR dryer...better safe than sorry!

TIPS ON PUMPING GAS... Some ways to get more of your money's worth for every gallon:

- Only fill your vehicle in the early morning when the ground temperature is cooler. Remember that all service stations have their storage tanks buried below ground. The colder the ground the more dense the gasoline, when it gets warmer gasoline expands. So, filling your vehicle in the afternoon or evening, your gallon is not exactly a gallon.
- When you're filling up do not squeeze the trigger of the nozzle to a fast mode If you look you will see that the trigger has three (3) stages: low, middle, and high. You should be pumping on low mode, thereby minimizing the vapors that are created while you are pumping. All hoses at the pump have a vapor return. If you are pumping on the fast rate, some of the liquid that goes to your tank becomes vapor. Those vapors are being sucked up and back into the underground storage tank so you're getting less for your money.
- One of the most important tips is to fill up when your gas tank is HALF FULL. The more gas in your tank, the less air occupying its empty space. Gasoline evaporates faster than you can imagine.
- Lastly, if a gasoline truck is pumping into the storage tanks when you stop to buy gas, DO NOT fill up; most likely the gasoline is being stirred up as the gas is being delivered, and you might pick up some of the dirt that normally settles on the bottom.

MAKING OUR HOMES SAFER IN FAIRVIEW

Even though our homes are geared for seniors with no stairs and installed grab bars in bathrooms, there are still things we can do to prevent falls, light a room better, etc. For those of us living alone, hopefully you find even more tips here to make your lives safer...

TO REDUCE FALLS:

- Eliminate the risk of falls around the house by getting rid of throw rugs or taping them to the floor.
- Crating or gating pets in a less central part of the home when elderly or older adults are present can provide the pet with a comfortable, secure home base and protect your visitors as well.
- Placing a telephone handset in each room is also a good plan, so that in the event of an emergency a phone is always close at hand and fully charged. Or carry your cell phone in your pocket or walker throughout the house.
- Wear non-slip footwear or gripper socks.
- If you have a cane or a walker, use it at all times instead of holding onto walls and furniture.
- Ensure cords and cables are out of footpath to prevent trips
- Remove wheels on chairs.

BBATHROOM SAFETY:

- Bathtubs, showers, and bathroom floors should have nonslip or textured surfaces that keep floors from getting slick when they're wet.
- Adding a shower seat can reduce concerns.
- Use bath mats that have non-skid rubber backing.
- Replace toilet with a raised taller model to reduce problems getting up or use a toilet seat accessory with arms.

KITCHEN SAFETY:

- Have your top cabinets retrofitted so there is no need for a step stool. If using a step stool, make sure it has a handle to hold onto when on it.
- Have your bottom cabinets retrofitted with pull out shelves to reduce the need for bending and reaching.
- Ensure daily-use items are within reach and easily accessible.
- Make sure kitchen lighting is brighter as we get older. Install under counter lighting.
- Invest in an "extended grabber". These tools help anyone reach objects on high shelves, items that have fallen behind furniture, or even an item dropped at their feet.
- Replace small appliances, such as toasters and slow cookers, with auto shut-off features.

BEDROOM SAFETY:

- Make sure beds are at a safe level.
- Add low lighting or night lights with sensors.
- Purge the room of unnecessary items.
- Add easy access storage.
- Have phone and charger within reach of bed.

INDOOR LIGHTING: General lighting can be connected to a motion sensor so that it comes on automatically.

LIFELINE: The Men's Club of Sun City Center provides free installation and service calls. There is a small monthly fee. Further information can be found at: www.suncitycenter.org/community-services/lifeline

CLEANING PRODUCTS: Never mix bleach, ammonia, or other cleaning liquids together when you are cleaning. When mixed, cleaning liquids can create deadly gases.

MEDICATIONS:

- Keep all medications in their original containers so you don't mix up medicines.
- Ask your pharmacist to put large-print labels on your medications to make them easier to read.
- Have your medications in a well-lit room, so you can see the labels if filling a pill box.

PROTECTION AGAINST SENIOR ABUSE:

- Keep your windows and doors locked at all times.
- Never let a stranger into your home when you are there alone.
- Talk over offers made by telephone salespeople with a friend or family member.
- Do not share your personal information, such as social security number, credit card, bank information, or account passwords, with people you do not know who contact you.
- Always ask for written information about any offers, prizes, or charities and wait to respond until you have reviewed the information thoroughly.
- Do not let yourself be pressured into making purchases, signing contracts, or making donations. It is never rude to wait and discuss the plans with a family member or friend.
- Print off emergency numbers visible and attach it to your refrigerator. Make sure your list of medications is on this list.