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PET OF THE MONTH

MEET "BEUTEE" by Diane Pannone

This month Harbour Vista News is featuring a dog resident named BEUTEE. Beutee is a 9 ½ year old black and white Border Collie who lives with her owner and companion Toni Lund and her friend Missy Blue, a 15 year old kitty. Toni and Beutee are new residents in Harbour Vista having just moved to Harbour Vista recently.

Beutee does not let Toni out of her sight and loves to go along with her for car rides. Toni says Beutee is very protective of her and a very good watch dog.

Beutee likes to go out for walks around the complex and likes meeting other dogs and

people in the complex. Toni is on her electric scooter and Beutee is on her leash running along in front of Toni. Both Beutee and Toni really love going around the property meeting friendly residents and other friendly dogs. If you see them, stop and say hello and give Beutee a pet, she loves the attention.





When Beutee was just a couple of years old, Toni's husband (who is now deceased), built a really cool dog house condo which is now a private residence for Beutee on Toni's patio. Kind of a "condo" within a condo!

Remarks: This article introduces a new running series about the pets at Harbour Vista. If you have a pet that you would be of interests to your neightbors in this publication, please



HOA INSTALLS NEW EASY EXIT LOCKS

by Michael Barto

In the last two weeks, new easy lever exit locks have been installed in both the Phase I and Phase II gates at the Harbour Vista Condo.

For as long as can be remembered, exiting from Harbour Vista and particularly exiting either pool, has required residence to use their property or pool key. This is also an overlooked civic code violation.





HOA Board Member at Large <u>Ramy Eskander</u> spearhead this effort specifically for the Pool Gates. It was approved at the last HOA meeting July 22, 2013. HOA Secretary <u>Cheryl Boyd</u> and Volunteer Barbara Torchio coordinated the installation.

After the locks were installed, On Friday August 9th, <u>Bill's Fence Company</u> completed the installation by welding security ringsaround the locks and installing a mesh screens at the pool gates. The mesh screens prevent children and other unauthorized person from entering by reaching through the gate. Bill from Bill's Fence Company said he was pleased with Harbour Vista calling him immediately to add the pool security mesh for the locks as most his customers call after an

accident or trespassing has occurred.

A residence state that this is an overdue improvement to the property and is the "first outstanding accomplishment' by the new HOA Board.

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HOA FILES HATE CRIME REPORT

Financials Looking Better Vice President Confronts Member by <u>Michael Barto</u>

The newly elected Harbour Vista HOA Board held their first public Board meeting on Monday July 22, 2013 in the Harbour Vista Community Club House at Cabana Circle. It was announced that Financials for the HOA had improved. The Board President announced that the Board had filed a "Hate Crime Report" with the Huntington Beach Police Department.

Attendance was down for this meeting to 13 people

Assume the Helm

The newly elected HOA Board for 2013-2014 was introduced by Board President Gayle Poytner who was reelected. Other re-elected members include Ron Rolewicz, remaining as Vice President and Ramy Eskander, remaining as Member at Large. Two new members elected to open positions on the HOA Board are Cheryl Boyd, as Secretary and Tim Jordanides as the new Treasurer.

Finances Better Than Expected

Action Property Management Company Representative Taylor DeLauder provided a very short and clear report of the current financial position of the HOA. He stated that this month the HOA has a budget surplus of \$50K. This is due to the under estimation of the budget expenses. Vice President Ron Rolewicz added this was a significant and improving cash flow for the HOA.

Hate Crime Report Filed

The President, Gayle Poynter, announced that a campaign poster for the "Gayle Poynter Voter Block" in one of the elevators on Grunion on June 30,2013 had been defaced.

Defacing comments that were "racist, religious slurs" were written on the poster referring to three of the c a n d i d a t e s. G a y l e P o y n t e r announced that the HOA will not tolerate "Hate Crimes". As President of the HOA, she had filed a "Hate Crime" report with the Huntington Beach Police Department. During the filing, she was asked who might be

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the likely perpetrator. She named the only candidate running against her "Voting Block". Mary Williams. This in turn prompted the Police Department to contact Mary Williams. and guestion her about the incident.

Terrorist Threat?

Mary Williams, who was in attendance at this meeting, told the Board about this accusation and the phone call from the Police Department. She also stated that the local newspaper "The Huntington Beach Wave" published a news summary of the incident with the heading "Terrorist Threat" and that it was suspected the "opposition campaign" was responsible for the act. Mary Williams stated she did not commit the act and knew nothing about who might have committed the act.

Vice President Confronts Member

In an unusual move, Vice President Ron Rolewicz left his seat at the board table and walked out to stand in front of Mary Williams. He informed the members present that he had concluded during his investigation it was obvious an older woman had defaced the campaign poster. His reasoning was the references to archaic slang/slur language used and the handwriting was too neat for it to be a male's writing. Though he did not say this, this profile fit Mary Williams who he was standing in front of. Mary Williams stated again that she had nothing to do with this. The new Board as a whole ignored Mary's concerns that she had been falsely accused. Michael Barto, a former Board Member, who was in the audience spoke up before things got out of hand and stated "is this beat up on Mary Williams time"? Ron Rolewicz returned to his seat. It should be noted this is the first time that attendees remember a Board Member leaving their seat to confront a member of the audience.

Open Forum

For the Open Forum, the President made an announcement that no maintenance issues were to be discussed during this time. She gave no explanation as to why.

A member complained about unauthorized people trespassing into the complex to use the pools. Discussion ensued as to how this could be curtailed. No resolution was reached. Ron Rolewicz said if any resident saw a problem they could call him immediately and he would investigate. Oddly, Ron's phone number has not been posted at the mailboxes or on the web site as was the policy of the previous Board. It is assumed this will be corrected and his phone number posted in the near future.

Regular Session

After the open session concluded the Board continued with several financial approvals. New locks will be installed on some of the gates that will allow opening from the inside without requiring a key. New foliage is to be planted around the pool areas to hide the view of the pools from the streets. A recent pole light replacement was discussed. Member at Large, Ramy Eskander, asked the Management Company to investigation replacing the broken pole light with a solar one. HOA insurance is coming up for renewal. Three bids have been submitted – the lowest being approximately \$39K. The Board asked the Management Company to review the other bids.

Other

There was a short presentation by a potential vendor to the Board and those in attendance (vendor's name and function withheld since this is in negotiation). Gayle Poynter announced that the Land Lease/Purchase committee is planning on holding a meeting in the near future. No date and time has yet been decided.

Notes: The racial, religious slurs used in the defacing of the campaign poster are known among the 20 somethings, hard core right wing beach crowd according to some young friends of mine in Huntington Beach. They have recently heard these terms. Also the defacing was "printed" not "written".

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