

Garden Villa Association

Representing Residents of All 3-Story Buildings

Board members present: President, Stuart Hack; Treasurer, Sharon Mollineri; Secretary, Marti Mangan; Regional reps: Bonnie Colling, Theresa Keegan, Gail Berra, Ed McGill; President Emeritus and Third Board Director Lynn Jarrett. Third Board Director John Franel.

SPEAKERS:

Brandi Najm, Orange County Fire Authority, Community Education Specialist, presented many helpful ways to prevent fires in your condominium. First she cited the top 3 causes of fire as:

1.Cooking, 2. Electrical and 3. Heating.

Some ways of preventing fires are to:

- 1. Never use an extension cord with a major appliance
- 2. Always keep anything that can burn 3 feet away from heating equipment.

You should use a fire extinguisher if the fire is small. Make sure you have a clear escape path. Before entering a room make sure smoke and heat have not filled the room. Have a working smoke alarm. Make an escape plan. Designate an outside meeting place so you can check that everyone in your unit and your building is accounted for.

For more detailed information you can log on to the OCFA.org website.

Carlos Rojas, VMS Chief of Security updated the members about how to avoid being a victim of petty thefts and other crimes. He suggested locking your car at all times and keeping valuables in a locked safe place.. Most crimes are crimes of opportunity. VMS is in the process of setting up a bicycle registration program to aid in recovering stolen bikes and prosecuting the thief. Remember if you **See Something Say Something.**

Stuart Hack is retiring as president of GVA on August 1, 2021. The GVA members thanked Stuart for his leadership the past two years. His guidance and help will be missed.

Volunteers are needed to pick up the many functions of the GVA. If you are interested in being of service please contact Marti Mangan at <u>martinamangan@att.net</u> or call 714-501-4773.

Respectfully submitted,

Marti Mangan Secretary

NEXT MEETING SEPTEMBER 9, 2021

CLUBHOUSE 5, ROOM 1, 10 AM