

Date/Time Sent: Oct 8, 2023 @ 7:12 am
From: Joanne Harris
To: Everyone

Subject: Sweetbay News Update & Welcome Home

Message: Dear Sweetbay Neighbors,

For those of you who have already returned to Sweetbay to start the new season, welcome back! To those of you who are planning to be back in the next few weeks, safe travels and we are looking forward to seeing you soon!

Welcome to our new neighbors:

Carol & John McGee are getting settled in their new home (#1613, previously Debbie & Ken Bourne's home). They recently moved here from Buttonbush. Prior to that, they lived in Sweetbay in what is currently the home of Merriel & Bill Bowditch. Apparently, they couldn't stay away from Sweetbay! Welcome home, Carol & John!

The signs of the new season are already upon us:

Trimming is currently taking place; mulching will be completed in the next couple of weeks. Driveway, front walkway, cart path and A/C pad cleaning is scheduled to take place for all village homes about November 8 – 10 (weather permitting).

Here are a few reminders about how individual Sweetbay homeowners can help do their part to keep Sweetbay looking its best:

Roof cleaning – Please take a proactive look at your roof to determine if it needs cleaning. It should not wait until you receive notice from the POA about cleaning. Receiving a notice means that you are "past due" and should already have taken care of it.

Vehicles – Remember to park vehicles inside your garages unless you have obtained permission from the POA. Please make Security aware of any guests that require short-term overnight parking in your driveway. The parking spaces near the pool are reserved for residents and their guests who are using the pool or accessing the mailboxes.

Garage doors - There have been an increasing number of comments from neighbors about garage doors being left open. Please close garage doors when you are not actively using the garage. Not only is this rule part of our village bylaws, but it is less unsightly and also helps prevent unwanted guests (snakes, rodents, etc.) from entering your home.

Garbage & Recycling – Tuesday is the day for both garbage and recycling pick-up. Friday is for garbage pick-up only. Please place your garbage and recycling in cans and bring it to the curb on pick-up days.

Outdoor items – You may recall an ARB article last season regarding statues, artwork, flowerpots, sundials, birdbaths, etc. There are two approved locations to display your outdoor items: within the front courtyard area near the entrance of your home or within a screened patio. Please refer to ARB guidelines for specific details and approval requirements.

Now for the FUN part!

Our Sweetbay Social Committee is planning some wonderful activities this season to be enjoyed and shared by all. Please **SAVE THE DATE** for the following:

Season Kickoff: Wednesday, November 15th
Holiday Party: Wednesday, December 6th
Pool Party: Wednesday, January 17th
Bocce Party – Wednesday, February 7th
Annual Meeting & Dinner – Wednesday, March 13th
Flamingo Open – Wednesday, April 17th

Thanks to our Social Committee* for getting our 2023-24 season jump-started!

*(*Chair: Wink McKinnon; Members: Mary Ann Bichajian, Merriel Bowditch, Carol Geraghty, Susan Griffin, Hardy Mowry, Lee Prince, Barb McKinnon, Deb Singleton, Rosanne Wallrath)*

Welcome Home from your Sweetbay Board!

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