



WHY ARE THERE RULES?

Living in a condo association definitely has its' benefits. No outside yard work to be done, the amenities are taken care of, the insurance is paid, the outside of the buildings are maintained, the list goes on. While these benefits are seen by all, it is also a benefit to have rules in place.....but WHY? you say?

Why can't my dog swim in the pool? Why can't I sneak glass bottles into the pool area? Why can't we swim at night? Why can't my young son swim without my supervision? Well, the state of Florida has this inspector who stops by and checks his list to see that we are following the state statutes. If the rules aren't followed, they have the right to close the pool down and fine the Venetian. They may force us to empty the pool if dog hair or broken glass were found.

Why can't I store my unregistered car on property? The average family has 2 cars, the Venetian has 1.5 parking spots per unit. If everyone were allowed to store cars here, there wouldn't be enough room for residents to park.

Why can't my friends park their boat in a slip when they are visiting? Each boat slip is assigned to a specific unit and the maintenance for those slips is paid by those owners. The slips are not open to the public and all boats must be registered with the association before they are brought in. If this doesn't happen, we run the risk of having uninsured boats come in and cause problems.

Why can't I hang my wind chimes outside of my patio? The rules allow for one plant outside each entrance. If there were no rules stating what is allowed, there would be a variety of decorations placed everywhere, not necessarily to everyone's taste. Keeping the common areas clean also avoids any insurance issues and assists the landscapers in doing there job properly. Drilling nails into common walls could cause leaks, as well.

Why can't I leave all my large furniture outside of the dumpster when I don't want it anymore? Maybe someone else in the complex will want it. If the disposal company comes to empty the dumpsters and there are items in the way, they won't empty them. Also, to have any large items picked up, there is an extra cost. Do you really want our dumpster areas to look like the one across the street? This is what would happen. Dumpsters are for garbage bags, not car seats, huge boxes that aren't broken down, tables, lamps, etc. These items should be taken to the dump.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting is scheduled for October 26, 2013.

Please email Joan if you have a new address so the packets can reach you.

It is very important that all owners vote, either in person or through proxy. The necessary forms will be mailed to you prior to the meeting.

The First Notice is being mailed next week, please watch for it.

See you at the meeting!

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Board Members

Shane Whitmore,
President

Jamie Brewton, VP

Nicki Diaz, Sec/
Treas.

Committee members needed. Please let Joan know if you'd like to volunteer.

Calendar of Events

Sept 2nd—*Labor Day*

Sept 26th—*Board Meeting*

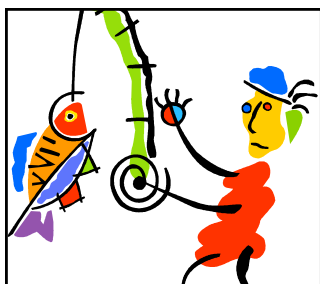
Oct 14th—*Columbus Day*

Oct 17th—*Board Meeting*

Oct 26th—*Annual Meeting*



Is it a Fish Tale or a Rule?



There has been some confusion on the rules concerning fishing in the lagoon. Let's clarify this for everyone.

Fishing IS allowed in the lagoon.

Crab traps are not allowed to be used or dropped in the river.

No cleaning, preparing or processing of fish is allowed along the marina/lagoon.

The floating dock is only open to marina slip owners.

When fishing, please be respectful of the boats in the lagoon.

When cleaning fish in your unit, please do not put fish parts down the disposal!



PARKING AT THE VENETIAN



Parking can be a hassle here at the Venetian since there is limited parking. Everyone needs to follow these rules to help eliminate some of the frustration.

1. Registered vehicles ONLY are allowed to park in numbered spots.
2. ONLY one vehicle per registered licensed driver in each unit is allowed a parking decal.
3. Guests must display a guest pass to park in a guest spot and they are only good for 72 hours.
4. Registered vehicles should park in their numbered spots, leaving guest spots open for guests.
5. Care needs to be taken not to hit bushes, fences and walls when backing into a spot.
6. Any vehicles not following these rules will be towed with no warning.

HELPFUL REMINDERS



A flower on Venetian property!

Delivery services will leave packages at residents doors from time to time. Please do not touch these unless they belong to you. Remember, thieves always get caught.

Please remember to put the pool umbrellas down when you leave. The wind can cause damage to them and they are not cheap to replace.

By Florida law, a key is required to be given to the association for every unit. In case of an emergency, it may be necessary for the manager to get into your unit. Having a key may help in saving your unit from a flood or fire. A key check will be completed in the next few months, notices will be posted at that time.

When leaving your unit for an extended period of time, it is wise to shut the water off.