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New Property Manager

Donna LaFrance- Sr Property Manager

Donna is the first point of contact for any Crest at Wailuna questions, comments or to report concerns.

She can be reached at email: Donnal@hawaiianprop.com

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New Crest at Wailuna Website

Logon to see our new www.CrestatWailuna.com.

In addition to our new website, there are some resource contacts and an option to complete and submit, online fillable forms.

Street Light Project

A consultant company has been selected to manage the Crest's street light replacement project. This project is the start of a renovation/upgrade to the Crest's infrastructure and our quality of life. The consultant company will be tasked to provide an assessment of the Crest's current street lights, and associated hardware. Based on this assessment and their recommendations, and upon approval of the Board the company will explore the hiring of qualified contractors to execute the scope of this project. As with the repaving project a consultant will provide bids from competing contracting companies during the planning phase. Some possible considerations:

- Total cost of the project.
- Expected cost savings based on the equipment.
- Recommendations on lighting hardware – bulbs, and material. choice of light poles & casings.
- A recommendation/evaluation on whether the current foundation for these poles require additional work prior to starting the construction.
- An evaluation report of the current lighting infrastructure which includes wiring and other electrical components.
- Optional technologies, that should include photovoltaic, emergency battery backup, and dusk to dawn photo sensors.

The Association's current street lights are over 30 years old - and have outlived their service life expectancy. Several street light poles have failed that had to be

replaced. More information will be provided as this project progresses.

Periodically test for Fire Ants

A recent State of Hawaii News release, for the Hawaii Department of Agriculture recommended, "A simple bait test with some peanut butter to check plants for the presence of fire ants. It is a good practice for all residents in uninfested areas to periodically check their properties for these invasive ants." If you suspect you have little fire ants or want to perform the test, follow these steps.

1. Smear a thin coat of peanut butter on one end of a disposable chopstick or popsicle stick. A thick blob is not more attractive to the ants but may make identification difficult/impossible. You may break/cut the sticks in half to create more samples.
2. Place peanut-buttered sticks in, around, and on plants, including potted plants, where you have seen or been stung by ants. At least three sticks per plant, and/or one stick every two feet is recommended. Leave the sticks for an hour.
3. After an hour, carefully pick up the sticks (so the ants don't fall off!), and place them in a sealable plastic bag. Write your name, the date and a contact number on the bag, and freeze for at least 24 hours to kill the ants. An address is helpful, but not required.
4. Mail or drop off the sample to: Hawaii Department of Agriculture Plant Pest Control Branch 1428 South King Street Honolulu, HI 96814

Please DO NOT mail live ants and please do not move any plants you think may be infested. For more information, visit the Hawaii Ant Lab website: www.littlefireants.com. Please do not collect ants on tape.

PARKING:

As a reminder there is no parking allowed on our private roadways, blocking sidewalks or on the common area grass. Thank you for being a considerate neighbor.

5 Pine tree removals

Kendall Landscape is the contractor that is selected to perform the removal of 5 pine trees. A crane will be used for these removals and advance notice will be sent out to the homes closeby the area before the work is scheduled. Pine trees naturally suppress the growth of nearby plants (e.g. grass) by releasing chemicals to inhibit growth of other plants. That is the reason for the sparse grass growth under the pines and the erosion of visible dirt from those hillsides.

Handyman projects

A Handyman will be selected to perform touch ups on the Main Crest sign above the Lodge and all Address signs around the Assn. Some signs are faded or show evidence of wear.

SECURITY

If you are experiencing a criminal activity, fire, or health emergency, CALL 911 for the police, the fire department or an ambulance first. Then call WRA Security at ph 282-7299. Security is under the management of the Wailuna Recreation Association WRA, which covers 3 Associations- the Heights, Townhouses and the Crest.

PET WASTE

Please dispose of pet waste properly in your own waste receptacle. Everyone is happier when our grass slopes, yard and park areas, streets and sidewalks are clean and free of droppings. THANK YOU for your cooperation in picking up responsibly, after your pets!

ACC Architecural Control Request Reminder

PRIOR to starting ANY exterior work on your property, please remember to submit an ACC request form and RECEIVE approval. This ACC work may include new installation or replacemente.g. repainting, replacement or installation of fences, gates, windows & reroofing, reinstallation of siding etc. Contact the Property Manager for further instructions, questions or concerns.

WARRANTIES EXPIRED for ORIGINAL ROOFS

The Crest original roof warranty has expired. Homeowners with original roofs should submit an ACC form to the Property Manager. After ACC approval is received, work can be scheduled and should be completed as soon as possible. *Contact Donna LaFrance, Crest Property Mgr, for more info.*

Landscaping update

Eff. June 1st, there will be a new landscaping contractor. WJS Home and Landscape will replace Hawaii National Landscaping to perform landscaping duties at the Crest. In 2016 we outsourced the landscaping work to a contractor. In 2019 these tasks have become more complex since additional considerations are arising on our property. Some areas show evidence of needing more attention than others, related landscaping issues like irrigation system timers need to be replaced. If there are landscaping or irrigation concerns, please do not address them directly to the landscaping crew. Contact our Property Manager Donna LaFrance at Hawaiian Properties and report and document your concerns to her so she can facilitate them to the contract owner.

Water conservation

Summer weather is upon us as evidenced by the hot, muggy and dry conditions. Please conserve water use by putting a nozzle on hoses and being aware of water wastefulness. Water is one of the highest expenses in the Assn and everyone can help keep costs under control by doing their part. Perhaps the most common cause of water waste is the leaky faucet. Because a dripping faucet deceptively appears to be letting out very small amounts of water, this problem is often neglected. Yet a leaking drip that is 1/32nd of an inch wastes 25 gallons in 24 hours; one that is 1/16" wastes 100 gallons in 24 hours; and a stream of 1/8" wastes 400 gallons in a 24-hour period. Check faucets regularly for leaks at the faucet head and seepage at the base and its connections.

Hurricane season runs from June-November

It seems like we just finished hurricane season but its almost upon us again starting in June. Please be prepared by having on hand essential supplies like food, water, medication and sanitation products in the event we need to shelter in place. Hawaii is a state that could suffer the effects that impacted the residents of Puerto Rico.

After Hours, Weekends or Holidays, Emergency contact ph. (808)593-9777. Please do not contact WRA Wailuna Recreation Association for Crest concerns as a substitute. WRA is a separate Assn that handles the recreational facilities & the security patrol.