

Notes from the President

Hello FQ Story. Happy 2018...I hope it's going well for you so far. The rain last month was refreshing and sorely needed. However, the wildlife seems a bit stirred as giant tortoise and coatimundi are running amuck ☺.

Meeting of the Association – Two amendments to the By-Laws dealing with election procedures were adopted by the Steering Committee and will be voted on at our next meeting. An article explaining the amendments and rationale for their implementation is in this newsletter.

Block Watch – Our CAO Ben Harris briefed us at our last meeting our recent trend of burglaries and car break ins are lower compared to past months. He believes they apprehended the individual responsible for several of the incidents, which is good news after quite a streak of NextDoor notifications. Keep up the great work on keep each other safe!

FAA Update – After the agreement on how to proceed with the court's ruling, both sides have established a meeting schedule to allow for public notification of the process and progress. See Steve Dreiseszun's article for more detailed information.

Traffic Calming – The City Council voted to approve the inclusion of the western portion of FQ Story into Area 10 of the City's Resident Permit Parking Plan. As was mentioned before, our subcommittee is working to establish a temporary resident permit parking during the fair. The first step towards this process was our neighborhood's inclusion into the plan. As temporary parking permits do not currently exist, we will be working on a proposal to submit to the City.

Home Tour – Thank you, again, to all the neighbor's that opened their home to this past tour. Many thanks to the Home Tour Subcommittee and the awesome job pulling off another event! We sold 1,747 tickets and had quite the turnout for the Holiday Street Fair. If you have any suggestions or would like to volunteer for next year's home tour, as a volunteer or home, get in contact with any of the Home Tour Subcommittee members on the contact page.

Pest Control – Chad Little of Urban Pest Management will be our guest speaker at our meeting February 13th. He will be discussing the issue of invasive pests, methods of prevention and deterrence and will take questions, so don't miss it.

Upcoming Elections – We're two months away from our next SPA Steering Committee Election being held April 1...really! If you or someone you know would like to serve on the committee, contact CJ Carenza to get your nomination application sheet. We will be sending reminders on NextDoor and Yahoo Groups so keep an eye out for the dates and deadlines.

Yahoo Groups – In years past, much of the information spread through the neighborhood was through the FQ Story message boards in Yahoo Groups. It was the primary method of communicating with neighbors until NextDoor came online. NextDoor is much easier to use and residents are more readily identified. If you have an issue with us no longer using Yahoo Groups, please let me know so we can make an informed decision in the future.

As always, please contact me if there's anything I can help with.

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