**2023 VOLUNTEER PROJECTS**

The Board of Directors would like to thank the hardworking volunteers who helped to accomplish the following projects:

**Dock Walkway Repair**

Last year the community came together to install a dock walkway by volunteer labor. This project was funded with 100% donations. Unfortunately, shortly after it was installed, a tenant drove over it with a moving truck. The landlord paid for the repairs that were made by volunteers and the $200 was donated to the HOA. Estimated labor savings: **$150**.

**Dock Wiring Improvements**

The dock was sorely in need of electrical repairs. Volunteers used 250 feet of 12/2 wire and 12 GFI boxes; 250 feet of 12.3 wire and 12 junction boxes; and 500 feet of conduit to complete this project. Lighting was added and each slip now has a first ever individual outlet. HOA Material Costs $1,500. Estimated Labor Savings **$3,840**. Electricity usage should follow.

**Dock Decking Repair**

In an another attempt to conserve HOA funds, several bowed boards on the dock were flipped and secured to the framework. Some boards were replaced. HOA Material Costs $600. Estimated Labor Savings **$3,500**.

**Sprinkler Irrigation System**

This project started when the HOA received a quote to repair one small section of the irrigation system in the amount of $1,400. It occurred to a few members of the community that (a) maybe we can do it for less and (b) maybe we can do it better. Over the course of two weeks five volunteers spent 440 hours digging 1,800 feet of trench. What was a system of unmarked wiring that was vulnerable to breakage was replaced with a network of community wide sprinkler wire encased in red conduit and a color coded mapping that will serve the community for years to come. HOA Material Costs $1,500. Estimated Labor Savings **$13,200**. Future repair cost, if any, should decrease significantly.

**Clubhouse Ceiling LED Lighting**

All fluorescent lights were replaced with efficient/cost savings LED lights. HOA Material Costs $204. Estimated Labor Savings **$180**. Electricity savings should follow.

**Community Wide Exterior Coach Light Replacement**

Teams of volunteers replaced all original exterior wall mounted coach light fixtures in front of each unit and the clubhouse front and rear. Not only are the lights attractive, but they also feature dusk to dawn and have two GFIC outlets. HOA Material Costs $4,300. Estimated Labor Savings **$3,400**.

**Pool Chair Delivery**

Six stackable sling chairs were purchased for a total cost of $1,193.25 from Leaders Furniture. If the sling material wears out, replacements can be ordered. The store wanted $170 to deliver the chairs but a volunteer came forward to pick the chairs up in Port Charlotte for $25 in gas. Estimated Delivery Savings **$145.**

**Mulch Distribution**

Two loads of red cypress mulch were delivered and promptly spread around the compound by volunteers. This work is usually done by landscapers, but it turned out to be so effective, the board will consider doing the same in the future. Our landscaping contractor, Mr. Morris graciously allowed us to use his front-end loader to deliver mulch to each planting area.

HOA Material Costs $1,370. Estimated Labor Savings **$1**,**000**.

**GRAND TOTAL SAVINGS: $25,415**

Our voluntary community members may come from different walks in life but they all have something in common: teamwork, varied skills and expertise, drive, positive attitudes and pride in our community. They continue to amaze the board with their hard work and problem-solving skills. It is this sense of work hard/play hard and simply enjoying each other's company in the process that makes our community so special. We are collectively better for it.

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