

## Common Area Landscaping and Flower Update

The winter rotations of flowers for the entrances of Grand Haven are being removed and an early change to our spring flowers will start next week. Due to the very warm winter and limited cool temperatures the flowers were having problems with fungus and have been treated several times without a good result, the decision to remove and replace was made so our Easter presentation would be beautiful. The next rotation of huge yellow and orange marigolds for spring will be in progress next week. The beds are being prepped this week and will be ready for planting next week. The marigolds were to be planted with a blended coleus but it is too early for our coleus order. The coleus will be added to the marigolds at a later date as the weather warms. We will have full beds of marigolds at each entrance making a beautiful presentation and will adjust the beds to make the additions of coleus as weather permits. The coleus should last until our fall rotation is scheduled.

In addition to the flowers change out, our North Entrance had a major tree lifting to allow the flowers to receive more sunlight. Usually the North Gate is very dark which doesn't allow the flowers to receive the proper sunlight for good color and health. Last week we removed large branches to allow sunlight to keep the flowers blooming for the residents using the North Gate. We should all see a major improvement in the flowers blooming cycle.

The Main Entrance is having some remodeling in areas that were not done during our last change due to limited budget at the time. We are removing some of the flowers inside the main gate where they were not performing well and changing their location to the sign at Lake Haven. We are adding a few very nice shrubs behind the palms and cleaning up the weak planting of liriop, which is old and not performing well. These changes will add new plants and will complete the look of a well landscape community as you enter the Main Gate.

The circle islands on Front Street are scheduled for remodel in the next few weeks. This remodel will complete the circle island remodels. We are now going thru the completed islands and replacing any plants that did not perform well during the winter and each island will be reviewed and changes to correct any problems will be made in the next few weeks.

The tennis court remodel will start shortly and the new landscape mockup will be posted on the website for your review. Keep in mind these are renderings and things may change slightly at installation time. The courts will be clean, beautiful and I am sure will make the courts look beautiful.

I hope the residents of Grand Haven have visited the parks along Front Street to enjoy the newly remodeled parks. With the addition of pavers and new landscape, I hope you visit the parks to enjoy the view! The Gazebo will be our next project to repair the pavers and make the surface level and safe.

Thank you and enjoy your community.

As always,

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