**Manager’s Review**

**January 2018**

There are several subjects to note for the January 2018 Manager’s Report. It may not be the biggest news or priority but I have chosen to start with having reached what is one of the pinnacles of my 10 plus years as Property Manager of Adriel Hills.

Through the contacts and acquaintance of Vic Meline as well as his and Laurie Sneider’s company we recently visited William and Gloria Vigor. As many of you know, Mr. Vigor and his wife were the original developers of Adriel Hills. We thoroughly enjoyed our visit and learned many facts and dispelled fictions regarding this wonderful community which was the brain child of Mr. Vigor over forty five years ago.

The concept and layout including open space view corridors, building styles and variety of, were those of Mr. Vigor. Bill personally did a lot of the concrete work including the building’s foundations and floors. Mrs. Vigor worked with the original purchasers of the homes on desired upgrades, color schemes, etc. Mr. Vigor personally planted the Blue Spruce trees on the entry drive and was apparently very hands on.

As Bill was a true sportsman, he had stocked the golf course pond with large trout for catch and release fly fishing as well as hunted geese from the back porch of his home here. Bill indicated it was never their intention that the golf course would expand to the large green belt on the canal and the name Adriel including street names are from the old testament of the Bible. Mr. Vigor did other well-known developments in Fort Collins as well as Vail and Grand County which he accessed by flying his own airplane. If you have been to the new Scheels Sporting Goods store in Johnstown you will see numerous trophy animal mounts originally taken by Mr. Vigor which he donated to Scheels.

It was tremendously enjoyable visit and my thanks to one of Adriel Hills own icons, Vic Meline for arranging our visit.

**Annual Meeting:** From where it all began, now to the 2017 annual meeting, there were many outstanding points of the annual meeting including the meeting was well attended, very positive and thanks to Bonita, it again came off without a hitch.

Additional items to note were an extensive list of involved volunteer community members including outgoing board members, to volunteers organizing events, to watering shrubs and to painting gutters. The message was twofold appreciation to those who give their time and the continued high level of community spirit. My personal thanks to all as well.

James Long our new Operations Foreman was introduced. James is a graduate of CSU with a degree in Landscape Architecture and previously owned a local landscape design, install and maintenance business. Please welcome James as he becomes familiar with the community.

**Entry Way:** Many of you have asked questions regarding the recent damage that occurred at the entry. We pursued the specifics of the accident soon after it occurred and continue to learn more details.

A vehicle going west on Mountain Vista Dr. went through the stop sign at 50 miles per hour, ran over our landscape boulders, hit the brick column, veered left and hit the pickup truck our security service representative was driving when leaving Adriel Hills after securing the clubhouse. The truck was totaled, the security representative hospitalized with broken ribs and the west bound driver arrested by Colorado State Patrol assisted by Larimer County Sheriffs’ Department. Adriel Hills has enlisted the help of a board member with a legal background to pursue reimbursement for damages.

Adriel Hills is very fortunate to have a retired mason as a resident who offered his services to replace the brick column. We are very thankful to Ed Dermyer for the exceptional work and timely job rebuilding the brick column. Thank you Ed! James replaced the post lamp and with that the majority of the damage has already been repaired.

**Cats and Dogs:** Whether it is the mild weather or just time for a reminder, per our Rules and Regulations, all cats and dogs are to be on leashes at all times when outside. Repeat offenders will receive warning letters and notice of possible fine. Regardless of the time of year or size of what the pet leaves behind, it must be cleaned up promptly and consistently. Thank you in advance for your cooperation in being a conscience pet owner and considerate neighbor.

**Christmas Considerations:** From the residents who have donated to the staff lunch fund, brought the staff lunch, have had the staff to their home for lunch, brought a bag/basket of treats, after hours beverages or a homemade Kalua cake, the list goes on, we thank you! The staff and I are extremely blessed and grateful to those of you that have gone out of your way to show us your appreciation at the Holidays and in many cases year round!

Please accept my personal thank you and wish for all an outstanding 2018!

Ralph