



**Greetings from Grenelefe!**

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Muggy, Buggy, Hot, and not a breeze to be found! At least until this afternoon when the rain storms hits. Thank goodness the drought is over. It was the longest drought in 15 years. Up until a week ago, we had recorded only 5 inches of rain for the year which is very low for this time of year. Now that the afternoon rains have started, we can start doing this year's plant installs. The wet, warm weather brings out the best when it comes to our landscaping.

The Association is in the process of changing out all of the smoke detectors in the units throughout the property. This is being done by our HVAC technicians. If you have not had yours replaced, they will be by sometime this year to complete the change. The National Fire and Safety guidelines for replacing smoke detectors is every 10 years and ours have reached that age. The good news is that the new detectors are equipped with lithium batteries that are sealed into the detectors. These batteries will last 10 years, so there is no replacing batteries every year and you won't have that annoying chirping noise the detectors make when the batteries get low. If we do not have a key to your unit, or you have renters, please make arrangements with the Association office to allow us to access your unit for the change out.

The west side trash area has moved down the street to its new location on Burnway Road. It is located south of where it was before. The reason for the move was that we wanted to give the trash disposal area a better, cleaner look and install cameras and lighting to discourage illegal dumping. The original site was located on the developer's property and the Association did not want to invest money into an area that was not on Association property.

I would like to remind you that all front screen doors, screen rooms, French patio doors and washers and dryers installed in units must follow the procedures set forth by the Design Review Committee. The first step in getting approved is to stop by the Association office and pick up a copy of the policy and the application or if you have access to the web, print them off from our website at [grenelefecondomium.com](http://grenelefecondomium.com). Fill out the application and return it to the Association for approval before installing any of these.

For those of you with pets, the Association pet policy states that if your pet is outside, it must be on a leash held by a person. Also, it is not ok to leave your pet out on the balcony where it can go to the bathroom and drop down on the patio of your downstairs neighbor, nor is it ok to leave your pet tied out to your back patio unattended on a leash. These rules protect you, your pet and other residents in the community. There is a good chance that any body of water out here at Grenelefe has a good sized gator even though you may not see them. They are very

patient stalkers and can move with lightning speed when they want to. Keeping your pet on a leash will keep it safe from a potential gator attack. Also, unfortunately, I need to mention that you need to pick up waste from your pet. It is not ok to leave pet waste on the lawn, in the bushes or in any of the common areas. Pet owners are responsible for cleaning up after them.

Due to the fact that most of the patios and balconies face the golf courses and other condominiums, there are restrictions as to what can be kept on them. Here is the list of items that are not allowed:

Garbage cans, automotive parts, tires, watercraft, boat motors, boxes and storage bins, coolers, indoor furniture and items intended for indoor use, appliances, exercise equipment, dead plants, empty planters and flower pots, firewood, building materials, table saws, drill presses and workbenches. Blankets, sheets, quilts and tarps are not to be used to cover items on patios.

If you have any questions about the rules and policies of the Association, our website is full of information for you to explore. We have developed several publications such as our "Welcome to Grenelefe" guides for owners and renters that have easy-to-understand basic rules about living out here in the condominiums and includes a lot of the information I referenced above.

As always, it is a pleasure to serve you and my staff and I look forward to seeing you when you are in town.

Sincerely,

Chris Gourdie  
General Manager