



SVLA BOARD PRESIDENT

BRIAN BICKHART

I hope everyone had a great 4th of July. The SVLA fireworks show was amazing as usual. I wanted to explain how our process works for code enforcement citations. Since we do not disclose member discipline in open meetings, some people believe there is some sort of selective enforcement going on. I can assure you this is not the case. The association's only tool to promote enforcement when it comes to landscaping, home maintenance, etc. is fines. Many homes in SVL that don't look so good have fines accumulating, some for years. In these cases, we can only lien properties and when the home transfers, we collect. We cannot, however, foreclose for these fines. Foreclosure on the part of the association is reserved for HOA fees only. Most often these fines get paid shortly after being issued. Most complaints we receive about fines are about the lack of a courtesy notice. Courtesy notices are sent through the mail and in the form of a door hanger. It appears that

these are often overlooked. After a certain amount of time, without correction, these courtesy notices elevate to fines. Please, when you receive a courtesy notice, if you cannot complete repairs in a timely manner, contact the association. The staff can give you recommendations on how to proceed and grant you sufficient time to complete repairs. Our goal is for everyone's home and yard to be beautiful and in compliance, not to collect fees. Also, if your courtesy notice requires changes to your landscaping, architectural approval may be required. The feedback I'm getting is that our code enforcement team is doing a great job. Any SVLA members who would like to see a heightened level of code enforcement, please attend our meetings, especially meetings regarding the budget, as increased code enforcement will come by way of increases to our labor budget. Hope everyone has a great month and, as always, see you at the next open meeting!



SWIM AREA

AT THE BEACH WILL BE CLOSED

FOR MAINTENANCE



**THE SWIM AREA WILL CLOSE AT 5:00PM
EVERY WEDNESDAY AND REOPEN AT
6:00 AM ON THURSDAY, EVERY WEEK.**

JULY EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION **Victor Tirado**

