

A Changing of the Guard



A historic change is coming to The Quintet – Mr. Jose Correa is retiring.

Over three decades, Mr Correa has become a center piece of our community.

Jose wanted to retire two years ago, but the HOA was simply not prepared to replace him. The Board tried to identify, vet and hire a replacement – without success.

We asked Jose to un-retire—he graciously obliged.

This time, though, it appears to be for real.

Thirty-plus years of Board members have come and gone. Property management has continuously evolved.

Jose has been here through it all, providing critical facilities management expertise. Turns off fire alarms when no one else can! Always takes time to help an owner in a pinch. And always with a smile on his face - one of the most gracious men you'll ever meet.

Jose has kindly agreed to remain on staff until mid-October, to provide two weeks of turnover and pass down to his replacement.

At Mr Correa's request, there will no parade. No marching band. No ceremony of any kind.

But please take the opportunity over the next few weeks to say "thank you" to this very special person who has done so much to hold this place together. Cards, letters and notes can be left with Maria.

Though it's virtually impossible to replace Jose and his thirty years of experience, we must try.

Fortunately, the other half of our maintenance team, Pedro Correa, is quite capable – but he can't do it alone.

The task of hiring Jose's replacement was handed off to our new property management company – Bluestone Real Estate Services (BRS.)

Under our contract with BRS, they will provide a full-time, on-site maintenance technician who will work alongside Pedro.

This on-site, two-person team will work under the direction of Bluestone's Maintenance and Engineering department.

Other changes are in store as well – Pedro has understandably grown tired of working weekends. BRS tells us if we want Jose's replacement to become a long-term fixture at the Q, having weekends off will be an important factor.

But without maintenance staff here to monitor water quality, Washington county regulations would require the pool/spa to be shut down over the weekend.

At the Sep 12 meeting, the Board approved the installation of an automated system to monitor water quality and adjust pH and chlorine levels as necessary. It's not a "set it and forget it" system but will allow us to keep the pool/spa open through the weekend without a staff member on site. This will allow our maintenance team to work a conventional 40 hr week Monday - Friday. We will not have staff here on weekends.

In the short term, Pedro will be taking the next thirty days off for a medical procedure and follow on rehab. Jose will work four days a week (Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri.)

On Oct 1, BRS will assume management responsibilities, bringing with them our new full-time maintenance tech.