

Saturday
May 14, 2011

Pool Repairs

Perhaps you've noticed construction at the pool. If you're curious, here's what is happening:

Last summer the pool developed a leak that could not be addressed without disrupting the pool season. Pool leaks are difficult to locate and repair, so the Board decided to search for a pool leak and repair specialist during the Fall and – if time, weather and finances were favorable – to do repairs at that time. They weren't; so, in planning the 2011 budget we estimated the repair cost (based on similar projects we've done) and set aside funds for it.

Meanwhile, as many of you know, we were not satisfied with the performance of Clear Blue, last summer's pool management company. So, in planning for this season we explored new management companies as well as pool leak specialists. We signed with Sparkling Pool to manage our pool for 2011 because they have an excellent reputation for management and a proven track record in dealing with leaks and repairs.

During May, Sparkling did a leak investigation with electronic instruments, a diver, and other methods. They located breaks in three pipelines.



Scuba diver testing the main drains

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After the leaks were located, Thursday and Friday they excavated and replaced the broken sections.



They did pressure tests today (Saturday) to check the success of the repairs. They'll do some more on Monday and if all is well everything will be put back to normal on Monday and Tuesday, weather permitting (although they've already done a lot of work during heavy rain, so I wouldn't worry too much about weather).

There was also a cave-in (unrelated to the leak, apparently) on the opposite side of the pool. We repaired that earlier last week.

It's always possible we may find another leak as the 2011 season goes on, but Sparkling advises us we can almost certainly wait until the Fall to address that, if it occurs. Right now there is no reason to expect further leaks.

Hopefully, we'll have spectacular weather for our opening weekend (Saturday, May 28 – Monday, May 30) and I'll see you at the pool. Pool applications, passes, etc., are the responsibility of IMPAC and they will be contacting all residents about that.

Sincerely,

Paul Sagona
Master Association Board President