

## **Guidelines for Knotwood Privacy Screens**

The information below will give you guidelines as to how to keep the knotwood privacy screens in pristine shape and how to keep the new caps on top of the pony walls in great shape as well.

### **Privacy Screens:**

1. We have asked Evergreen Railing, the company that has installed the Knotwood privacy screens how to get the maximum long-term value out of them. What we have learned is that we should not have anything fixed to the panels by bolts, screws, ties, or any other type of attachment. No hangers, lights, or trellises.
2. This product is aluminum which could scratch if you are hanging something that has weight or is metal.
3. It is suggested that if you have for example a hanging basket, artwork, or a hummingbird feeder with metal stands, please place them in the containers that the association provides or your own containers as well. This way the geofoam (which makes up the platform inside the containers) will not be punctured. Please do not penetrate the geofoam as we do not want to cause an issue with its integrity.
4. If there are bird droppings or soil that splatters out of containers onto the privacy screens just use a mild soap, such as dawn, and paper towels, sponge, or other types of soft cloth to wipe the knotwood down. Even just using water should take care of it.
5. The suggestion made regarding the knotwood material is; anything you would wash your car with is conducive to the correct type of product. No glass cleaner or harsh products.

### **Metal Caps:**

1. There are now metal caps located on top of the pony wall where lid leaks and privacy screens have been installed. The purpose of these caps is to prevent water from running down the cement walls. There is a small “wing” on both sides of the cap and this is what helps move the water away from the wall.
2. It is metal and therefore if you choose to put something like a small container or piece of art on it, please make sure it has a rubber/plasticized bottom so it will not scratch the surface.

If you have further questions regarding the above guidelines, please do not hesitate to contact me or Pat Smaaladen the Landscape Chair.

Thank you,  
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