

September 6, 2021

Dear Neighbors,

The past week has taken its toll physically, mentally, and emotionally. We take for granted the simplest things: food, water, gasoline to run errands, our safety, electricity for comfort, ability to do things simultaneously like cooking, washing clothes, cleaning the house. How about staying in touch with those about whom we care, letting the dogs out, saying "Hi," to our neighbors, knowing that if we need medical services, we just place a call. Well, well, well. Did we get a taste of reality!

I understand. We're frustrated, aggravated, even angry. By comparison, we were very, very lucky. The storm knocked the socks off many, many others who never expected it. Extreme flooding, torrential rainfall, severe destruction, even deaths occurred. Now imagine our community had the storm traveled a more direct path to us.

I don't know how many of our homeowners remember or even heard of Nash Roberts years ago. He didn't have all the fancy technology TV uses. He used paper and pencil, charted a graph, made his predictions and he was always correct. We have our own Nash Roberts right here in Moonraker Island. John, who is on the levee board, made his own predictions just like Nash Roberts, and just like Nash Roberts, John was right on with his calculations.

This brings me to the important vote about to take place in early October. We have a decision to make; that is to accept a millage to maintain the protection system afforded to us. There is a tremendous amount of funds waiting for us to get our protection, but the federal, state, and local authorities willing to bank the building of our system will not maintain it. That will be our responsibilities. It will save us money on flood insurance, increase property values, and protect us during storms. Protecting us gives us peace of mind, something on which we can't place a monetary value. Support us, support our neighborhood, support everyone involved. More later on this...

Please don't forget our Prayer Vigil rescheduled Thursday, September 16 on the triangle. Perhaps we should add a thank you to the One in control. I don't know about you, but I feel blessed regardless of this week's past inconveniences.

One more thing. I had no service from Spectrum, no permanent cell phone, no computer service to communicate with our members. Please don't think I didn't care.

Bonnie Peyroux