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Safety/Security Report to Board

Joyce and I observed during the Octoberfest, several residents using the pillars and railings to assist themselves in stepping up into the Gazebo. We are proposing the addition of wrought iron railings to be installed on each side of the entrance steps, both north and south side. A simple single-footed railing would do the job. These railing can be ordered from Home Depot and delivered for free to a home in the Villages. I did pose a question to the manufacturer about installing on a Teck deck, and was assured it could be done, and the units come with the installation materials to do so. The total cost with tax would be \$435. I believe this is something a volunteer could install with no difficulty.

The product recommended is from Vevor, will fit a one or two step.

We believe this will provide a safer entry environment for all residents.

A resident expressed concern about a wobbly railing on one of the bridges, an inspection was then made of all bridge railings. Two bridges were found to have loose railings. Working with Landscaping Committee and TAL, repairs were begun- the bridge over the west pond was found to have significant rot. It was closed to foot traffic for safety reasons. It will reopen when repairs are completed.