

## **Parking Committee**

**Perhaps the most visible indicator that we live in Bixby Village is the ubiquitous vehicle sticker placed on most of our windshields. For this good work we have one of our own neighbors to thank, Bev Pandora. The windshield vehicle sticker clearly links the owner of the car to a Bixby Village address and insures that the Association can contact the car owner if for various reasons the car has been left on the street for several days without movement. If there is no sticker and no other obvious ownership information available, an abandoned car is potentially subject to towing. If all your vehicles are not registered with the Association, please give Bev a call at 597-9976 to arrange a time to provide her with your license number and she'll provide the numbered vehicle sticker--and all this for free! It doesn't get any better than that.**

**Bixby Village is governed by a set of rules we have all freely chosen to live with, with the goal of making our community a special place to live. One of these important self-made rules relates to parking. Our homeowner documents require that the first two operable vehicles be parked in the owner's garage. Operable vehicles beyond two can of course be parked in the common area. Other than that specific circumstance the common area parking is primarily intended for guests.**

**The Parking Committee is charged with the task of encouraging all homeowners to park their two cars within their garage. Fortunately, most homeowners over the years have cooperated with this requirement and the result is plain to see: a nice, uncluttered community with generally ample parking for visitors. There are occasionally exceptions however and this is where the Parking Committee has been asked by the Board to urge homeowners to comply with the parking requirements.**

**The Parking Committee will from time to time review parking compliance in various streets, particularly in response to requests from neighbors. If you receive an inquiry on parking, the Parking Committee asks your cooperation in taking those steps to free up space in your garage for two operable vehicles. No matter what any of us might choose to do if we lived in a typical single family home outside of Bixby Village, we do not have the option of using our garage either for a machine shop or as a storage shed for non-vehicles. The rules we have chosen to live by absolutely require that the garage be kept clear of other items to permit two operable vehicles to be parked.**

**The necessary part of the Parking Committee is the initiation of a fine procedure if a homeowner fails to comply with the community's parking rules. Upon action of the Parking Committee and referral to the full Board, the Board will hold a hearing at which the homeowner can make the case as to why the parking requirements should not apply in his/her circumstance. If the Board does not agree and the homeowner fails to meet the parking requirements, a fine can be levied. At the**

**Board's discretion, the fine can be repeated every month and will be a debit on the homeowner's account.**

**The Parking Committee consists of other residents of Bixby Village. All homeowners are free to join; just come to a meeting. If you have questions or wish to raise an issue before the Parking Committee, we meet monthly on the fourth Thursday of the month at the Clubhouse, commencing at 5:00 PM. If you have a complaint, we request that you give us the specifics in writing and provide your name and contact information. This can be sent either to the HOA or to the chair of the Parking Committee, Carl Schiermeyer, at [c.schiermeyer@verizon.net](mailto:c.schiermeyer@verizon.net).**