# Lucerne Lakes Homes South





**Newsletter May 2019** 





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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Summer is on its way and the snowbirds are "flying" north. Always remember to stay hydrated and cool as you enjoy South Florida.

At the April Board meeting we reported on the following:

- The Board held two extra meetings in April.
   April 2<sup>nd</sup> was a special meeting at which the Board held an executive session (only Board members were in attendance) to discuss litigation and our legal documents. April 10<sup>th</sup> was a special public meeting to determine the results of the parcel proxy vote.
- Many electrical issues were discovered and repaired or corrected at the clubhouse and pool.
- The Entertainment Committee had a successful St. Patrick's Dinner with 41 people in attendance.
- The Master HOA will be repairing bad cracks and tree root issues on Lucerne Lakes Boulevard walkway.
- Three new homeowners purchased houses in the past month.
- Only 118 households voted on the property proxy, which means 118 households did <u>not</u> vote. The issue died because of insufficient votes.
- The Clubhouse will be repainted inside and outside in the next month.
- The Board voted to resurface the pool and pool deck pending a review of the contactor's work at other pools.
- The Board voted to resurface the two community parking lots near the Clubhouse.
- The broken water fountain inside the clubhouse will be replaced with a handicap accessible version

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# Memorial Day BASH May 27, 2019



This is a free event!

Join us for a day of fun filled activities\* including:

\*Suffleboard (it's back!), beginning at 2:30

\*Dinner starting approximately at 5:00 p.m.

(or after shuffleboard games conclude)

The menu includes:
hot dogs, potato salad,
cole slaw, beans, condiments,
drinks, and dessert

& \*50/50 raffle



Call Arlene at 561-966-0495 by May 24th to register for shuffleboard and/or dinner. Shuffleboard teams will be posted on the bulletin board at the pool patio on Sunday, May 26th.

#### **Community Contacts**

#### **Board President:**

Ed Hinkle 717-656-8910

**Recreation Area/Pool Issues:** 

Ed Hinkle 717-656-8910

#### **Community Property Issues:**

Michelle Hugan 561-969-0871

#### **Architectural Review Committee (ARC):**

Trixie Kinn 561-312-9840

#### **Entertainment Committee:**

Arlene Stropoli 561-966-0495

#### **Clubhouse Social Calendar:**

Jean Pasqua 561-641-2046

#### **Master Association Representative:**

Ed McClung 954-801-6130

#### **Non-Emergency Sheriff's Office**

561-688-3400

#### **GRS Management:**

Lisa Riddle 561-641-8554, ext. 107

These are the people to contact for information regarding their respective committees.

#### **GRS Website/Lucerne Lakes HOA Information:**

Go to www.grsmgt.com, "Find Your Community", "luc", "Lucerne Lakes HOA"

#### **Need Info from a Prior Newsletter?**

You can now re-visit 2017/2018 newsletters by accessing them through the GRS website at:

www.grsmgt.com/association/lucern-lakes/newsletters



#### PERSONAL SERVICES BY JAYNE Lucerne Lakes Resident (954) 328-2588

Professional retired woman with excellent references

- \* Holiday decorating; putting up; taking down
- \* Shopping, running errands, other misc.
- \* Transportation -- groceries, doctor, airport, etc.
- \* Cable box and modem replacement, hookup
- \* IPad, IPhone assistance
- \* Attic storage, retrieval / Garage organization
- \* Watch your house, pets, while you're out of town

### **Jewelry Making**

The Arts and Crafts Group which meets each Monday at 10:30 a.m., is seeking someone who would be willing to teach jewelry making. Please contact



Marge at 561-310-8687 if you are interested or know someone who may be interested in teaching this class.

The Association does not accept responsibility for the content of any advertisements in the Community newsletter.

#### **Activities Corner**

#### Weekly

**Textiles and Crafts**: Mondays, 10:30-12:00 p.m. at the

Clubhouse. Contact Marge at 561-642-7364.

**Card Games**: Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Clubhouse.

Contact Jayne Subwick at 954-328-2588 for times. Canasta: Wednesdays, 1:30 p.m. at the Clubhouse.

Contact Marie at 561-310-8687.

Water Exercise Class: Fridays, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

(weather permitting).

#### Monthly

LLHOA Meeting: May 15, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at the

Lucerne Lakes Clubhouse

Master Board Meeting: May 21, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at

Tahiti Lane Clubhouse

**Citizens on Patrol (COP) Meeting**: This group meets the third Friday of each month at Lucerne Point Satellite Clubhouse on Tahiti Lane. Contact Harold Shulman at 561-967-1919 for more details.



#### **JUDY SIROIS**

Judy, the voluntary chair yoga instructor, has returned to her summer home. The members of the chair yoga class would like to thank Judy for her time, patience, and perseverance in teaching this worthwhile class. We look forward to your return in winter.

Namaste, Judy!

#### (President's Message continued from the front page)

 Bob LaSalle was voted to fill a vacant position on the Board for a term that will end in January 2020. He also was appointed and accepted the position of Board Treasurer.

The Board was elected by you to serve you. If you have questions, please call one of us.

Have a wonderful and safe Memorial Day. Please take a moment to think about and honor those brave men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice in serving our nation.

Ed Hinkle, Board President

If you have any articles or additions to the monthly newsletter please forward them to Beth at <a href="mailto:nanahink@gmail.com">nanahink@gmail.com</a> or contact Ed Hinkle, Board President at 717-656-8910 or <a href="mailto:edwardchinkle@gmail.com">edwardchinkle@gmail.com</a>.

# ....and they're off!

# JOIN US FOR THE RUN FOR THE ROSES!

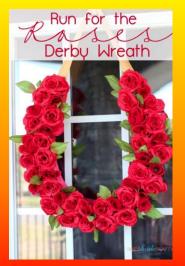
There's still time to sign up for the <u>Kentucky Derby</u> Event on May 4, 2019

THIS IS A REALLY LAID BACK EVENT IN THE CLUBHOUSE.

COST IS \$5.00. COME AT 5:30 AND ENJOY SNACKS AND BET ON THE RACE.

WATCH THE RACE AT APPOXIMATELY 6:30
AND PARTAKE OF PIZZA, DRINKS AND DESSERT.
FOR RESERVATIONS AND PAYMENTS,
PLEASE CONTACT ARLENE AT
561-966-0495 BY MAY 2<sup>ND</sup>.

P.S. Ladies, wear your finest hat and guys, make sure you don your ascot!







Please, say hello to these new residents in our neighborhood!

#### **Timothy & Gail Cornelius**

7199 Pineforest Circle 561-267-9322 (Timothy) 561-567-9327 (Gail)

Timcorneliusinc@yahoo.com

Previous owners: David & Michele Condito

#### Jonathan & Barbara Boykin

561-309-8142 (Barbara-cell) 7348 Pineforest Circle

Previous owners: Jonathan Boykin & Kathy Maenza

#### **Carmen Ortiz**

4458 Pine Lake Court Previous owner: Carlos Torres

#### **Condolences**

The Community wishes to extend our sympathies to Marie McGuire on the loss of her Mother.



# **Preparing Your Trees for a Hurricane**

As much as we hate to admit it, hurricanes and tropical storms hit Florida almost every year often causing extensive damage to land-scapes and buildings. You can easily make your property more hurricane resistant so you are less likely to suffer



damage during a storm. If you're a do-it-yourself-er, May is a good time to think about pruning your trees and shrubs as the weather is cooler than in the summer months.

<u>Some</u> suggestions as to handling tree and shrub pruning include:

- Throughout the year, train young trees so they
  develop a sturdy, well-spaced framework of healthy
  branches along a dominant trunk. Maintain this
  form as far up into the tree as possible by reducing
  the length of competing stems and branches.
- Remove all dead palm fronds and branches.
- Overly long branches should be shortened and branches with cracks removed or shortened.
- Branches with the same diameter as the trunk should be shortened and the outer edges (not the interior) of the canopy should be thinned, making your tree less likely to be blown over.
- Low branches close to your house should be removed or shortened.
- When in doubt about a "plan of attack" for pruning, call an arborists or landscaping expert.



## **Understanding Proxy Voting**

Your HOA Board is thankful for the 50% of the residents that voted in the last Proxy vote regarding specific, unused property in the Community. However, the Board is also disappointed in the remaining number of households who did <u>not</u> vote in this Proxy vote. Our concern is not about the outcome of the vote. It's the



fact that only 118 households out of 236 households voted at all. The Board uses the Proxy process for important issues that require the entire Community to express their opinion and share in the outcome. As expressed in the last Proxy letter, which was sent to all property owners, it was explained that each household <u>could</u> be responsible for a \$420 special assessment fee which may be used to maintain a piece of property most households cannot use. Please understand, the Board is open and prepared to discuss this issue until it is resolved.

Also know, another/different Proxy vote could happen in in the near future which involves our current governing documents. The HOA documents are outdated by Florida laws and/or court decisions. As the documents stand now, the Board currently cannot collect legal costs on properties that are having legal difficulties. Those costs, sometimes in the thousands of dollars, are the responsibility of the HOA and each of the 236 households in our community. If we do not pass changes to our governing documents with the next Proxy, the Board could pass those lost fees on to the 236 households by way of a special assessment.

If you don't understand what to do with the next Proxy letter you receive, please call any Board member so we can walk you through the process and answer any of your questions. It is very important that you get involved. Vote, for or against upcoming issue(s), but make sure you vote! It is the only way your governing body can work effectively for you!



# Remembering.....

Memorial Day will take place on May 27<sup>th</sup> this year and is celebrated across the United States. It is a very important holiday that remembers those who died for the Country. This special day serves to remind people of the costly price of war.

Previously known a Decoration Day, it originated in the years following the Civil War and became an official federal holiday in 1971. Many Americans observe Memorial Day by visiting cemeteries or memorials.

As you go about your festivities on May 27<sup>th</sup>, it would be appropriate to take a few minutes to remember those brave men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice in defense of our great nation and helped preserve our liberties.

