

MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER PLANTATION HOMEOWNERS, INC.

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NOTICE: At this printing, and in light of current health concerns regarding Coronavirus (COVID-19), HOA BUSINESS CONTINUES, but facilities are closed and many activities postponed or cancelled. See the insert to this newsletter and visit the website for updates.

SPRING HAS ARRIVED!

Manager's Notes: Thanks for all the resident calls and notes letting us know your appreciation for recent improvements in the appearance and maintenance of common grounds and facilities. We are on a roll and continue at a fast pace adding value to our community and HOA. Highlights since the last newsletter include the refurbishment and improvements to the main pool house, the completed and pending resurface of the various tennis courts, and the removal of diseased and storm damaged trees. Additionally, we are looking at possible replacement of the Wingate pool house which has deteriorated and continues to suffer structural foundation issues, as well as replacement of the failed and obsolete wood deck over the lake near the clubhouse. We were forced to close the deck after an engineering safety inspection. Very excitedly, the Manager recently hosted a meeting with heads of various Hillsborough County Service units to address sidewalk and roadway repairs, crosswalk safety enhancements, roadway and storm sewer issues, and pond overflow structure repairs. Also, County was reminded of required crosswalk and median ADA compliance.

Note, this newsletter is delivered cost and postage free by Plantation Soccer League volunteers. Thanks teams & players!

A quick reminder, we have Spanish speaking staff available at the office

INCLUDED IN THIS EDITION:

PAYMENT OF ASSESSMENTS - POOL PASSES - EASTER BUNNY ARRIVAL AND EGG HUNT - DEED RESTRICTIONS ENFORCEMENT - COURTESY PATROL -
BULK ITEM DISPOSAL - ADULT SPORTING EVENTS - ADULT EVENTS - BELLEFIELD VILLAGE - PET CONTROL/CLEANUP - SPEEDING - COUNTY/UTILITY SERVICES -
RECENT GREAT ACCOMPLISHMENTS - EXCITING ONGOING PROJECTS

PAYMENT OF ASSESSMENTS

For direct payments by mail with coupon or electronically through a bank or a bill pay agency, your payments made payable to the HOA should be mailed or directed to Plantation Homeowners, Inc, c/o Cadence Bank, P.O. Box 49228, Sarasota, Florida 34230-6228. Include your unit account number on the check and transmittal documents. See the HOA website for setting up the preferred payment option of automatic debit from your bank account or for the link for credit card payments. Assessments are due on the 1st of each month. Unpaid accounts after the 14th of the month are delinquent and an administrative late fee of \$25 will be automatically attached to your account. Homeowners still paying at the office are strongly encouraged to join the growing number of others who mail their assessments with coupons to the bank or utilize modern, electronic means for payments. *As of this printing, the offices and clubhouse are closed to residents and the public due to COVID-19 concerns. Drop boxes for payment of assessments are outside the main entrance door and at the new auto drop-off station in the main parking lot.*

POOL PASSES

Due to COVID-19 concerns, pools are closed and issuance of pool passes for the summer season is postponed.

EASTER BUNNY ARRIVAL AND EGG HUNT

The Annual Easter Egg hunt in April has been canceled due to COVID-19 concerns. Peter, the Easter Bunny has postponed his visit.

DEED RESTRICTION ENFORCEMENT

Many folks are catching up on exterior lot and home maintenance. Thanks! The Association continues to focus on consistent and impartial enforcement of deed restrictions. To avoid expensive legal fees, homeowners cited for maintenance issues are strongly urged to respond early and keep the HOA informed of progress. The Association continues to focus on pressure washing and repair of homes, junk removal, replacement of fences, and removal of improperly displayed vehicles. The newest initiative involves the repair and maintenance of mailboxes.

COURTESY PATROL IS NOT LAW ENFORCEMENT

Call 911 for active criminal activity, fire, or danger to life. Otherwise, contact Sheriff's non-emergency line at 813-247-8200.

PLEASE BE COURTEOUS WHEN STREET PARKING. AVOID BLOCKING NEIGHBORS DRIVEWAY ACCESS, MAILBOXES, AND TRASH CONTAINERS. KEEP SIDEWALKS FREE FOR OUR MANY DISABLED RESIDENTS, CHILD STROLLERS, AND KIDS. SIDEWALKS ARE FOR PEDESTRIAN SAFETY.

DISCARDED BULK ITEMS SUCH AS MATTRESSES, FURNITURE, APPLIANCES AND SUCH MUST NOT BE LEFT ON THE LOT OR CURBSIDE UNLESS ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE WITH THE COUNTY (813) 272-5680 FOR A PRE-PAID SPECIAL PICK-UP. Abandoned items left at the curb by inconsiderate residents may be picked up by a commercial hauler for the HOA and the homeowner will be charged a much higher fee than the county would charge. Let the HOA office know of a pending pickup to avoid an HOA citation and charge.

ADULT SPORTING EVENTS

Coed Adult Sunday Softball and Friday Kickball leagues recently began play with professional umpires calling the games. As of this printing, adult sporting activities have been postponed due to COVID-19 concerns.

ADULT EVENTS

Check the marquee for scheduled adult events. As of this printing, adult events have been postponed due to COVID-19 concerns.

BELLEFIELD VILLAGE

Bellefield broken parking lot curbs have been repaired and main parking lots cleaned and restriped. Missing or broken wheel stops have been replaced in the main lots as well. New signs are being posted at lot entrances. Private parking spaces in need of replacement on the various private lots have been identified and plans are being finalized for wholesale resurface of deteriorated asphalt driveways. These costs of private lots repairs and replacements are the responsibility of the unit owners, so much coordination is necessary. Bellefield fiberglass light poles have been repainted.

PET CONTROL AND POOP CLEAN-UP

Remember, doggie owners, leash 'em and pick up after 'em! Please be neighborly. Cats cannot roam freely.

SPEEDING

The Sheriff Department's Traffic Division continues to monitor speed within Plantation and has cited over 60 drivers since the last newsletter. In addition to speeding infractions, a number of warnings have been issued for failure to stop at Stop Signs. Please watch your speed and obey traffic signs!

COUNTY & UTILITY SERVICES

Multiple communications continue with the various County offices regarding HOA issues. A major coordination meeting with a number of County staff was recently hosted by the Manager at the clubhouse. Long overdue sidewalk repairs have been initiated and repairs of storm sewer and pond overflow structures are being incorporated into official County budget planning. In response to Management insistence, TECO has finalized a complete re-grid (re-numbering) for street and park light poles, incorporating the result in an updated electronic identification and charting system. This project will result in more rapid response to light fixture outages. TECO and HOA Management are working to get village fiberglass street light poles repainted/replaced as necessary. Street and yard light electric accounts have been audited to correct ages old inaccurate billing by TECO.

YR 2018 ACCOUNTANT'S AUDIT

A copy of the 2018 HOA Audit is available free of charge to homeowners. Contact the office. The 2019 Audit is on-going.

Recent Great Accomplishments

UPGRADED MAIN POOL RESTROOMS & POOL HOUSE PAINTING - NEW POOL FURNITURE - WINGATE TENNIS COURT RESURFACED - TENNIS COURT LIGHTS REPAIRED - AT HOA REQUEST, ROADWAY LANE & MEDIAN MARKINGS REFRESHED BY COUNTY - BELLEFIELD LOTS CLEANED AND RE-STRIPED/STREET LIGHTS REPAIRED - ADDITIONAL DANGEROUS/DISEASED TREES REMOVED - PALM TRIMMING - ADDITIONAL ENTRANCE LANDSCAPING IMPROVEMENTS - SPLIT RAIL FENCES PRESSURE WASHED

Exciting On-going Projects

WALKWAYS/PATHWAY REPAIRS - ADDITIONAL POOL LIGHTING TO PERMIT LATER POOL OPERATION - REFURBISHMENT OF SOFTBALL FIELD - BASKETBALL COURT RESURFACE AND NEW GOALS - MAIN TENNIS COURTS RESURFACE - LAKESIDE DECK REPLACEMENT - SPORTS FIELDS REFURBISHMENT - LINEBAUGH/VILLAGES ENTRANCE MEDIAN BEAUTIFICATION - PLANS FOR TREE PLANTINGS ON PLANTATION BLVD - REPAINTING OF VILLAGE STREET LIGHT POLES - LIGHTING SURVEYS ONGOING TO IDENTIFY AREAS OF COMMON GROUNDS THAT COULD BENEFIT FROM ADDITIONAL ILLUMINATION DURING DARKNESS - REPAIRS TO LAKE EROSION - AT HOA REQUEST, COUNTY SIDEWALK REPAIRS, PHASE 1/ ADA ACCESSIBILITY MODIFICATIONS BY COUNTY TO BOULEVARD MEDIANS

*****OFFICIAL BULLETIN BOARD AT CLUBHOUSE ENTRANCE *****

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