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Summer Trees West

Summer Trees Homeowner Association, Inc.

A 55 and Older HOA Community

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February 2021

The annual homeowners meeting is scheduled for Saturday February 27th. Registration is 11:45 am. Meeting starts at noon. It will be held at the New Hope Baptist Church. Seating is limited to 25 homeowners. If you plan to attend you need to contact an HOA board member by Monday February 22nd. Face masks and social distancing required. Owners may ask questions by texting or calling President Bill Roberts by Friday February 26th.

For anyone unable to attend the meeting in person there will be a *Google Meet Session* available. To register please email stwhoapo@gmail.com. Please be sure the board has your email address for any last-minute news. If you are unable to attend please provide one of the board members with your proxy ASAP. Several homeowners have not returned their census please email or contact Kelly,

Due to the upcoming annual homeowners meeting on February 27th there is no monthly board meeting.

Since there are only three candidates for the board there is no election.

Grounds keepers are working on the winter-time activities of mulching leaves and trimming palmetto bushes.

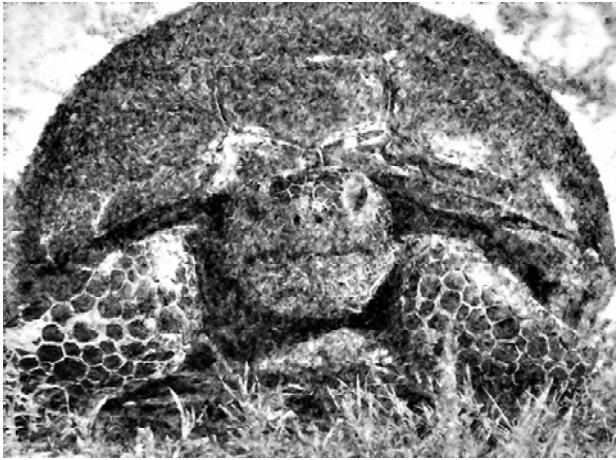
By now all owners should have received their coupon books for HOA dues. If not please contact Atlantic Community Management (386) 760-7365.

The sign committee is working on ways to help delivery and emergency personnel find their way to some of the quads located in our cul-de-sacs. After quite a few years there are many homes without acceptable signage.

If you know someone in need Vice President Don Ross has reported that there is a local food bank that has offered to drop off boxes of food. Contact Don if you know someone who may benefit.

The Summer Trees family recently lost long-time resident Ken Glass. Ken was a friend and supporter of the homeowner's association and will be missed.

The Ladies club has suspended meetings due to the virus. Meetings should be resuming soon. Please contact Mary Austin for more information.



Summer Trees Wildlife

Summer Trees West is surrounded by local wildlife including Gopher Tortoises, deer, armadillo, many bird species, squirrels and more.

An endangered species, the Gopher Tortoises usually live in dry land, well drained sandy soils usually associated with longleaf pines and dry oak sandhills.

They are protected under the Endangered Species Act and are generally found in the southeastern United States from south Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia and most of Florida.

Gopher Tortoises grow up to 15 inches long and weigh as much as 15 pounds. Their strong back legs and front feet are specialized for digging. Their burrows go from three to 50 plus feet long and over 20 feet deep. These burrows will provide refuge for a wide assortment of other species.

Gopher Tortoises can live up to 80 years in the wild but are cursed with a low reproductive rate. Only three to five percent of their young tortoises generally survive.

They lay their eggs at the entrance of the burrow making them easy prey to racoons and others. The tortoises mostly live on grasses, mushrooms, saw palmetto and low growing fruits like blackberries.

Along with another endangered species the red-cockaded woodpecker they thrive in long leaf pine forests.

Residents need to be aware that there are heavy fines and penalties associated with any interference in the Gopher Tortoise habitats.

Mission Statement

Our mission is to manage the operations of Summer Trees West to effectively maintain the community, to preserve property values, the natural surroundings and foster community spirit.

STW HOA Board of Directors and Officers

**President: Bill Roberts (386) 405-2843
Secretary: Kelly Nixon (386) 304-6828
Grounds: Tom Robertson (386) 233-8735
Director: Terry Blunk**

**Vice President: Don Ross (419) 215-3519
Treasurer: Howard Worthington (386) 756-6782
Structural Detail: Warren Schreiner (386) 315-1737**

STW HOA Committee Chairs

**Architectural Review: Linda Pelle & Bobbie Weller
Budget: Don Ross
Spectrum Community Solutions: Sue DeLiso
Compound: Ronnie & Kathy Householder
Elections: Kelly Nixon & Judy Richotte**

**Property Manager: VOLUNTEER NEEDED
Welcome: Judy Richotte
Town Crier: Linda & Eddie Hamilton
Census & Database: Barbara Jester
Lake Magnolia: Andy & Carolyn Stefaniw**

Social: Ladies Club

No meetings scheduled during COVID-19.

President: Mary Austin (240) 475-5148

Secretary: Janice Tainsh (386) 871-6640