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YOUR LOCAL NEWS

MARCH 2021

SUMMER TREES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

SUMMER TREES WEST, dba

48 Cypress Pond Road, Port Orange, FL 32128-6722

(Phase I, II, II-A, II-B)

A 55 and Older HOA Community

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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.

Here are the February 2021 Election results:

STW HOA Board of Directors and Officers

President: Bill Roberts (386) 405-2843

Vice President: Don Ross (419) 215-3519

Secretary: Kelly Nixon (386) 304-6828

Treasurer: Howard Worthington (386) 756-6782

Grounds: Tom Robertson (386) 233-8735

Structural Detail: Warren Schreiner (386) 315-1737

At-Large: Terry Blunk (813) 313-0314

Spring is right around the corner. Sunday, March 14th we "spring ahead" our clocks one hour for Daylight Savings Time. This will last until Sunday, November 7th, when we "fall back" our clocks one hour. Do we need a "Don't change the time!" committee?

The February 27, 2021 Members Meeting was special. We were in person and "virtual" for the first in STW history. We finally joined the 21st Century techies. We had a lot of help from our behind the scenes tech support people. Thank you to everyone who dared to help us out....it was a success!

When you have the time and you haven't done so already, please take a few minutes to read the attached Gopher Turtle pamphlets. Valuable information will help you understand why they're a protected species. Florida Wildlife Commission (FWC) lists on their website many other protected species as well. Every species has its own special habitat that is protected, too.

The pool will be having some replacement tile work and Marcite application on the filter tank this month. Expect some days when the pool will be closed to swimmers.

Longer daylight hours will initiate the grass growing season. We mow on a rotating schedule in your area on an "every-other-week" basis. When we hit a dry spell with no rain, Gales Cone gives the grass a break from mowing until the rains return.

Hopefully, the Covid-19 virus pandemic will "herd" itself out this year. People would enjoy getting back to a normal lifestyle of social get-togethers. We miss our travels, parties, meetings, luncheons, card games and family visitations. ... and many other activities we've had to put on hold.

Our next regular board meeting is March 11, 2021 at the New Hope Baptist Church, 6pm – 8pm. Covid-19 restrictions are still practiced with required masks, occupancy caps and social distancing.

The new light pole at the guardrail was hit on Friday, February 26th when a speeder lost control traveling in excess of 40mph. This is a case when Newton's 1st Law comes to mind: "An object will not change its motion unless a force acts on it." A posted residential 25mph speed limit is modified at the beginning of this particular curve: 15mph! Maybe, with all the Advent Health Hospital construction going on, drivers not familiar with ST Rd. may think it's quicker to avoid the traffic snarls. Luckily, the young lad was unhurt, the pole is still standing and the lamp is still operational. FPL, who owns the pole, has been petitioned copious times for its relocation. The City of Port Orange was petitioned to apply "rumble strips," not speed bumps, aka sleeping policemen, but after a traffic study, they weren't warranted.

If you haven't sent in your 2020 STW Census, we still want it. A huge "Thanks" to the 203 of 237 lot owners who have remitted the necessary form. Strictly used in qualifying for the FHA exemption, this information is fiercely protected. If audited, this information must be up-to-date for retaining our community status as a 55 and older (if we ever lose this, it can never be regained). Please ask for a new form. USPS mailing, emailing or slipping into the "mail slot" at 48CP are ways of sending.

Please take a moment to remember long-time CP Rd. resident Dr. Gerald "Jerry" Anderson who passed away in January 2021. A quiet man who loved the natural beauty of Summer Trees West will be missed.

If you see something, say something. Call the POPD if you're concerned about a situation. POPD prefers that you call even though it turns out okay.

2021 Committee Chairs:

Architectural Review: Bobbie Weller

Budget: Don Ross

Compound: Ronnie Householder

Elections: Mary Austin

Lake Magnolia: Andy Stefaniw

Property Manager: Bill Roberts (Volunteer Needed)

Town Crier: Eddie Hamilton

Welcome: Judy Richotte

2021 Social: Ladies Club

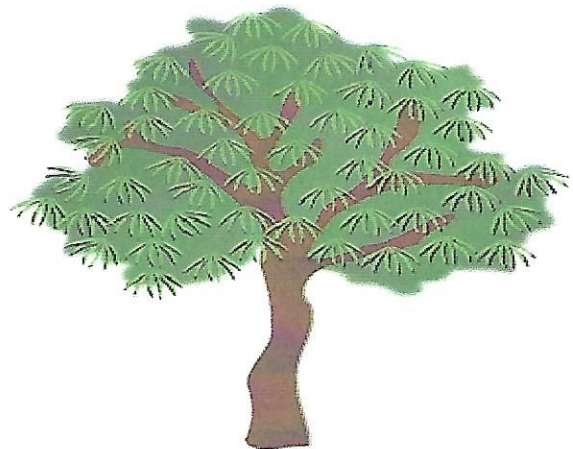
President: Mary Austin (240)475-5148

Secretary: Janice Tainsh (386)871-6640

STW HOA required monthly payments are \$109. This is

a \$105 dues and \$4 reserves amount for operating expenses and future asset expenditures. If you don't have the payment coupons and envelopes, you can mail your payments directly to ACAM, 507-C Herbert St, Port Orange, FL 32129. **Make your \$109 check payable to: Summer Trees Homeowners Association, Inc.** Call Atlantic (ACAM) if you have payment questions: **(386) 760-7365.**

Lastly, being familiar with the May, 2013 C&R's by refreshing your memory protects each and every one of your neighbors' property values. Need a copy? They are available by simply asking. Many questions can be answered by thumbing through the 29 page document that encompasses our rules, regulations, by-laws and original declarations of incorporation. Don't hesitate to call or email us if you need a copy; any board or committee member can be of assistance.



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