

HARBOR TOWN LIGHT



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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hello Patios people!

Hope you're enjoying the chill after another hot summer.

The end of the year seems like an appropriate time to express some deeper thoughts than usual. I often read about other HOAs and the squabbling and in-fighting that go on in some of them. We all know that there are always some people who find fault with anything done by anyone other than themselves. Perhaps this serves a purpose for them that is very personal. And some who will not join a committee but love to criticize its work and decisions. That might help them in some way. But here, at The Patios, there is very little of that. Your neighbors are helpful, mature, kind and forgiving. They welcome newcomers. They miss those who are no longer here. They don't expect volunteers to be treated like employees. They are respectful and appreciative of the hours of work so many give. And they are friendly!

We've all moved here from somewhere else where we left friends and making new friends is essential to our well-being. It's hard to make new 'long-term' friends for those of us without a "long term" left. So let's accelerate the process with each other! Find a way in the coming year to

deepen your friendships with each other. We'll all benefit. My love to all of you!

Susan Scott, President
The Patios of Chestnut Creek HOA
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CLUBHOUSE NEWS

We are just getting started with new features outside our Clubhouse. Right now, we have Tennis, Pickle Ball, and Badminton on the Tennis Court. We have Corn Hole and Golf putting green on one Shuffle Board, We plan to make the second Shuffle Board a Bocce Court.

We have a Trash Can Shed to hide the unsightly Cans. Lighting at the Clubhouse entrance is now motion activated to reduce bugs and electric use. Tennis Court gate will have a new latch with community key access.

Beginning in January we will tackle the Tennis Court erosion issue and the slope to Lake #11 to stop or redirect the runoff. Our Grounds Committee Chair has agreed to work with us to improve the Tennis Court entrance path.

Inside, we have a new Smart TV. The committee is planning future activities in the hope we bring

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more residents to enjoy our community Clubhouse.

On a serious note:

I have been postponing many of the projects needed at the Clubhouse because of health issues. I'm 77 years old this year and have been a community volunteer for 10 years this April, serving on many committees including 6 years as clubhouse chair. I will continue to work with what's left of my aging volunteers until we finish the projects listed above, which will be around the end of January. After that you will need a younger volunteer to take charge of the Clubhouse.

PLEASE COME AND ENJOY ALL OUR
ACTIVITIES

Raymond DeVincent
Clubhouse Chair
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**COME CELEBRATE THE NEW YEAR
WITH US!!**



We are bringing back the annual New Year's Day Bloody/Virgin Mary Party!

If you are new to the Patios, this is a fun way to kick off the New Year with your neighbors – plus a little Hair of The Dog doesn't hurt!

The Social Committee will provide the mix and all the good garnishes, you provide the alcohol of your choice. We will also have a spread of hearty finger foods, some good music, a 50/50 raffle, and maybe even a little football!

As always, we could use a few volunteers. Let's toast 2024 and have some fun!!!

WHAT: New Years Day Bloody/Virgin Mary Party

WHO: You!

WHEN: Mon Jan 1, 2024 @ Noon

WHERE: The Patios Clubhouse, \$5/pp at the door

Contact Liz Moore to volunteer or for any questions. Text is best! 727-277-428

ARB – ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

Happy New Year!
from the Patios ARB Team

We want to thank the homeowners who responded so quickly in clearing up any issues from the annual inspections and who informed us on the dates when they expect their contractor to complete projects.

The ARB Team continues to work with Warren from Keys Caldwell on the entire list.

A former owner drove through in December and let me know that things are really looking good at the Patios. I have to agree.

Please continue to email me with requests and or issues on anything ARB related.

Beth, Hilary, Kathy, Mary Lou, Jessica
The ARB Team
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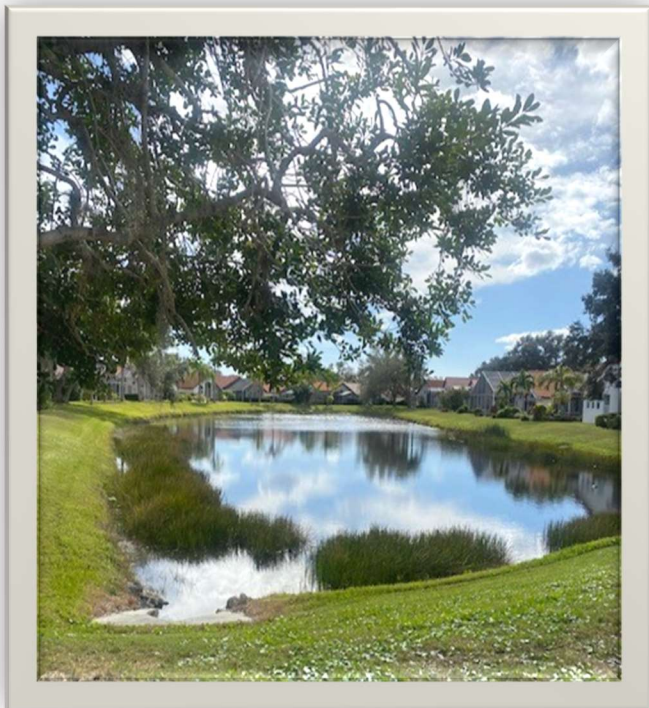
IRRIGATION

We continue to address the situation of an aging irrigation system. Over the past several months, Victor has spent significant time replacing valves in many areas.

If anyone sees an unusual amount of water, please contact me and follow up with a work order, so that we can address it immediately. Allowing the situation to continue can only cause potential damage.

Happy New Year Everyone

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STORMWATER RETENTION PONDS

Patios Edition

The December meeting of the Lakes Committee members constituted a review of the ongoing projects and the upcoming commencement of the work to be done on the Filter Lake starting late January.

This project is a huge benefit to the community as it represents maintenance of the Lake and not the considerably more expensive renovation to comply with currently required Sarasota County standards of water quality.

When this project is completed in 2025 it will represent a significant step forward in compliance of those standards.

Best holiday wishes to all.

Jerry Valenta
Patios Lake Advocate 941-492-6345



GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Brrr!! Baby it's cold outside! The colder weather is here now and we need to be aware that some of our plants may be sensitive to an occasional frost. Yes, even here in Florida. So watch the weather forecasts and plan on covering them up. If you don't want to lose them. Orchids need to be covered up, brought inside or placed in a protected area as they do not like it when temperatures drop below 50 degrees.

We are very pleased to announce that we received approval from the board in December to

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renovate the grounds plantings around the clubhouse.

This long-awaited clubhouse landscape renovation was proposed by grounds committee this past summer. West Coast worked with our ideas and design and gave us a great plan. This project will be done when danger of frost is past.

Mowing continues to be done on a bi-weekly basis through the winter months and hedges will not be trimmed in January. Please do not leave any yard waste out front during the week. Yard waste is put out on regular trash day.

Reminder to both new and not so new residents: please check the REDBOOK regulations for what is allowed or what is not allowed here in the Patios before you make any changes in your gardens. The regs are online in the Redbook section. They are also in your hard copy of the Redbook. Please use the online web sites to reach grounds or West Coast Landscapers.

Reminder: you must get written approval from us for your projects before installation.

As the new year begins, so the work begins again: we will be installing some new sod in a few months where it is needed. We also will be replacing diseased or dying shrubs. We make the decision on where it is needed.

The grounds committee are all volunteers from the community. Grounds meetings will be held in the clubhouse on the first Tuesday of the month at 9:30 am. Special meetings will be held when needed.

We are happy to advise you with your concerns/questions.

Wishing you good health and a HAPPY NEW YEAR 🎈 🎆

Welcome to 2024!

Enjoy your gardens!

Enjoy our beautiful Patios community!

Mary Davis
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BOOK CLUB NEWS

January Book Club

Date: January 11th at 10:00 am

Location: Patios Clubhouse

Book: The Secret Life of Sunflowers, by Marta Molnar

February Book Club

Date: Thursday, February 8th at 10:00 am

Location: Patios Clubhouse

Book: No Two Persons, Erica Bauermeister

ALL ARE WELCOME!

If you want to be on the Book Club email distribution list please contact Joanne Yeterian at jyeterian@comcast.net

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SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

Happy New Year!

I hope you enjoyed your holidays, and that Santa brought you everything on your wishlist. The holiday dinner at the Plantation Golf & Country Club was very nice with wonderful entertainment provided by the Allegros.

We will have the January luncheon on Wednesday, January 10 @ 12:30 pm at the Clever Monkey in Osprey. It comes highly recommended. Watch for the sign-up email to make your reservation.

Game nights are back: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 7 pm. Board games, dominoes, Mexican Train, Hand & Foot to name a few.



Breakfasts will take place on the first Saturday of February (2/3/24) and March (3/2/23) at 9 am. A new activity is Event night which will take place the third Wednesday of each month. Watch your email for details for January 17 @ 7 pm.

On January 20, from 7:30 am to 1 pm will be the Patios community garage sale. It will follow the same format as last year- in residents' driveways. Watch for the informational email that will be coming your way just after Christmas. Please let us know if you plan to participate in the sale. Also, there are opportunities to volunteer to help with traffic control, and posting ads on NextDoor, FaceBook Marketplace and CraigsList. There are a few tables and cash boxes to loan out if you need one; it is a first come, first served basis. There will be a pizza party after the sale at 5 pm in the clubhouse; all residents are welcome.

Please consider volunteering for any of the following:

Organizing the monthly luncheons

Bereavement committee chair and members

Social club secretary

Social club chairperson

I want to say thank you to all who have helped with events while I have been the Social Club chairperson. I truly have appreciated your willingness to help with the events that the residents have enjoyed over the last few years.

I hope to see you at an upcoming event.

Vickey Roa

Patios Social Club chair

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NEWSLETTERS

Newsletters are sent to Patios' residents via email. Paperless is more cost effective, helps the environment and reduces clutter in your home and on driveways. However, if you wish to receive the newsletter via home delivery, email your request to Barbara Toufar - toufarbj@gmail.com. Also, a few paper copies are available in the clubhouse.

Betsy Legasey, Editor

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2023 HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION (HOA)

Board of Directors

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Nominating: Position Open

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Help Wanted:

Board Members

Social Club Chairperson(s)

Social Club Secretary

Bereavement Committee Chairperson

Clubhouse Chairperson

Requirements: A willingness to be part of this wonderful community

Compensation: Friendship and Satisfaction

Hours: Flexible



Mah Jongg Players Wanted!

Beginning January 17

Wednesdays at 1 PM at the Clubhouse

New players, wannabe players, retired players

Please come and learn or relearn this classic game

January

Patios of Chestnut Creek

2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Bloody/Virgin Mary Party Noon	2 Water Aerobics 9.30 AM -Game night, 7 PM	3	4	5	6
7	8 Bridge 1.15 PM	9 -Pickleball 8.30 AM -Water Aerobics 9.30 AM	10 Luncheon, Clever Monkey, 12.30 PM	11 Book Club 10AM	12 Bridge 1.15 PM	13
14	15 Bridge 1.15 PM	16 Water Aerobics 9.30 AM -Game night, 7 PM	17 Mah Jongg 1 PM	18	19 -Needlecraft 9.30 to Noon -Bridge 1.15 PM	20 
21	22 Bridge 1.15 PM	23 Water Aerobics 9.30AM	24 Mah Jongg 1 PM	25	26 Bridge 1.15 PM	27
28	29 Bridge 1.15 PM	30 Water Aerobics 9.30 AM	31 Mah Jongg 1 PM			