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Estero, Florida 33928



Letter from Ed Schreiner President, Fountain Lakes Community Association

I thought it might be helpful to use this column to summarize some decisions that have been reached by the Board of Governors at our November 18th meeting.

We have been approached about the desire to allow swing sets in people's yards. The impetus for this is that we are experiencing a changing demographic and are seeing more young families buying homes in Fountain Lakes and these families would like to be able to put a swing set on their property. The issue is that our current covenants do not permit the erection of any temporary structures on owners' lots. The Board of Governors can't simply decide to allow it when the documents forbid it. So, we agreed to place a proposed document change in the upcoming 2016 election package so that we aren't incurring incremental expense for a mass mailing. If 51% of voters approve it, we then can work on an implementation plan with detailed descriptions of what will (or will not) be allowed.

The Board also decided to put some teeth in our directions to homeowners regarding the disposal of horticultural waste. Our letters to violating owners have not yielded compliance so we will now have the ability to levy fines for violations. Just to be clear, horticultural waste (lawn clippings, palm fronds etc.) cannot be placed in front of your home prior to Friday noon. This was negotiated with Lee County in order to give our residents more flexibility for

disposal. However, we continue to see this debris stacked in front of some homes all week which detracts from the curb appeal we all strive to achieve. Therefore, going forward, the Master Association will have the ability to fine homeowners that do not comply. Failure to pay the fines can lead to foreclosure if allowed to accumulate, but we certainly hope it never gets to that. Further, when the waste is put out, it cannot interfere with storm drains or pedestrian walkways and must be wholly contained on the homeowner's property.

The Board has adopted a resolution that, going forward, golf carts can only be driven by residents aged 16 or older. We have witnessed some near calamities with younger drivers careening around the roads here with multiple kids on the cart, some hanging off the sides and back of the cart. In more than one instance we have seen kids falling off the golf cart when the driver goes around a corner too fast. This is a nasty accident waiting to happen and we want to avoid the injuries that are sure to happen if we don't take action. Our security company, Statewide Security, will enforce this for us.

If there has been one hot-button issue that has gained a lot of intensity lately, it's the question of how to control the rental of properties in our community. Just about every Local Association's documents start out with the line: "In order to foster a stable residential community and prevent a motel like atmosphere....". Yet we continually get complaints



Breakfast with Santa

**Saturday December 12,
9:15 am
Community Center**

Because we have no snow in Florida, Santa will be arriving in a firetruck. Be sure to be there by 9:15 to see him arrive! Treats will be provided. Please sign up children who will be attending by Dec. 9 in the office.

An adult must accompany all children

Fountain Lakes New Years Eve Party

**December 31, 8:00pm - 12:30am
Karaoke with Melissa Towns**

Bring your own bottle, (ice will be provided) and an appetizer to share. Tickets will be on sale in the office at \$5.00 per person starting December 15 and will also be available at the door. Come and join the fun, help us ring in the new year



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Over the summer we finished the interior of the schoolhouse. We have just one last project to complete and that is the assistance ramp. We still need to raise about \$10,000 in order to complete this project.

Diane Wisen is heading up the committee for furnishing the schoolhouse. If you have any period pieces you are interested in donating, email Diane at dianesemw@gmail.com.

Information obtained from the Estero Historical Society Website:
<http://esterohistoricalsociety.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/September-2015.pdf>

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2016 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- DECEMBER: 5th CHRISTMAS PARTY POTLUCK, SAT. 5:30 PM
 12th BREAKFAST WITH SANTA, SAT. 9:15 AM
 16th BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING, WED. 7:00PM
 31st NEW YEARS EVE PARTY WITH THE TOWNS, THUR. 8:00PM
- JANUARY: 30th MARDI GRAS DINNER DANCE SAT. WITH JOE SASSERINI
- FEBRUARY: 20th PATRIOTIC DINNER DANCE, SAT. WITH JOE TURNER
 27th BOUITIQUE, SETUP 26TH
- MARCH: 9th LUNCHEON TEA, WED. 1:00, CAROL FLAHERTY, HUMORIST
 12th GARAGE SALE
 19th POOL PARTY
 29th SPORTS BANQUET, TUES.
- APRIL: 16th POTLUCK FARWELL
- MAY: 7th DERBY PARTY 4:00 PM

Golf Schedule December 2015

- December 4 Mates and Dates Fri. 8:45am
 December 10 Linksters Thru 8:45am
 December 12 Saturday Scramble Sat 8:45am
 December 18 Mates and Dates Fri 8:45am
- Sign-up early in the week is REQUIRED best ball scramble for mixed team events
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Christmas Party Potluck

December 5, 5:30 pm at the Community Center



Bring your own bottle, your
 favorite dish to share & \$5.00
 gift, if you wish to join the fun.
 Coffee and lemonade provided.

Tickets on sale in the office
 beginning November 16 for \$2.00
 and also to be sold at the door.

		December 2015						
		Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Men's Golf 8:45am Mah Jongg 1pm Pool (open) 6pm	2 Shuffleboard 8:45am Tennis 8:00am Pickleball 9:30am Bridge 1pm Pool (open) 6:30pm Card Night 6:45pm	3 Mah Jongg 1pm Pool (open) 6:30 Bingo 7:30pm	4 Meets & Dates 8:45am Tennis 8:00am Bocce 1pm Double Rack 9 Ball 4-6pm	5 Christmas Potluck 9:30pm Community Center	
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Steve Buckley

On October 1st Bob and Audrey Buckley lost their 46 year old Son Steve. They cannot express their sorrow and grief knowing they will never see him smile again. Please pray for their Granddaughters Kaitlyn, Makayla and Autumn.

Carl Johnson

On October 26th we lost Carl Johnson from the Manors of Fountain Lakes. We lost a good neighbor, friend and golfing buddy. Carl was loved by all and will be missed. I'm sure Ray Kasella is happy that he has reunited with his best buddy

A Message from Joe and Joni Pavich

Welcome back Snowbirds... Can't believe how fast this year has gone by. We are excited about all the upcoming events that we will have at Fountain Lakes this Season. I'm sure that you are getting tired of our constant power failures! I have notified the Village of Estero and have asked for their help to find out why this is happening. Our Mayor Nick Batos has requested that we document our outages and he will contact FPL on our behalf. Also there is a program for the new oversized recycle bins. You can put

in a special request if you are unable to bring your recycle bin to the curb. You will be able to leave the bin by your garage door, they will pick it up from there. If you would like this service, email me at joe@jpavich.com and I will expedite this service for you. That's all for now!

Happy and Healthy Holidays to All
Joe and Joni



Tips to enjoy your Holiday Season Safety

from Estero Fire Rescue

Submitted by Susan Lindenmuth, Public Relations Manager

The long holiday season is full of opportunities for people to get together for fun, food, and sharing. By following some simple precautions, you can make the holidays safe for yourself, your family and friends.

Be watchful of dangers to children. Teach them to stay away from candles, fireplaces, fireworks, space heaters, matches, and lighters. Holly and mistletoe can be poisonous to small children and pets.

Choose toys wisely. Pass up those that could be highly flammable or a choking hazard. Make sure electric toys are labeled for fire safety, and keep them away from your tree. Be sure to check for toys that may be recalled by the manufacturer

Install smoke alarms on every level in your home and in each bedroom. Check their function according to manufacturer's directions, and change their batteries at least once a year. It could mean the difference between waking up to a small, smoldering fire or one you can't escape. *For the greatest fire safety, we recommend a smoke alarm inside each bedroom in addition to the required smoke alarm on each level of the home.*

Wrap it up! Dispose of gift wrappings soon after opening presents. A room full of paper lying around on the floor and furniture is yet another holiday hazard. Do not burn wrappings in a fireplace; they may ignite suddenly and cause a flash fire

Check out lights. Make sure all holiday lights are tested for safety. You can identify these by a "UL" label from Underwriters Laboratories. Replace any worn sets

or those with loose connections. Outside, use lighting labeled for outdoor use. Inside, do not overload outlets. Never put lights on a metal tree. And always unplug everything before you leave your home or go to bed. **Choose a fresh tree.** Look for one without shedding needles. Trim the trunk at an angle before you put it in a non-tip stand. Make sure it is watered constantly and placed away from all exits and sources of heat. All artificial trees should have labels which indicate they are fire retardant.

Care with candles. Always put candles in candlesticks before you light them. Do not use them in decorations or displays. Keep candles away from curtains or other combustibles materials. Never put them in windows or near exits. And never leave candles in the reach of unsupervised children or pets. Always blow out candles when you leave a room.

Have a fire safe fireplace. Have it professionally inspected at least once a year and cleaned if necessary. Don't burn anything but dry wood, as paper can fly out of the chimney. Have a spark arrester installed on top of the chimney to cut hazards. Use a metal fire screen, put ashes in metal containers and never store them in your home. Visit our web site at www.esterofire.org for further information on holiday safety as well as video links.

The members of Estero Fire Rescue would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their continued support and want to wish you a safe and healthy holiday season. From our family to yours...Happy Holidays!

Letter from Ed Schreiner, *cont'd from page 1*

about multiple renters in single units, multiple cars parked in neighborhoods that have no room for them, loud parties, rentals by the week or weekend...and the beat goes on. As part of the year-end election package referenced above, we will be including a proposed umbrella rental policy for the community as a whole, allowing for each local Association to fit under the umbrella policy to govern their territory. Again, it will require a 51% favorable vote to be adopted.

This year, more than ever, it will be important for all

residents to participate in the annual election process to be sure their opinions/viewpoints are considered. Not only will you be electing Board of Governors' members, you will be able to vote on issues that directly impact the future of our community.

The Board of Governors will not be convening in December due to the busy holiday schedules everyone has. We wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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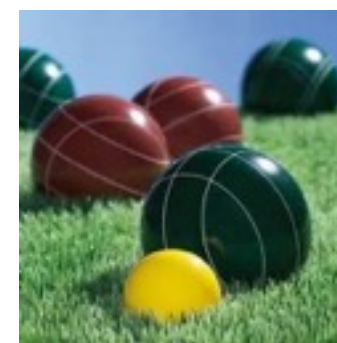
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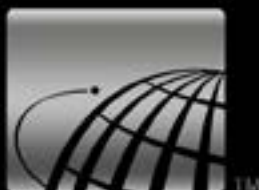
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