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Fountain Lakes Newsletter



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# Covenant Coaching

"Covenant Coaching" for the benefit of our newer residents and a refresher for those folks who have been busy with life in "Paradise" and may appreciate a reminder. Fountain Lakes has always been a deed restricted community. Abiding by the Convenances protects the value of our property and the integrity of our neighborhoods. It has been noted that lawn waste and large items are set on the curb too early for pickup. These items fall under the Trash Container Rule.

Fountain Lakes Recorded Rules and Regulations

12. Trash containers

a. All trash containers must be stored out of sight. Inside the garages or behind screening material except 24 hours before they are to be picked up

Some items are too large to fit into your garbage can, but Waste Pro can help you dispose of them responsibly. They offer on-demand bulk waste pickup services for various household items such as: major appliances, furniture and mattresses. Please contact your local city or county for proper disposal procedures of electronic items. Contact your local Waste Pro service facility at 239-337-0800 for more information on acceptable items and pick-up schedules.

Good Will and Habitat for Humanity are also a great way to get rid of unwanted items that are in good condition.

Please note:

"Committed Property" homeowners' property.

"Corporate Common Property" Association property such as roads, Cul-de-Sac, and club house area

You can find the Amended and Restated Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions and the Recorded Rules and Regulations for Fountain Lakes Community Association, Inc. on the Fountain Lakes Website - https://fountainlakesestero.com/ if you can not find your copy of these documents.



The monthly calendar and much more information is on the website at www.fountainlakesestero.com You can get the names and addresses of all board members by calling the Fountain Lakes Office at 239-495-3555

- Mailing address of the office is 22201 Fountain Lakes Blvd Suite #1 Estero Florida 33928 -

Any issues or concerns regarding Fountain Lakes Master Board please contact: Ashley Wamble, CAM 239-454-8568 AshleyW@Pegasuscam.com

## Important Numbers

Medical Emergencies	911	Florida Power and Light	239 262-1322
Lee County Sheriff Headquarters	239 477-1200	Waste Pro	239 337-0800
Animal Control	239 432-2083	Comcast	239 432-9277
Fish and Wildlife	863 648-3200	Fountain Lakes Monitors cell phone	239 470-2299
Bonita Springs Utilities Water	239 992-0711	Fountain Lakes Office 8:30-4:30 M-F	239 495-3555

# **FISHING IN FOUNTAIN LAKES**

Fountain Lakes Community has 3 lakes as well as Halfway Creek. It is understandable that residents and guests may want to spend their leisure time fishing. Most of the access to these bodies of water are on private property. You MUST acquire permission from homeowner to gain access to the water and fish on private property.

The property lines of the homes along Halfway Creek actually extend a few feet into the water depending on the level of the creek. Getting permission from one owner does not allow you to wander along the creek to another location.

Please respect the privacy of your neighbors. There is public access to the Big Lake from the golf course. Remember it is Catch and Release!

## **BREAKFAST WITH SANTA**

Santa came dashing through the sand and palm trees in a golf cart. Thirty-Three delightful children along their parents, grandparents, aunts, and uncles took part in the breakfast with Santa sponsored by JPavich Real Estate. Joannie Pavich and the Ladies of the Fountain Lakes Social committee handed out gifts and breakfast to the families.

You can view pictures of the event on https://fountainlakesestero.com/



Cane Toad Committee

The Cane Toad Committee has not formally met. However, Mariah Roller and Lisa Gasper have volunteered to co-chair the project. An organizational meeting will be held after the holidays, near the end of January. If you are interested in being on this committee or helping with the project, please notify Lisa Gasper at egasper@neo.rr.com. Also, if you are currently killing cane toads, please contact Lisa with a date and number of toads obtained.

## President's Notes

### Why do we have the Swales in our front yards?

The Southwest Florida Water Management District is the agency that manages and protects water resources. A stormwater system is a way to manage the runoff from rainfall. When rainwater lands on rooftops, parking lots, streets, driveways and other hard surfaces, the stormwater runoff flows into grates or swales around the neighborhood. This water flows to our Lakes. The Lakes are designed to help prevent flooding and remove pollutants from the water before it can drain into the groundwater, or into streams, rivers, lakes, wetlands, estuaries or the gulf.

There are two basic types, retention and detention:

A retention system allows water to seep through soil into the shallow groundwater aquifer. Grass stabilizes basin slopes and filters sediments. Retention systems are constructed so that stormwater percolates into the ground.

A swale is a linear retention system. It is shaped to allow water to be quickly absorbed into the ground or to allow the water to flow to catch basins that flow to the Lakes. A swale promotes water absorption through soils. Swales hold water during and immediately after a storm, but they are generally dry.

Detention systems (Lakes) are designed to allow material to settle and be absorbed. After a storm, our lake water drains from the Lake through a pipe to Halfway Creek and out to the bay.

In Florida, after developers' complete construction of permitted systems in residential areas, the legal responsibility for maintaining these systems is passed on to the Master Association in our case. The upkeep and maintenance of the system becomes the responsibility of the association. The association is responsible for labor and expenses for keeping the system functional.

The Fountain Lakes Boutique will be held on February 26th from 10-4 in the Community Center. The artists will display the various mediums such as ceramics, jewelry, watercolors, acrylics, photography and handmade wearables. You will have the opportunity to meet the artists and refreshments will be available. If you are interested in participating in this fun event, contact Judy Ladd 574-276-2942 or email at Studio266@aol.com

An art class will be held beginning on January 10th. I welcome beginners as well as people who will like to refresh their skills. I will teach drawing,/painting or any other area you wish to learn. It is a great way to learn different techniques and polish up your art ability. The class will take place in the villa screen room on Monday afternoons. For more info contact Judy Ladd 574-276-29\$2 or email Studio266@aol.com Come on January 10th at 1:00 in the screen room to learn all the details

Playground Committee

The Master Association has established a committee to review the current playground and come up with a plan to upgrade the area. Committee Members: Jordan Rieks, Tracy Colleran, Joan Kuehm, and Janet Hildebrand

#### Scope of Project:

The scope of the project will be determined by the cost of the various items.

#### Wish List includes:

Foam Mat as ground cover, Shade over the equipment, climbing rock or wall, new swing set with 2 baby seats and 2 regular seats.

The committee will gather information regarding cost to accomplish the wish list.

#### MULTI-LEVEL YOGA

A user-friendly class taught from the base move with optional progressions available. Wednesday 9 am- 9:50 am

> Fountain Lakes Activity Room Taught by Stacey Lima

> > January 5, 12, 19 & 26 February 2, 9, 16 & 23

Contact Janet Hildebrand via forestridgeshores@gmail.com for more information

We are abiding by social distancing rules and will be comfortably spaced at least 6 feet apart. In addition, if you choose to wear a mask you may although it is not recommended for exercising.