

# The Moorings

# Homeowners Association January 2018 Newsletter

P.O. Box 372163 Satellite Beach, Fl. 32937

www.mooringshoa.com

#### Next Board Meeting

When: Monday,

January 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM

Where: Rick Glasby's home at 735 St Georges

Everyone is invited!

#### **HOA Board**

#### President:

Clyde Bridge 321-254-6345

Vice-President:

Zack Spurlock 321-544-9237

Secretary:

Rick Glasby 321-258-6915

Treasurer:

Brenda Merchberger 321-917-3698

#### **Covenants Preservation:**

Kevin Van Hulse 321-220-8958

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José Bermudez 321-779-0689

Plans & Specs:

Michelle Belin 321-427-1521

Social Director:

Jeanine Hall 321-777-7884

Historian:

Irene Calland 321-773-2575

#### SPRA Representative:

Rosemary Golick 321-777-5151

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Cole Panning 321-773-5763

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Frank Tuozzo 321-622-5151

#### A Note from the Moorings HOA President

Friends & Neighbors,

December was a great month for the Moorings. Please join me in a huge THANK YOU to Suzanne and Mike McBride for designing and building the awesome front island Christmas decorations this year! We had a record year for participation in our Christmas Light Decoration contest (both water side and street side - as well as the prize stash). Speaking of prizes, be sure to remember our local restaurants that so graciously donated gift certificates when you're looking to dine out or order in.

Thanks to everyone that attended the Fall Bar-B-Q (we had a blast) and thanks so much to all the board members that carried the torch for the past years. One special note, thanks to Cindi for managing the HOA so well during her tenure! Lastly, please join me in congratulating all the new board members that will help carry the flag for the upcoming year!

Clyde

P.S. Thank you for the continued support of your HOA dues to allow us to continue to maintain and improve our neighborhood ©

## Winners of the Moorings Holiday Lighting Contest

The judges drove up and down every street and canal in the Moorings, looking for the best holiday decorations. It wasn't easy selecting the winners because there were so many outstanding contenders. Please congratulate:

First Place Streetside Winner: The Swiderski's at 426 St. Lucia Ct.

Second Place Streetside Winner: The Caufield's at 428 Port Royal

Third Place Streetside Winner: The McBride's at 412 Port Royal

First Place Waterside Winner: The Lewis's at 475 Bridgetown Ct.

Second Place Waterside Winner: The Massey's at 475 Aruba Ct.

Third Place Waterside Winner: The Caufield's at 428 Port Royal

The winners will be sharing over \$400 in gift certificates donated by the following local restaurants: Long Doggers, Beef 'O Bradys, and Doubles Beachside. Please patronize them, and tell them you appreciate their community spirit.

# Time to Pay Your Dues

The beginning of each year is when all residents are asked to contribute to the Moorings Homeowners Association. The funds are used to improve the landscaping along common areas, maintain the lighting and irrigation systems at the entrances, and sponsor our Spring and Fall BBQs. Please be assured that all expenditures are approved by the Board after careful consideration.

We have included a stamped, addressed envelope with this edition of the Moorings Newsletter to make it easy for you to mail in your dues check. Please join your neighbors by contributing at one of the following three levels:

Regular HOA Contribution: \$35 per year

Gold Level Donation: \$50 per year

Platinum Level Donation: \$100 per year

Thank you in advance for helping keep our neighborhood a beautiful place to live, work, and play. Make your check payable to The Moorings HOA and mail it to:

The Moorings HOA P.O. Box 372163 Satellite Beach, FL 32937

## **Emailed Newsletter**

Have you been receiving your monthly Moorings e-Newsletter? Usually, we email it out toward the beginning of the month (except July and August). Currently 177 residents get the newsletter via email. To receive your copy, visit www.MooringsHOA.com and provide your email address and name under the *Newsletters* menu item, or you can send an email to MooringsHOA@gmail.com

## **Security Alert**

Last year there were reports of more than a dozen cars being ransacked in the Moorings, with items being stolen.

The Brevard Sheriffs Office recommends keeping your car locked at all times, and keeping your garage door closed.

TREASURER'S REPORT
As of 12/29/2017

Total Funds: \$9,608

## Street Reps

Port Royal Blvd. (500 Jolly Roger) Linda Wawrzyniak (321) 693-4874

St. Georges Ct.

Jeff Perry

(321) 241-6016

St. Lucia Ct. Roni Stockdale (490-498 Jolly Roger) (321) 292-1215

Bridgetown Ct. (510 Jolly Roger) Jordan Bauer (321) 773-7139

Aruba Ct. (516-518 Jolly Roger) Julann Callender (321) 213-0806

\*If you prefer to email your Street Representative, there is a form on the HOA Website on the "CONTACT US" page.



#### February 2018

#### A Note from the Moorings Homeowners Association President

Happy February! As we enjoy the Florida winter, I'd like to ask you to please take a moment to consider your part in making our neighborhood an ever better place to live. More than a few neighbors have ask me about the different level dues, so I'll reiterate. The \$35 level was created for the fixed income households whereas the \$50 and \$100 levels are for the rest of us that can afford a little more to become a larger part of our neighborhood enhancement. If you prefer, you can now send your dues via PayPal. See details below.

Let's go into this new year with some great improvement plans and the actual funds to execute them! Please consider joining your neighbors in participating in this year's dues drive and becoming an active part of our new growth plan. I'm looking forward to receive the Improvement Plan voting results as well as seeing if my street can surpass "that darn Bridgetown" in total amount of fees paid;-). Have a great month and hope you have a Happy Valentine's day. Clyde.

## Potential Improvements to our Community

The Moorings HOA board is considering projects to improve the look and livability of our neighborhood. Which project(s) we choose to fund will be determined by the amount of money raised during our current dues drive, and by your vote! Read the preliminary project descriptions below, and then cast your vote.

#### Project #1: Restoring the Jolly Roger Hedge

Our fearless HOA president removed most of the dead podocarpus and trimmed others. This project would replace approximately 55 of the shrubs.

#### Project #2: Doggy Bag Dispensers and Receptacles

The goal is to encourage pet owners to pick up after their animals. The dispensers might be located along the Jolly Roger/South Patrick Drive paths. Some volunteer maintenance would be required to keep the dispensers full of bags, and to empty the receptacle.

#### Project #3: Organize an Evening Dinner Event

Some residents have expressed an interest in an alternative to the beach BBQs. This event might be held at a local restaurant or other venue. The HOA would subsidize part of the cost.

#### Project #4: Restore Front Entrance

The goal is to emphasize the giant anchors and coquina rock at the front entrance by removing some landscaping.

#### Project #5: Add Two Paths from the Moorings to the Bike Path

Create two paths through the hedge at Port Royal and St. Lucia to provide easier access to the bike path along South Patrick Drive.

#### Project #6: Update Front Entrance Sign

The goal is to create a more modern/stylish sign at the front entrance with a stone and tile base.

#### Project #7: Refresh the South Entrance

The goal is to improve the look of the south entrance at Aruba Ct. If the main entrance sign is updated, the current sign could be relocated here. The pilings could use a fresh coat of paint, and the light fixtures could be updated.

#### Project #8: Install Oxygenating "Bubblers" in the Canals

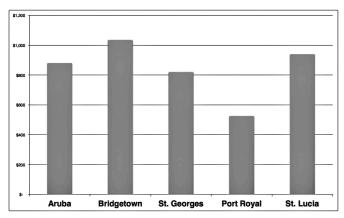
The goal is to improve the health of our canals by dropping aeration devices into the water.

Please let us know which projects are your favorites (or suggest another) by sending an email to mooringshoa@gmail.com. All dues-paying residents are eligible to vote.

## The Race to \$10,000

It's time to pay your annual Moorings HOA dues. A stamped addressed envelope went out with the January newsletters. If you didn't get one, please mail your check to P.O. Box 372163, Satellite Beach, FL 32937. Or you can now send your dues via PayPal.com. MooringsHOA@gmail.com and the amount you wish to pay. Be sure to enter your name and street address in the "notes" section so we can credit your account.

The early returns are in, and Bridgetown is leading the dues race, with St. Lucia close behind. Our goal for the dues drive is \$10,000 and after two weeks we are more than 40% toward meeting the goal.



#### **Aruba Street Representative Needed**

If you live on Aruba Court and would like to contribute to our community, please apply for the position of Aruba Street Representative. You'll greet new neighbors on your street, occassionaly distribute printed Moorings Newsletters, and field questions, comments or concerns from other residents. Apply by sending an email to mooringshoa@gmail.com

### The Next Moorings HOA Board Meeting

Join us on Monday, March 19th at 7:30PM for the Moorings HOA Board Meeting. It will be held at the home of Clyde Bridge, 466 St. Lucia Court. All are welcome to attend!

## **Treasurers Report**

As of January 31st, 2018: \$12,950

## The Moorings Homeowners Association

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March 2018

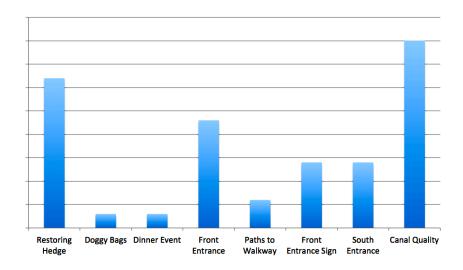
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Thanks so much for participating in the improvement survey! The board is excited to get to work on budgeting and planning these projects. Please remember you can use PayPal (details below) to send in your HOA dues, and bank checks will always be accepted. If you've misplaced your self-addressed envelope, feel free to drop your check off to your street rep, one of the board members, or give me a call. The more HOA dues participation we receive, the more we'll be able to complete!

Spring is fast approaching which brings the Spring Bar-B-Q and Neighborhood Garage Sale. Hopefully we'll see you at one or both of these events and have a great month! Clyde.

## **Results of Improvement Poll**

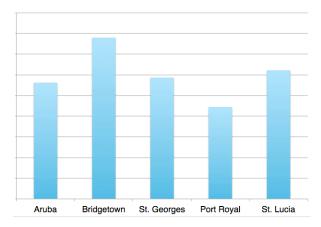
Last month we solicited your opinions on which potential project(s) you'd like to see the Moorings Homeowners Association tackle. We have the preliminary results (although your opinion is still welcome). As shown in the chart below, most residents wanted to see something done to improve the water quality of our canals, restore the hedge along Jolly Roger, and improve the two entrances to the Moorings. The HOA board is in the process of calculating our recurring expenses, determining the amount left, and investigating cost options for various improvement projects. We have started on the Jolly Roger hedge by having the irrigation system repaired (no sense in putting in new plantings if they don't get watered regularly). The Moorings Roads & Grounds guy, José Bermudez, tells us that Brevard County is paying for this part of the project.



### Bridgetown Retains the Lead

We've been tracking the receipt of HOA dues from Moorings residents, and Bridgetown is still in the lead. It's not too late for your street to catch up, though. Please send your payment to Moorings HOA, PO Box 372163, Satellite Beach. Or you can now send your dues via PayPal.com. Log into your PayPal account, and select "Send Money to

Friend." Enter MooringsHOA@gmail.com and the amount you wish to pay. Be sure to enter your name and street address in the "notes" section so we can credit your account.



## **Moorings Social Events**

While you're doing your spring cleanup, be sure to save some items for the Moorings-wide **garage sale**. It will be held on Saturday, April 21st from 8AM until noon.

The Moorings **Spring Fling BBQ** is being scheduled by Jeannine Hall, the Moorings social director. We anticipate it will be held at Pelican Beach Park

some Sunday afternoon in April. We'll share the details as soon as plans are finalized.

#### **New Board Vice President**

We are pleased to welcome Maggie Swiderski of 426 St. Lucia Court as Vice President of the homeowners association. She replaces Zach Spurlock, who is moving. If you see Maggie or Zach, please thank them for their service.

#### Aruba Court Street Rep Needed

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## **Treasurers Report**

As of February 25th, 2018: \$14,721

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#### **April 2018 Newsletter**

#### A Message from the HOA President

I hope you had a great Easter weekend and good closure to your windy March. As everyone can see, our waterways continue to struggle every day. The board and our very own waterways man (Cole Panning) are working on cost effective ways we can do our part to help our waterways. We just lost a manatee last week in our neighborhood but no news yet as to the cause.

On an better note, I hope to see you all at the Bar-B-Q, and good luck in de-cluttering (or gathering) during the big garage sale. The board is planning a couple neighborhood work-days to get started on the front island and south entrance so stay tuned for details. Thanks again to all residents that have contributed to this year's annual dues drive to facilitate improvements and sustain our regular maintenance and repairs.

Clyde

#### Two Moorings Events in April

Join your neighbors in a **community-wide garage sale**. It will be taking place on Saturday, April 21st from 8AM until noon. It's your chance to unload some of your "treasures" (or perhaps collect a few more).

Then on **Sunday afternoon, April 22nd**, The Moorings will hold its annual **Spring Fling BBQ**. Join us at Pelican Beach Park in Satellite Beach. A catered BBQ from Charlie and Jakes along with soft drinks, beer and wine are yours for just \$10 per person. Desert contributions are welcome!

The fun starts at 4:30PM. And be sure to stick around for the raffle - local restaurants have contributed gift coupons. Send your \$10 check to Jeannine Hall or drop it off at 424 Bridgetown Court.

#### In Memory

Long time Moorings resident Karen Patson passed away on March 5th. The Patsons were "original" Moorings owners, having bought 444 St. Georges Court in December 1971. She will be missed.

#### Thirsty Lawn?

It's been a very dry February and March this year, and some of our lawns show it. A reminder that we are once again allowed to use our lawn sprinklers **twice a week**, now that daylight saving time is in effect. This might also be a good time to check the operation of your irrigation system.

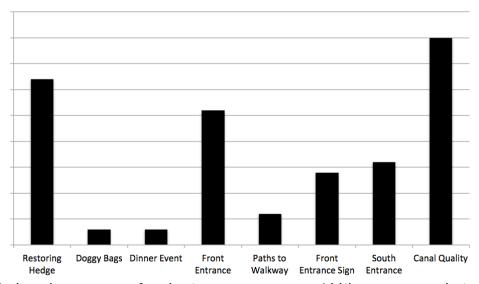
#### Flying a Service Flag

At the request of Marie and John Lee (401 St. Georges Ct.), the Moorings will be flying a flag for their son on the main entrance flagpole. Bobby Lee is serving in the U.S. Air Force in Iraq. If you would like a flag flown in the honor of an immediate family member who is deployed to a combat zone overseas, please contact Frank Tuozzo (321-622-5151), our Moorings flag custodian. Please provide a squadron, unit, or service flag. It will be flown for a minimum of one month.

#### Latest Results in the Dues Race

Although Bridgetown Ct. is still in the lead, with the largest amount of dues paid this year, St. Georges Ct. is now in second place, passing St. Lucia Ct. It's not too late for your street to catch up, though. Please send your payment to Moorings HOA, PO Box 372163, Satellite Beach. Or you can now send your dues via PayPal.com. Log into your PayPal account, and select "Send Money to Friend." Enter MooringsHOA@gmail.com and the amount you wish to pay. Be sure to enter your name and street address in the "notes" section so we can credit your account.

#### **Proposed Projects**



We tabulated your votes for the improvements you'd like to see made in our community. The primary concern was the water quality of our canals. We have talked with the Marine Resources Council, and there are no easy fixes. We are still due to get the canals dredged of muck. That project is

funded by the government, but is waiting on environmental and wildlife approval. Our waterways guy, Cole Panning, is investigating a low cost aeration system. And we all can help the water quality by making sure our lawn services don't blow cut grass into the canal, picking up after our pets, and by not washing our cars in our driveways. The county may perform a "smoke test" of the sewage system in our area to identify leaks in the pipes.

The other project which received major support was restoring the hedge along Jolly Roger Drive. We are reluctant to buy new plants to replace the ones that died last year until the irrigation system is working properly. Our Roads & Ground guy, José Bermudez, reports the county has hired a contractor, who identified problem areas (that's why there are flags at the sprinklers along Jolly Roger). Hopefully, they will repair the irrigation system soon.

The third most popular project, based on your votes, was sprucing up the front entrance. There are many interpretations as to what that means (removing existing plants, pressure washing the coquina rock, improving the lighting, etc.) We'd be interested in any ideas you might have. Please email us with your thoughts, or even proposed designs!

#### The Next Moorings HOA Board Meeting

Join us on Monday, May 21st at 7:30PM for the Moorings HOA Board Meeting. It will be held at the home of Linda Wawrzyniak, 440 Port Royal Blvd. All are welcome to attend!

Treasurers Report: As of March 18th, 2018 our balance is \$14,925.

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#### **May 2018 Newsletter**

#### A Message from the HOA President

Happy Spring Time! We hope you're enjoying the warmer weather before it gets too hot. I'd like to once again thank the residents that have continued to share the responsibility of keeping our neighborhood a great place to live by paying the annual dues as well as participating in one of our fix-up / clean-up days. Speaking of improvements, even though the county has us handcuffed with the front sprinklers, the canal bubblers investigation continues for the best option at the best price. Cole and his team has been doing quite a bit of work towards this and should have a decision soon. This with continued oyster gardening hopefully puts ours canals in the best possible position to survive another algae bloom. Thanks so much for making the Moorings such a great place to live!

Clyde

#### Update on the Lagoon

The Moorings waterways guy, Cole Panning, attended a recent county commission meeting on the status of the Indian River Lagoon. Here's his summary of the four hour meeting:

- The removal of muck from our canals is still waiting on permits from the Federal Marine Fisheries Department.
- The county commissioners rejected a proposal to redirect tourist tax funds from sports projects to improving sewer systems to help the lagoon.
- The county is considering a moratorium on permitting new conventional septic tanks. There are roughly 5,000 septic systems in the area, some of which leak into the lagoon.

Our area is in line for "smoke testing" of our sewer systems. They will blow "smoke" into a nearby manhole and you may see it exiting from the vent stack on your roof (a good sign) or from holes in the ground (a bad sign). The test is designed to locate leaks in the sewer pipes. The county will notify us via door hangers the week prior to testing.

#### **New Neighbors**

Join us in welcoming some new neighbors to the Moorings:

Angel Errigo at 428 Aruba Court

- Reggie & Dana Mathew at 435 Bridgetown Court
- Bob & Leslie Crissman at 411 St Georges Court

#### SPRA Report

Ayn Samuelson of the South Patrick Residents Association tells us that the county still plans on moving the sewage "lift station" at the corner of St Georges and Jolly Roger. Our waste water moves in high pressure pipes to the treatment plant, and the "lift station" is a pump that keeps it moving. The lift station, currently at the northwest corner of the intersection, may be moved to the southwest corner. However, the County is still negotiating with the State to install a new lift station in the green space along South Patrick Drive. Final plans are on hold until the South Patrick location is approved or rejected. Ayn also reports that the temporary electrical connection on the northeast corner of St Georges and Jolly Roger is being worked on. The County is installing a new electrical conduit, however FPL will do the actual electrical connection. Timeframe for that is unknown. The next meeting of the South Patrick Residents Association will be held on Monday, June 11th at 7:30PM in the David Schechter Center.

#### Roads & Grounds Report

José Bermudez, our Roads & Grounds guy, reports that the County has mulched the beds along Jolly Roger Drive, and around the front entrance. But the County has yet to fix the irrigation system that runs along Jolly Roger. It turned out to be more complicated than initially thought, and the County is soliciting bids before issuing a purchase order. We are reluctant to plant new podocarpus before the irrigation system is repaired.

#### **Money Matters**

Our Moorings Treasurer, Brenda Merchberger, has tallied up the dues collected for 2018. Thanks to you, we collected the second highest total in six years (but it's not too late if you haven't contributed yet). The street race ended with Bridgetown Court in first place, St Georges Court in second place, and St Lucia Court with the third highest dues collected. Our account now holds \$14,819.

#### Cancelled BBQ

Many thanks to the Moorings Social Director, Jeannine Hall, for organizing the Spring Fling BBQ, and for opening her porch for the pickup of meals. Unfortunately an inclement weather forecast resulted in a cancellation of the event.

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#### June 2018 Edition

#### A Message from the HOA President

We're looking forward to all the great things happening this summer, from the oyster bed program, to the street party, to more neighborhood improvements. Thanks again to the volunteers that helped in reconditioning and upgrading the south entrance a couple weeks ago and thanks to Rick for organizing the effort, it looks great. Please consider participation in the oyster bed program this summer (this is not "oyster gardening" / this is a permanent install of oysters - details below). I wish you luck in preparing your residence for the upcoming hurricane season and we'll see you at the street party!

Clyde

#### **Oyster Bed Installation Signup**

In our recent survey of Moorings improvement projects, the majority of respondents gave the quality of the water in our canals the top priority. We found a great opportunity for us to participate in a free project that uses oyster beds to clean the water. An adult oyster is capable of filtering up to 50 gallons of water per day. BUT we have to ACT NOW as a group to be considered for installation this summer. Clyde is collecting signup info and Cole (Waterways board member 321-773-5763, <a href="mailto:cpanning@aol.com">cpanning@aol.com</a>) is taking over the program to answer questions and help with logistics. <a href="mailto:Please send an email to Clyde Bridge">Please send an email to Clyde Bridge</a> or text/call 321-258-7401 before June 7th with the below information if you want to be considered for the Brevard County/Zoo project that will install oyster beds on your property at no cost to you:

- Property owners legal name (and current resident, if not owner).
- · Contact phone number.
- Contact email.
- · Property's street address.

#### Answers to your questions:

- You do NOT need to perform any maintenance on the oysters.
- You do NOT need a dock or pilings.
- The oysters will be placed in bags near your seawall.
- The oysters are not detrimental to your seawall. The program director actually cited cases where seawalls were better supported with the oysters than those without (based on damage from last two hurricanes).
- The oysters will not grow to the top of the water and continue to take over the canal to
  eventually restrict and cut-off waterway navigation. Oysters generally will only grow on a
  hard substrate / on top of the installed bags and not go into the sandy bottom of the
  canal.
- This is not the "Oyster Gardening" program so many are familiar with. The "Oyster Gardening" program had the home owner growing oysters in cages, required home owner maintenance, and eventually returns the oysters to the zoo for reef creation elsewhere in the county.

#### NOTES:

• The Brevard Zoo and Brevard County are joining forces (and funding) to install permanent oyster beds on resident properties throughout the county.

• If we act fast, we can participate in this phase of the program, with oyster bed installations sometime this summer. The next opportunity to signup is Jan 2019 with the next install in summer 2019.

County / program approvals are based on a three factors (> 1' depth water, no sea grass, & amount of waterfront property). We will submit as a single HOA to be considered a larger single project but individual parcel size will still matter (i.e. the more neighbors we get to participate, the better our chances are to be approved for this install). The total number of houses that sign up will be considered but the more side-by-side neighbors that sign up the better (continuous oyster reef is hardier and more likely to survive).

#### Moorings Party on Saturday, June 30th!

A group of volunteers headed up by Michelle Belin and Maggie Swiderski has organized a Summer Street Party for Saturday evening, June 30<sup>th</sup>. The weather didn't cooperate for our Spring Fling BBQ, so don't you think we deserve a neighborhood party? It will be happening on the far north end of Jolly Roger Drive from 5PM until 8PM. Food trucks! Kid's bike parade! Bingo and raffles! BYOB. Tents will be set up with tables and chairs for dining.

#### In Memory

Moorings resident Kelly Cox passed away unexpectedly over the Memorial Day weekend. He and his wife lived at 427 St. Georges Court.

#### **Welcome to the Neighborhood**

Welcome Thad and Magi Kyle to the neighborhood. They have moved into 460 Port Royal Boulevard.

#### **Moorings South Entrance**

One of the improvement projects selected by residents in our recent poll was sprucing up the entrances to the Moorings. Volunteers tackled the south entrance first. They sanded, and painted the pilings. Peter Mosher refreshed the Moorings sign, and José Bermudez replaced the light fixtures and rope on the pilings. Thanks, guys!

#### **Moorings Finances**

Our Moorings Treasurer, Brenda Merchberger, reports our checking account now holds \$14,819.

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#### **Hurricane Resources**

The 2018 Hurricane Season began on June 1st. Here are some resources you can turn to when a storm is threatening:

- Report a power outage by calling FPL (800-468-4243)
- Brevard County Fire Rescue (non-emergency) 321-633-2056
- Brevard County Sheriff (non-emergency) 321-633-7162

- To receive messages on your cell phone, text "Follow BrevardEOC" to 40404
- Register your cell phone for AlertBrevard at www.embrevard.com, and click on "Alert Sign-up"
- Visit the National Weather Service Melbourne: www.weather.gov/mlb
- Visit the National Hurricane Center: www.nhc.noaa.gov
- Sign up for NextDoor.com in the Moorings neighborhood: <a href="https://nextdoor.com/invite/brspbthvdghjyfdhwphs">https://nextdoor.com/invite/brspbthvdghjyfdhwphs</a>

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## July 2018 Edition

#### A Message from the HOA President

I wanted to thank everyone who signed up for the permanent oyster program last month and thanks to Cole for taking over that program execution. This together with the dredging will hopefully start our canals on a path to rehabilitation. Thanks also to Maggie & Michelle for organizing the Moorings Street Party. The neighborhood is really coming together and we only have each and every one of you to thank for your participation and program success!

Clyde

#### **Update on Muck Removal**

The South Patrick Residents Association hosted a presentation about muck removal by the Brevard Natural Resources Management Department recently. Here are some highlights:

- Schedule: Permits have been issued, bids for the project will be received this fall, with muck removal beginning late this year/ early next year. It is estimated to be a two to three year project.
- Nearly half a million cubic yards of muck will be removed from the Grand Canal and finger canals (all canals in the Moorings will be involved).
- The dredged material will be "de-watered" at a site south of the Pineda Causeway.
- Homeowners will receive waiver letters to sign, to allow the contractors to dredge up to five feet from your pilings and seawalls. (Otherwise there would be a ten foot offset from any waterfront structures.)

The President of the South Patrick Residents Association, Ayn Samuelson, is concerned that once our North Grand Canal Project is completed, in 2 to 3 years, that the same 6.83 acre parcel at the north end of the Grand Canal might also be used for muck deposition and dewatering from other portions of the Grand Canal system located within the cities of Satellite Beach and Indian Harbour Beach, for which separate funding, dewatering locations, and transport should be planned. The County commission will hold a public meeting to approve the annual temporary use agreement (TUA) for our de-watering site, and we should demand assurances the site will be restored, and not used for other projects, after the northern de-mucking is completed. Otherwise, our residents could be subject to an additional 4 to 6 years of muck dredging impacts.

#### **Moorings Summer Street Party**

Many thanks to the group of volunteers headed up by Michelle Belin and Maggie Swiderski who organized the Moorings Summer Street Party. The rain stopped in time for a fun neighborhood get-together.

#### Welcome to the Neighborhood

Please welcome Lisa and Bryan Parry to the neighborhood. They have moved into 471 Port Royal Boulevard. And Ryan and Amy Wilson have moved into 468 Bridgetown Court. If you have new neighbors on your street, please email us at MooringsHOA@gmail.com

#### **Moorings Restrictions**

If you're planning a new fence installation or other outdoor remodel, please check the Moorings Covenants and Restrictions. You can find them at the back of your printed Moorings Directory, and online at www.MooringsHOA.com. They also provide guidance on boats and RVs in your driveway, or any vehicle parked overnight on the street. And with election season fast approaching, a reminder that no political signs are allowed outside your home.

#### **Moorings Finances**

Our Moorings Treasurer, Brenda Merchberger, reports our checking account now holds \$15,083.

#### The Next Moorings HOA Board Meeting

Join us on Monday, July 16th at 7:30PM for the Moorings HOA Board Meeting. It will be held at the home of Brenda Merchberger, 415 Aruba Court. All are welcome to attend!

## **Moorings HOA Board, Committee Heads**

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### **August 2018 Edition**

#### A Message from the HOA President

Thanks again to Maggie & Michelle for organizing the street party as well as to all the residents that attended, it was a blast! Not only was it within walking distance, we actually made over \$100 from the 50/50 bingo! The board has remained active throughout the summer with approving "No Solicitation" signs for our entrances (see details below). And the neighborhood oyster application has been submitted with a few county information calls, now awaiting review. Please see below for a couple reminders about trash cans, street parked vehicles, and political signs. I hope you and your family enjoy your last couple weeks of summer and please keep an eye out for the kids as they start back to school.

Clyde

#### **Boil Water Notice Lifted**

In case you were wondering what all the construction was about on Aruba Court over the weekend, a water main broke in the area. Residents on Aruba were instructed to boil their water as a precaution. The results of the bacteriological survey came back, showing the water is safe again. Drink up!

#### **Door-to-Door Solicitors**

As a result of numerous instances of questionable vendors and their aggressive door-to-door soliciting, the board agreed to install "No Soliciting" signs at both entrances. However, groups such as the Boy and Girl Scouts, and the Satellite High School Football team would be permitted to solicit. Other groups can contact the HOA Board via email to gain permission in a timely fashion.

#### In Memory

Longtime Moorings resident William J. "Tom" DeJarnette passed away on July 3rd. Tom was an Air Force officer and combat pilot, who served for more than 20 years. He retired at Patrick AFB as an airfield operations officer, flew for the Aero Club, and became an senior FAA pilot. He and his wife had lived on St Georges Court until recently. Tom was 86.

#### **Welcome to the Neighborhood**

Welcome Thad and Magi Kyle to the neighborhood. They have moved into 460 Port Royal Boulevard. And the Ramsey family have bought 412 Bridgetown Court. If you know of a new neighbor, please let us know (mooringshoa@gmail.com)

#### **Correction to De-mucking Article**

Thanks to Randy Scully, we learned that not all the canals in the Moorings will be dredged. Randy attended the SPRA meeting, where the Brevard Natural Resources Management department said that the St Georges/ Port Royal finger canal will not be included in the demucking project. We contacted the department, and they confirmed that canal was removed from the project during the permitting process due to manatee concerns.

#### **Moorings Finances**

Our Moorings Treasurer, Brenda Merchberger, reports our checking account now holds \$13.419.

#### Gators in our Canals

It's best to keep small pets away from the water when an alligator has been sighted in your canal. The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission does offer a free program to remove "nuisance" alligators. Generally, an alligator may be deemed a "nuisance" if it is AT LEAST four feet in length and you believe it poses a threat to people, pets or property. The FWC says "alligators less than 4 feet in length are not large enough to be dangerous unless handled. They eat fish, frogs and other small animals. Typically, they are not large enough to be a threat even to small pets. The mere presence of a small alligator is not cause for concern. Occasionally, alligators less than 4 feet in length are legitimate problems and must be addressed." Call the Nuisance Alligator Hotline at 866-FWC-GATOR (\*\* 866-392-4286 (tel:866-392-4286)). If your complaint meets their criteria, the FWC will hire an independent trapper to remove the gator.

#### Please Remember the Restrictions

County Safety Vehicle Request (HOA Covenants & Restrictions #5): Try not to park in the street if you have room in your garage or driveway. If you do not have room and must park in the street, please park your vehicle in the grass as much as possible to allow maximum road clearance for emergency vehicles (as well as our residents).

Garbage Can Request (HOA Covenants & Restrictions #13): Please make your best effort to move your trash and recycle bins and hide them from the street view during non-collection days.

Yard Signs (HOA Covenants & Restrictions #6) Only "Home for Sale" or "Home for Rent" signs are allowed in our yards. We point this out since we are entering election season.

#### The Next Moorings HOA Board Meeting

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#### September 2018 Edition

#### A Message from the HOA President

A reminder that with our soon to be installed "No Solicitation" sign at the entrance to the Moorings, the board will consider neighborhood solicitation requests on a case-by-case basis. As with aggressive solicitors, or any suspicious individuals within our neighborhood, do not hesitate to contact the Sheriff department's non-emergency dispatch number (321-633-7162). They've stated they would rather answer ten suspicious activity calls than one robbery or violent criminal activity call. Stay safe...

Clyde

#### **Update on Jolly Roger Irrigation System**

The irrigation system along Jolly Roger is maintained by Brevard County, but it hasn't been working in a long time. The Moorings Roads & Grounds volunteer, José Bermudez, reports the county finally replaced the wires running from the electrical panel to the pump in the island, and made repairs to the system.

#### **Update on Canal De-Mucking Project**

Ayn Samuelson of the South Patrick Residents Association reports the project has slowed down a little. The Temporary Use Agreement for the "de-watering site" (the strip along the south side of the Pineda Causeway where the muck will be dumped) has not yet been placed on the Brevard County Commissioners agenda. The Moorings Waterways volunteer, Cole Panning, would like residents of the north side of St Georges Ct and the south side of Port Royal Blvd to know that their canal will not be dredged due to manatee concerns.

#### In Memory

Ken Golic, a Moorings resident at 400 Bridgetown Court, died on Tuesday, August 28th. Ken, age 51, was the son of Rosemary Golick.

#### **Moorings Finances**

Our Moorings Treasurer, Brenda Merchberger, reports our checking account now holds \$13,470.

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#### October 2018 Edition

#### A Message from the HOA President

Thanks so much to José for coordinating the installation of the "No Solicitation" signs. Now that the county has repaired the irrigation system, this month we plan on selecting a vendor to replace the dead podocarpus in the Jolly Roger hedge. We are looking forward to a couple months of fun times with Trick-or-Treating and our November / Fall picnic. Please keep an eye out for the little ones and be considerate while parking within the neighborhood streets.

Clyde

#### **Update on Oysters**

Many of you signed up for having oysters placed along your seawall to help improve the quality of the water in our canals. The Moorings Waterways volunteer, Cole Panning, has an update on the project.

The manager at Brevard Zoo responsible for the oyster project told Cole that there are three main hurdles to cross in the process:

- 1. Obtaining federal permits through the Army Corps of Engineers,
- Obtaining state permits through the Florida Dept of Environmental Protection and/or local water management district, and
- 3. Brevard County approval to fund the project.

The zoo met with the Army Corps of Engineers to discuss the process of permitting such a long project with so many separate property owners and they made a lot of headway. There is now a plan and an informal agreement in place regarding the permitting process for our community's canal oyster reefs.

The zoo is still discussing this project with the State but is hopeful that it will get a roadmap in place soon and will have staff out to survey the properties this month. Then the project(s) will get submitted to the County for funding in November.

In related news, Cole reminds residents of the north side of St Georges Ct and the south side of Port Royal Blvd that your canal will not be dredged to remove muck. If you have concerns you may contact IRLProject@brevardfl.gov.

#### **Warning to Solicitors**

We have installed "No Soliciting" signs at both entrances to the Moorings. They are meant to deter aggressive or annoying door-to-door solicitors. But the HOA Board will consider approving neighborhood non-profit solicitation requests on a case-by-case basis. Many thanks to Roads & Grounds volunteer José Bermudez and HOA President Clyde Bridge for installing the signs!

#### **Volunteers Welcome**

The Moorings HOA currently is looking for a street representative for Aruba Court, and our Covenants volunteer, Kevin VanHulse, is selling his home, so we will also need a new Covenants and Restrictions committee head. In fact, if you would like to volunteer for any position on the HOA board please let us know. We are always looking for folks who care about our community. Send an email to MooringsHOA@gmail.com and tell us what position you're interested in.

#### Halloween

Halloween is fast approaching. Invite trick or treaters to stop by your home by leaving the porch light on between 6PM and 8:30PM. Check NextDoor.com for any area Halloween events.

#### Parking is a Problem

We recognize that it's difficult for some families to fit all their cars in their garage or driveway, particularly when guests are visiting. But parking overnight on our streets is a violation of Moorings Covenants, and a county ordinance prohibits blocking the sidewalk. During the day, consider not parking on the street across from another vehicle; it might block emergency vehicles or garbage trucks. Consider parking on the grass.

#### **Update on Sewage Lift Station**

Brevard County maintains a pump at the northwest corner of St Georges Ct and Jolly Roger to send raw sewage on its way to the treatment plant. They will be replacing this lift station and moving it to either the southwest corner (at the site of the new home under construction) or the northeast corner of the intersection. The exact location and schedule for construction have not been finalized. Ayn Samuelson of the South Patrick Residents Association warns that the northeastern location may pose a pollution risk to the nearby canal. The contractor is obligated to provide us access to our homes during the process, but the construction will be disruptive to our community. The county just completed a similar project at the entrance to Lake Shepard, and you may have noticed the mess it created.

#### **Fall Street Party**

Plans are being made for the next Moorings street party. We will announce the November date when the event is finalized.

#### **Moorings Finances**

Our Moorings Treasurer, Brenda Merchberger, reports our checking account now holds \$13,357.

#### The Next Moorings HOA Board Meeting

Join us on Monday, November 19th at 7:30PM for the Moorings HOA Board Meeting. It will be held at the home of Clyde Bridge, 466 St. Lucia Court. All are welcome to attend!



#### **November 2018 Edition**

#### A Message from the HOA President

Thanks so much for your patience with the neighborhood upgrades and improvements. Some are taking a bit longer than originally anticipated. Recently the board posted the "No Solicitation" signs and installed the new podocarpus plants along the front (thanks to José for trimming the entire front line of Podocarpus as well as the front entrance island). The oyster project is chugging along. Be sure to watch your email inbox for updates from Cole and the Brevard Zoo.

Clyde

#### **Update on Muck Dredging**

We reported recently that the "Berkeley" canal between Port Royal Blvd. and St Georges Ct. was not going to be dredged because of manatee concerns. Wes Knick of Port Royal Blvd took the initiative to make some phone calls inquiring as to exactly why the Berkley Canal was specifically excluded.

He talked with the US Fish and Wildlife Service, the Brevard County Natural Resources Department, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and relevant members of the South Patrick Residents Association. The Brevard County Department of Natural Resources obtains the permit through the US Army Corps of Engineers to dredge the canals. The US Fish and Wildlife Service is part of the approval process for permits and reviews the permits that have the potential to affect marine wildlife.

Wes confirmed that originally the Berkeley canal was intentionally not included in the original permitting process by the Brevard County Natural Resources in an attempt to obtain a dredging permit by the Brevard County Natural Resources that would be less restrictive due to the heightened manatee activity in the winter months. At present no dredging activities are approved during the winter months from 1 November through 31 May per mandate by the US Fish and Wildlife Service. Exclusion of the Berkley Canal due to heightened manatee activity was essentially an attempt to obtain a permit that would allow dredging activities to continue into the prohibited November through May winter months. When the permit was granted, the approval and time frame open for dredging was no less restrictive whether the Berkley canal was included in the permit or not according to the Brevard County Department of Natural Resources.

At present the dredging permit is being revised and Wes has been told by the Brevard County Natural Resources that the Berkley Canal will be added back in to the permit in addition to other modifications. So, it's possible that ALL the finger canals in the Moorings will be de-mucked. But nothing will happen until the manatees return to the lagoon and largely vacate the canals next spring in May.

#### **Update on Oyster Project**

For those of you who returned your Letter of Commitment to the Brevard Zoo to have oysters placed next to your seawall, the wait begins. The purpose of the project is to clean our canals by filtering the water through oysters. Jeff Perry attended a meeting, and reports that the zoo will work with homeowners on oyster placement so that they will not impact water access or boat storage, and the oysters won't be placed until canal dredging is completed. Here is more information shared in a presentation given lasted month by the zoo staff:

- The zoo will use your agreement to submit an application for funding, and to handle applicable permits.
- This is a slow process, with multiple levels of approval.
- A Citizens Oversight Committee reviews proposals and forwards lagoon projects to the County Commissioners for final approval.
- Hopefully by next January, the County will approve funding.
- Then the oyster project can start getting permits submitted (next April at the earliest).
- Once permits are approved, the zoo executes a contract with the County.
- Finally, the oysters can be placed along your seawall.

# **Moorings Finances**

Our Moorings Treasurer, Brenda Merchberger, reports our checking account now holds \$12,987.