

## August 2019 Edition

#### A Word from the HOA President

The great news about the revitalization effort is that we have passed the major hurdle of the state review and approval! We now only have a few clerical items to complete within the next few weeks and we'll be whole once again as an official HOA !

The board is also very excited about putting effort towards the front entrance. I have to admit I was not all-in on this effort until after we started reviewing many of the county (and Indian River County) high-end neighborhood front entrances. There's many options on the table and the final will be sure to result in a main entrance we all can be proud of. Can't wait to share the plans !!!

#### HOA Revitalization Approved

We collected more than the number of signed consent forms necessary to move forward with the revitalization of our Covenants & Restrictions. The State of Florida received our packet of forms on June 10th. They just notified us that our Revitalization has been approved. Next the approved documents will be filed with Brevard County. Then we can once again enforce our Covenants & Restrictions in the Moorings community. We are also required to send each homeowner a copy of all the recorded documents once the process is complete.

We have heard from some residents who would like to update the wording of the Covenants & Restrictions. We plan on establishing a committee of homeowners who would review the original wording, and compile a list of proposed changes. if you are interested, please email us at MooringsHOA@gmail.com. Note that the State requires that two-thirds of all homeowners approve any proposed changes, so this is a higher hurdle than the revitalization effort which only required 50% approval.

#### Enhancements to our Community

Last year we asked you to rank proposed enhancements to our community. We have made some progress on the priority items:

Restoring Jolly Roger Hedge: José Bermudez worked with a landscaper and the county to replace plantings along the road and restore operation of the sprinkler system.

Paths to the South Patrick Walkway: Pavers were placed at two locations between Jolly Roger Drive and South Patrick Drive.

South Entrance: The poles were painted, roping was replaced, the sign was restored, and new light fixtures were installed.

Lunch or Dinner Event: Jeannine Hall reports only a handful of people expressed an interest in a lunch or dinner event at a local restaurant. Unless more residents express an interest, this event will be on hold.

Canal Quality: Clyde Bridge headed an effort to get the Brevard Zoo to place oysters along our seawalls to help clean the canal waters.

The HOA Board is now considering enhancing the Moorings main entrance island. Linda Weir-Wawrzyniak and Brenda Merchberger are contacting landscape designers to obtain proposals. The goal is to have an entrance that reflects the quality of our community.

#### Welcome

Join us in welcoming Jason and Elizabeth Bublitz to the Moorings. They recently moved into 424 Saint Georges Court. If you know any of new residents, please let us know so we may welcome them.

#### Treasurer's Report

Brenda Merchberger reports we have \$15,603 in our checking account as of the end of July 2019.

#### Next Moorings HOA Board Meeting

The next HOA board meeting will be held on Monday, September 16th at the home of Clyde Bridge, 466 St Lucia Court. The meeting starts at 7:30PM. All are invited!

## Visit us on the web at www.MooringsHOA.com Email us at MooringsHOA@gmail.com



## **July 2019 Edition**

## A Message from the HOA President

Neighbors,

Thanks so much for the overwhelming support and response to our revitalization! Speaking of property values, these are exciting times with many our neighbors remodeling and renovating. Please be patient with the temporary mess and inconvenience that will pass in the near term and leave us all with the benefit long term of a nicer neighborhood.

Clyde

## **HOA Revitalization Moves Forward**

We received more than enough signed consent forms to revitalize our Covenants & Restrictions. Thank you! The documents have been sent to the State of Florida. They have 60 days to approve our request. We will inform all homeowners once the process is complete. Then you can take a look at the existing Covenants & Restrictions to see what you'd like to change.

## School Is Out

The legal speed limit on all streets in the Moorings is 20 mph. Now that school is out and children are playing in the neighborhood, it's more important than ever to drive slowly. The most common offenders are delivery trucks (feel free to signal your displeasure to the Fedex and UPS drivers), contractors and lawn service trucks (have a word with your service provider if you find them speeding). But some residents have also been speeding through our streets. Please watch your speed!

## **Training for Oyster Gardeners**

The Brevard Zoo Restore Our Shores Team is hosting an Oyster Gardener Training session Saturday July 13, 9am -10:30AM at the Eastminster Presbyterian Church, 106 N Riverside Drive in Indialantic. Sign up **here.** 

Learn how to grow oysters off your own dock to be used to build oyster reefs in the lagoon which clean the Lagoon waters. A single adult oyster can filter up to 50 gallons of water per day, removing excess algae which clouds the waters and contributes to fish kills. The Zoo provides all the materials and training at no cost to you.

## **Muck Dredging**

Residents on the Berkeley canal (the waterway between the north side of St Georges and the south side of Port Royal) are still collecting signatures to have their canal dredged. The Berkeley canal was omitted from the contract that was approved by the County Commission. If you live in the Moorings and would like to sign the petition, please contact Wesley Knick at 321-848-4820, or you can email him at wesknick@gmail.com. The earliest that any of the canals will be dredged is the spring of 2020.

## **New Street Representative**

Welcome Corrie Dunkin to our Moorings HOA team! Corrie has volunteered as Street Representative for Aruba Ct. Corrie lives with her husband Chris and children Casen, Oliver and Amelia at 416 Aruba. If you live on Aruba, you may contact Corrie at 541-295-0704.

### Lunch or Dinner Social Event

There was some positive response from last month's article about attending a group lunch or dinner event at a local restaurant. But our volunteer Social Director, Jeannine Hall, is looking for more folks to sign on. If you are interested, please **email Jeannine** with your contact information.

## **Treasurer's Report**

Brenda Merchberger reports we have \$17,143 in our checking account as of the end of June 2019.

## **Moorings HOA Board Meeting**

The next HOA board meeting will be held on Monday, July 15th at the home of Clyde Bridge, 466 St Lucia Court. The meeting starts at 7:30PM. All are invited!



## **June 2019 Edition**

## A Message from the HOA President

Neighbors,

Please send in your signed HOA covenants consent form if you haven't already done so (and many thanks to those who have). We have ALMOST the number of signed forms needed to revitalize our covenants and restrictions. Please note that this action changes nothing in our current covenants and restrictions, and annual dues remain voluntary. If you have any questions about the process, please contact me.

Clyde

## **Questions about Revitalization**

Here are some of the questions we've received regarding renewing our Covenants and Restrictions, and our answers:

#### Q: How long will the revitalization process take?

A: Once we have a majority of homeowners who have signed the consent form, we will send the documents to the State of Florida. It may take them from one to three months to certify the process.

## Q: My real estate agent told me that the Moorings HOA was voluntary when I bought the house.

A: Our annual dues are voluntary, but membership is not.

# Q: Can't we please remove all houses on the south side of Aruba from the Association as we don't face the water?

A: Per Florida statutes, we must revitalize the documents exactly as they were last approved. The plat on file with the county includes all the homes on both sides of Aruba Court.

#### Q: I heard that the Moorings has an agreement with the church. What are we doing about that?

A: The Board has been unable to find any information about an agreement with the church property backing to Aruba Court.

# **Q:** If I don't sign the consent agreement, am I still subject to the Moorings Covenants & Restrictions?

A: Yes, all homeowners will be subject to the Covenants & Restrictions.

## **Progress Toward De-Mucking**

On May 21st, the Brevard County Commission approved negotiating a contract with Gator Dredging for the Grand Canal muck removal process. The \$26-million project will be funded by the State of Florida (\$10-million) and Save Our Indian River Lagoon Trust Fund (\$16-million).

The project will start with establishing a de-watering area for the muck south of the Pineda Causeway, and then next spring expect to see dredges in our canals. The graphic below was included in the county agenda.



Note that it does not include the "Berkley" canal (the waterway between the north side of St Georges and the south side of Port Royal). Residents on that canal have started a petition to the county to have the canal dredged. If you live in the Moorings and would like to sign the petition, please contact Wesley Knick at 321-848-4820. He will bring the petition to you for your signature.

## **A Word About Gators**

There have been recent sightings of an alligator in our canals. The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission will send a commercial trapper to remove the gator, IF it is at least four feet long and poses an immediate threat to people or pets.

If you see a gator that meets those criteria, you may call the Nuisance Gator Hotline at 866-392-4286. The homeowner who sees the gator must make the call, since they require you to grant the trapper access to your property.

### **New Footpaths**

Our Roads & Grounds volunteer, José Bermudez, has placed some pavers between Jolly Roger Drive and the sidewalk along South Patrick Drive. This makes it easier to go from one to another without trampling the hedge. Thanks, José!

### Lunch or Dinner Social Event

Some residents have expressed an interest in attending a group lunch or dinner event at a local restaurant. It would be "dutch treat" and our volunteer Social Director, Jeannine Hall, is offering to organize the event. If you are interested, please **email Jeannine** with your contact information.

### Welcome to the Moorings

Please welcome Lauren and Jeff VanWie, a new neighbor to the Moorings at 496 Jolly Roger Drive. And welcome back Melissa Queen. Melissa grew up at 444 St. Georges Court, where her parents, the Patsons, were among the first owners in the Moorings.

## Join Our Team!

The Moorings Homeowners Association is looking for someone to join our team as a Street Representative for Aruba Court. The Street Rep greets new residents on the street, and forwards their contact information to us. They occasionally distribute HOA newsletters and documents to residents on the street. If you can spare an hour or so a month, please contact Clyde Bridge to volunteer.

## **Treasurer's Report**

Brenda Merchberger reports we have \$17,308 in our checking account as of the end of May 2019.

## **Moorings HOA Board Meeting**

You are invited to join us for the next meeting of the Moorings HOA board. It will be held on July 15th at the home of Clyde Bridge (466 St. Lucia Ct). The meeting starts at 7:30PM. All are welcome!



## May 2019 Edition

## A Message from the HOA President

Neighbors,

Please join me in thanking José for doing all he does to keep up with our roads & grounds. The sprinkler system alone can keep a small army busy most of the month - it really makes a difference!

Please also be on the lookout for the revitalization paperwork in the mail. Please sign and return as soon as you can so we can move forward in the process to renew our covenants.

Clyde

## **Revitalization of the Moorings HOA**

Each homeowner in the Moorings will soon receive a package in the mail that describes the need to renew our covenants and restrictions. Please read the materials, and then sign the letter and return it in the provided stamped envelope. The Moorings HOA has started a legal process to meet the requirements of Florida Law Statute Chapter 712, the Marketable Record Titles Act. Your action is needed to preserve our covenants and restrictions. Please note that this action changes nothing in our current covenants and restrictions, and annual dues will remain voluntary. The State of Florida requires the signatures of more than 50% of current homeowners, so please return your letter of consent as soon as possible.

We have delayed printing the Moorings Directory until we have completed this process. However, you may download the most recent version of the directory of residents from DropBox by clicking here.

## **Spring Street Party**

There was an excellent turnout for the Moorings Spring Street Party on April 14th. A good time was had by all. And a special thanks to Jeannine Hall and Maggie Swiderski who organized the event.

## **Treasurer's Report**

Brenda Merchberger, the Moorings HOA treasurer, reports that our checking account totaled \$18,538 as of April 30th.

## Pet Emergency Notification System (PENS)

Have you ever found a dog or cat, or have you ever lost your own pet? Lin Hilliard of St. Georges Ct. created the Pet Emergency Notification System (PENS) to help reunite pets with their owners!

PENS is an email-based program. Just email Lin to let her know you want to be notified if a pet is lost or found in our neighborhood. The email addresses are used only for the PENS group – nothing else. With all of us keeping our eyes and ears open, we can help reunite pets with their owners before it is too late.

To join the PENS program, email Lin at <u>Ihilliard@spranews.com</u> or call at 321-777-0927.

## **Moorings HOA Board Meeting**

You are invited to join us for the next meeting of the Moorings HOA board. It will be held on May 20th at the home of Brenda Merchberger (415 Aruba Court). The meeting starts at 7:30PM. All are welcome!



# **March 2019**

## A Message from HOA President Clyde Bridge

Looking forward to seeing you at our Garage Sale and Spring Street Party! It's also exciting to see the neighborhood rallying around the dues collection to allow for upgrades, enhancements, and general maintenance to keep our neighborhood looking good.

In the spirit of our lagoon health, please ask your lawn care staff to not blow lawn clippings into the canal. We've received quite a few notices about this happening throughout the neighborhood. We all have choices – think about selecting the lawn care specialist that also cares for our waterways!

Lastly, be on the lookout for HOA paperwork in the upcoming months that will maintain our existing covenants. Feel free to contact me at any time with questions.

## **Moorings Due Drive**

Many thanks to those of yu who promptly paid your voluntary HOA dues. We have collected over \$7,775 to date. Bridgetown Ct. is still leading in contributions, with St. Georges coming in a close second. We are just \$100 away from setting a record, so if you haven't contributed yet, please consider sending your check to: PO Box 372163, Satellite Beach, FL 32937 to push us over the top. We have a list of projects we'd like to start on to enhance our community!

## **Moorings Spring Party**

Jeannine Hall and Maggie Swiderski are planning for our next Moorings Street Party. It's tentatively set for Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>. We'll have more details as the date gets closer.

## **Moorings Finances**

Our Moorings Treasurer, Brenda Merchberger, reports our checking account now hold \$15,811.

### **Next Moorings HOA Board Meeting**

Join us on Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM for the next Moorings HOA board meeting. It will be held at the home of Jeannine Hall (424 Bridgetown Ct). All are welcome!

If you would prefer to have the Moorings Newsletter *emailed* to you each month, please let us know by sending an email to MooringsHOA@gmail.com.



# February 2019

## A Message from HOA President Clyde Bridge

I want to thank the BCSO for hosting and all those that attended the Crime Watch meeting – it was very informative! A few big take-aways: Please call the Sheriff ANYTIME if you see ANYONE or ANYTHING suspicious. They would rather gather information than come after the fact and deal with a burglary (or worse) report. Also, please take advantage of their free services (security survey & vacation checks) detailed below. Your neighbors also would like to thank all who are not parking in the street overnight. Parking vehicles either in your driveways or at least half in the grass allows for safer traffic flow.

## **Neighborhood Watch**

The Moorings is participating with the Brevard County Sheriff's Neighborhood Watch program. At an informational meeting on January 22nd, we learned that they encourage you to call if you see anyone or anything suspicious. The non-emergency number is 321-952-6371. Four deputies are assigned to our area (Zone 61), and will respond as needed. Of course, if it's an emergency, call 911.

The Sheriff's department encourages you to always keep your garage door down, the door between your garage and home locked when you're not at home, and keep your car doors locked. They also offer two free services:

**Home Security Survey** - They will visit your home and help identify potential security concerns. For a free and confidential survey call 321-264-7755.

**Vacation Check** - Inform the Sheriff's department if you will be on vacation for an extended period of time, and a deputy will occasionally drive by your home, as time permits.

## **Moorings Dues and Directory**

Many thanks to those of you who promptly paid your HOA dues, and returned your Moorings Directory form. We have collected \$5,250 to date. Bridgetown Ct. is leading in contributions, but it's not too late for your street to catch up.

The Moorings Directory will be going to the printers soon, so if you want your contact information included, be sure to return the form that was distributed with the January newsletter. Mail the form (along with your dues) to:

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

## Welcome New Neighbors

Join us in welcoming Dave and Elaine Horvath to the community. They live at 473 St. Lucia Ct.

## **Moorings Garage Sale**

Start pulling un-used items out of your closets and dust off the treasures in your garage. The next community-wide garage sale will be held on Saturday, March 2nd. The suggested hours are 8AM until noon. We've timed the sale to coincide with Satellite Beach community garage sales, so traffic should be better.

## Spring Block Party

Jeannine Hall and Maggie Swiderski are planning for our next Moorings block party. It's tentatively set for Sunday, April 14th. We'll have more details as the date gets closer.

## **Moorings Finances**

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## The Next Moorings HOA Board Meeting

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# The Moorings Homeowners Association January 2019 Newsletter

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## Next Board Meeting

When: Monday, January 21st at 7:30PM

**Where:** José Bermudez's home at 755 St Georges

Everyone is invited!

# HOA Board

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## A Note from the Moorings HOA President

Friends & Neighbors,

On behalf of the entire neighborhood I'd like to thank Jose for his continued maintenance and repair of our grounds and getting the island power operational. Big Thanks also to Suzanne and Mike McBride for another year of decorating the front island <sup>(2)</sup> it looks great <sup>(2)</sup>. I also would like to thank everyone who decorated for this joyous season, I've lost count of how many comments we get from neighbors and visitors on how festive our neighborhood decorations are and how much they like traveling through the streets and canals of the Moorings to enjoy our decorations <sup>(2)</sup>. Be on the look-out for notification soon for updates on our new Neighborhood Watch program. Hoping you and yours had an awesome Christmas break with your family & friends !

!!! Merry Christmas & Happy New Year !!!

Clyde

P.S. Thank you SO MUCH for the continued support of your HOA dues to allow for the continued maintenance and improvement of 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: Mark & Maggie Swiderski at 426 St. Lucia Ct.

Second Place Streetside Winner: Bill & Lois Farina at 454 St. Lucia Ct.

Third Place Streetside Winner: Mike & Suzanne McBride at 428 Port Royal Blvd.

First Place Waterside Winner: Jeff & Karyn Lewis at 475 Bridgetown Ct.

Second Place Waterside Winner: Mike & Suzanne McBride at 428 Port Royal Blvd.

Third Place Waterside Winner: Ron & Lois Steel (444 Bridgetown Ct) tied with Buzz and Laura Benevente (480 Aruba Ct.)

The winners will receive gift certificates, obtained by our social director, Jeanine Hall.

# 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 social events.

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. Or you can send your dues via **PayPal**. Log into your PayPal.com 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.

Please join your neighbors by contributing at one of the following three levels:

Suggested Contribution:

\$50 per year

Much Appreciated Contribution: \$100 per year

Minimum Contribution:

\$35 per year

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. Currently 194 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

## In Memory

Richard Charbonneau of 420 Port Royal Blvd. passed away on December 2<sup>nd</sup> at the age of 68. Kate, his wife of 27 years, survives him. Richard was born in Troy, NY and was a commercial pilot in the 1990's, and an entrepreneur. He had an enthusiasm for local politics. TREASURER'S REPORT As of 12/19/2018 Total Funds: \$11,796

## 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) Jeannine Hall (321) 777-7884 Rosemary Golick (321) 777-5151

Aruba Ct. (516-518 Jolly Roger)

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