



The Beachcomber



By: Vicki Anderson

*Hernando Beach
Property Owners
Association
Newsletter*

Our next meeting
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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE BY BILL ROBERTS**

Goodbye January and hello February. The first HBPOA General Membership Meeting hosted guest speaker Mr. John Stratton, Hernando County School District Superintendent. His presentation shared his goals for the students of Hernando County and how he hopes to achieve them. To address teacher and staff shortages, he invited members of the audience to volunteer and participate in the solution. Additionally, he promoted his motto for building support among teachers, parents, and students for the County's educational goals to "learn it, love it, live it". It's a mantra to stay focused on the good that leads to more of the same.

The minutes from our January 6th meeting are included in this issue of the Beachcomber. Please review them as they will become part of the official record pending any edits for accuracy. Send your comments to HBPOABeachcomber@gmail.com. Also in this edition of the Beachcomber are dates of events being hosted by our Landscape Team, Hospitality and Membership Team - add these dates to your very own Hernando Beach Life Calendar as a reminder.

Last month I mentioned that the HBPOA is a 501(c)(4). You may ask "What does that mean?" This designation is defined by the IRS as a local association of Persons in a particular municipality whose net earnings will be devoted exclusively to charitable, educational or recreational purposes. The organization must meet the following requirements:

It must be of a purely local character; It must limit its membership to persons in a particular locality; Its articles of organization, constitution or bylaws must devote its net earnings exclusively to charitable, educational, or recreational purposes; and No part of its net earnings may inure to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual. An organization is of a purely local character if its activities are confined to a particular community, place or district, irrespective of political subdivision.

Next month I will review a section of the HBPOA Bylaws to refresh and review

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for membership what it means, how it is important to you and how it helps the organization function. We will start with: "Section 3.11 – Confidentiality of member data and information." Your private data is important.

On December 15, 2021, the Hernando County Fine Arts Council awarded the HBPOA a \$1,000 Community Arts Grant for its 2022 Project "Hernando Beach Property Owners Community Appreciation Art Installation." How did this happen? I was alerted to this opportunity by Diane Ziemski – one of our own local HB artists. Working with Linda Tartaglione, I went online and filled out the form with an idea floated at one of our HB meetings. The idea competed against several other organizations and teams!

Here is the idea! The Hernando Beach Property Owners Community Appreciation Art Installation is "How do we greet and welcome guests and residents driving into the community?" At the South entrance we have at the beautiful Triangle Park with signage. To the North we are lacking any type of announcement of where you are and what is here. This artist impression installation will greet our residents and guests with a unique and original presentation capturing a unique visual interpretation of what Hernando Beach is about. Thank you, Diane Ziemski, for the opportunity to submit a great idea. Thank you, Linda Tartaglione, for helping me put your concept to paper. For our general membership, if you are interested in assisting with this installation, please contact me at 540-419-5871.

We are also proud to announce the Florida Watercolor Society (FWS) selection of Diane Ziemski's work *Mean Girls* for the 2022 FWS Online Show. The show was judged by Alexis Lavine on 8 January who wrote "*There were many outstanding paintings, and the resulting show is diverse, in subject, technique, expression, and materials. It all comes together to showcase, not just the significant talents of the artists in the Florida Watercolor Society, but also the tremendous and wide-ranging possibilities in watercolor painting today.*"

Please visit the FWS website at <https://floridawatercolorsociety.org/online-show/> to see Diane's work and the other pieces submitted for the competition.

That my friends, is the short list. If you'd like to participate, join a committee please. We still need volunteers for Bylaws and Finance & Budgeting committees.

Love Where you Live!  
Bill Roberts

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## FEBRUARY SPEAKER

Our guest speaker for February will be Chris Linsbeck.

Chris is currently the Hernando County Community Services Director. This is an administrative position that plans, develops, and manages the Community Services Departments of Hernando County. The Community Services Departments consist of Parks and Recreation, Library Services, Animal Services, Veteran Services, and County Extension. His management responsibilities include planning, directing, and coordinating professional services for all Community Service Departments and programs. Chris is a long-time resident and grew up here in Hernando County. He served for four years in the United States Marine Corps from 1996-2000. After returning home, he attained his Bachelors of Applied Science in Business Administration and Management in 2009. Chris is currently on his 18<sup>th</sup> year as an employee of Hernando County Board of County Commissioners.

We hope to see you!

# Hernando Beach Property Owners Association

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**Board Meetings held the Monday before the Membership Meeting.**

## HERNANDO BEACH PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION 2022 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION & RENEWAL FORM

HBPOA meetings are held the 1st Thursday of every month.  
Meetings are held at the Coast Guard Station on Calienta St, the doors open at 6:45pm and meetings start at 7pm.

**Dues are \$35.00 annually and include the Beachcomber Newsletter mailed to you.**  
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| Bill Roberts      | President      | yes | Scott Fitzgerald | Director | yes |
| Diane Greenwell   | Vice President | yes | James Fournier   | Director | yes |
| Linda Tartaglione | Secretary      | yes | Denis Polyn      | Director | yes |
| Jen Brown         | Treasurer      | yes | Bobbi Caccamisi  | Director | yes |
| Dave Skinner      | Director       | yes | Quorum?          |          | Yes |

Finance: Jen Brown. Motion: remaining calendars to membership, second and approved.  
 Membership: Patty Roberts, Marlies Blackford.  
 Hospitality: Judy Hughes.  
 Landscape: Bill Roberts.  
 Gov't Affairs: Mike Fulford.  
 Litigation: Scott Fitzgerald. Legal fees \$24,340.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

In executive session:  
 6. Removal from membership of Mr. & Mrs. Reeve without cause per HBPOA Bylaws Sec 3.10. Motion passed.  
 End executive session.  
 7. Member Comments.

**CALL TO ORDER at 7:05pm**

1. Pledge of Allegiance.  
 Agenda approved.  
 Minutes from November Membership meeting approved as published in Beachcomber.
2. Introduction of New Officers and Board members - 2022 Board of Directors introduced.

**GUEST SPEAKER-**

3. John Stratton- Hernando County School Superintendent: [Stratton\\_j@hcsb.k12.fl.us](mailto:Stratton_j@hcsb.k12.fl.us).

**BUSINESS MEETING:**

4. President's Comments.
5. Committee reports:

**CLOSING COMMENTS / ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Eyes of freedom Iraq War exhibit at HB VFW. Closing Ceremony Saturday @ 2:30pm.

**ADJOURN at 9:10pm**

Motion to adjourn. Second. Passed.

50/50.

**DEPART BUILDING**



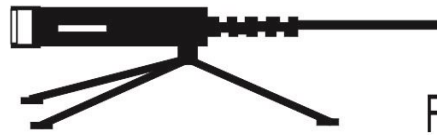
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Hello Hernando Beach

Here we are in the second month of 2022.

These articles are written in the month prior so the first order of business is hoping you all had a wonderful December 31st celebration. There were lots of fireworks here at the Beach to celebrate the New Year. And with the hope that 2022 will bring much joy to our Beach neighbors.

Ahhhh.. February, it's the month of love. Love for each other, love for our neighbors, love for the freedoms we have, love for the environment in which we live. We here at Hernando Beach have the blessings of being on the water where nature abounds. We often see dolphins, and fish jumping in our canals entertaining us. It is especially fun when we have northern friends and relatives visiting and we can share our special piece of the world.

Valentine's Day.. It occurs every February 14th Across the United States and in other places around the world, candy, flowers and gifts are exchanged between loved ones. We do know that February has long been celebrated as a month of romance, and that St. Valentine's Day, as we know it today, contains vestiges of both Christian and ancient Roman tradition.

Your Hospitality Team looks forward to your presence at our February HBPOA meeting.

Our January meeting filled the room and our new President Bill and his board are looking forward to a

great year. When folks get together, they find out what is happening in their neighborhood, get to know their neighbors, and maybe even get involved in some neighborhood socials. Marlies Blackford, now a member of the Membership Team is organizing a "Not just for Sweethearts" Bowling event in February. By now you should have received an email from HBPOA regarding this event.. Also, ladies, be watchful for the Ladies Breakfast Schedule.

If there is anyone out there who would like to organize a BBQ or other similar event? If so, mention it at our next HBPOA meeting. We welcome lots of event ideas.

Until March....  
Judy Hughes

**VOLUNTEERS....**

The Hernando County Fine Arts Council will again be sponsoring The 37th Annual Art in the Park.... March 12-13 at the Tom Varn Park.

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But volunteers are needed.... Varied opportunities, and times.

Please think about volunteering. This is the fundraising events for the Community Art Grants, which the HBPOA has recently received.

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Diane Ziemski, HCFAC Vice-Chair



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Mike is also a combat veteran, having served three separate tours in Afghanistan (2002) and Iraq (2008 and 2011). He received the Bronze Star Medal and the Meritorious Service Medal among multiple awards.

Mike currently serves as the Chair of the Hernando County Planning and Zoning Commission and is the former Vice Chair of the Hernando County Waterways Advisory Committee. He is a member of the Citizens Emergency Response Team, the Hernando Beach Property Owners Association, and the VFW (Hernando Beach Post). He is a graduate of the Sheriff's Citizens Academy and the Sheriff's Situational Awareness Firearms Education program.

Mike Fulford has been married to Diane for 34 years, and they have two sons; both are currently serving in the US Army.



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## HAPPY FEBRUARY FROM YOUR MEMBERSHIP TEAM!

By: Patty Roberts

I have a question to ask you...Why did you join or renew your membership in HBPOA? Was it to meet new neighbors, to be informed of matters pertaining to rezoning or other issues in the county, to volunteer in our community, or just to socialize after the 2020 lockdown? Maybe it was to make a difference in our community by volunteering your time and talents? I joined for all of these reasons and believe that 2022 is going to be a great year for our Hernando Beach Community.

Our team met in January to brainstorm ideas and events to grow our membership and get people involved. I am very pleased to announce that we have 267 total members of which 48 are brand new for 2022. We are excited and ready to get to know our new neighbors. Are you ready to get involved? Do you have great ideas to share? Please feel free to contact me at [PattyatHernandobeach@gmail.com](mailto:PattyatHernandobeach@gmail.com).

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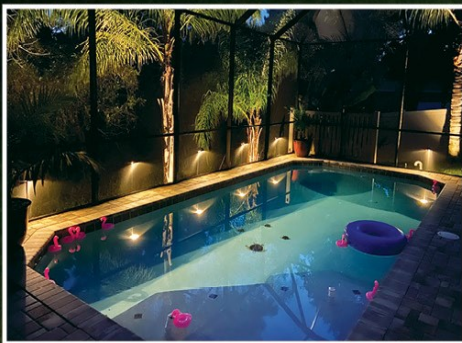
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### HB NEIGHBOR SPOTLIGHT BARB GOSSETT

Hello Hernando Beach neighbors,

My name is Barb Gossett, born in the Chicago suburbs, and I have lived in Hernando Beach with my husband, Joel Silver, since 2013. Initially, we bought a property in Sterling Hills, but when I looked out the windows, I couldn't see a sunrise or a sunset; so we drove to the west side of Rt. 19 and found Hernando Beach. When we looked at our new home, there were dolphins in the backyard. I paused and asked myself, "Where else can I buy a house with dolphin?", and immediately said we'll take it.

After retiring from 38 years in higher education administration (PhD) at seven universities (Northern and Southern Illinois, St. Bonaventure, U of Missouri, Rutgers, Stevens Institute, and New York University) starting out as a secretary, then student activities advisor, leadership development director to the Dean of Students, I am now a yoga teacher. I was fortunate to be able to go to the university fitness centers and have

been active in sports, bicycling tours (Hawaii, Napa Valley, Ireland and New Zealand), and started yoga in my 40's. I'm happy to announce that the Hernando Beach Club has added a Monday, 5:30 p.m. yoga class to their programming this year, and I will be teaching. I currently also teach at the Y in Hernando County and teach chair yoga at an assisted living facility.

I am grateful for the HBPOA Ladies breakfasts and game days where I have met several neighbors that I did not know previously and have lots of fun and laughter. Previously, I volunteered for six years with the Coast Guard Auxiliary since I had never been a boater. In the auxiliary, I was a boating safety instructor and vessel examiner. The auxiliary provides a free service to make sure that you have all the required safety equipment on your boat. Currently, Joel is a vessel examiner.

My husband and I keep busy with our 16 month black lab, Brandy and 6-year-old cat, Silver Blue. We both work on house projects, as we have learned that living on the salt water is high

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maintenance. We have pulled large potted plants out of the canal after a storm and battened down the hatches in preparation for them.

I encourage you to get involved to provide service to the community, to get to know your neighbors, and to have a voice in Hernando County as it continues to grow.

### GAME DAY



Happy 2022!

If you've not yet joined our fun group, Game Day, you may want to give it a good look. We're a group of local ladies who meet every Tuesday from 1-3:00. You don't need to commit to every Tuesday as our group fluctuates weekly. You don't even know how to play the Game of the Day as they'll be plenty of ladies to teach you.

We started with a small circle of 5 friends in September who wanted to get together for Mah

Jongg and ballooned into a group of 2 dozen friends who meet together for whatever game the hostess wants to play.

If you have any interest in having a wonderful afternoon, meeting fabulous women and making lasting friendships Game Day could be a good fit for you.

Send me an email at [jdpuls@yahoo.com](mailto:jdpuls@yahoo.com) and we can chat about it.

Hope to hear from you!  
Joan Puls

### THANK YOU!

A special thanks to Joe Wachs and his HB volunteers who helped him get the Christmas Lights ready to be installed.

We also send a special thanks out to our Withlacoochee River Electric Staff, Jason Turner & John Haynes, linemen, and Brian Carr, supervisor, who installed our Christmas Lights in November and took them down in January.

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## HERNANDO COUNTY

By: Mike Fulford

An Update on the future of our Hernando County. The Hernando County Business Alliance (HCBA) met on 1/6/22 and received the following information from our County Administrator. The HCBA is composed of the Chamber of Commerce, Builders Association, Board of Realtors, Hernando Progress and the Manufacturers Association. Bottom line is, have no doubt Hernando County is growing and the only event in my personal opinion that will stop that growth is a change in the economy, which could possibly occur? Currently Hernando County is the third fastest growing county in the state, and the state is the 16 largest economy in the world. The challenge will be to maintain our quality of life and charm as others have discovered Hernando County. We have people moving in from the Northern states and those that are moving up from South Florida. About 1000 are crossing the state line daily.

1. Two new major distribution centers are planned in the vicinity of the current Walmart distribution center on the east side of the county.
2. The current rate for The Hernando County gas tax is “maxed

out”, and we are at the legislated-state maximum. The gas tax pays for road repairs and maintenance, as well as the Waterways and Aquatics budget that maintains our inlets and perimeter canals. Hernando County currently gets about \$9-10M a year to perform that function. Not a lot of money when you consider the amount of roads we have, and what paving costs are these days.

3. Sales Tax. Subject to the Board of County Commissioners approving that this be put on the ballot in November of this year, a .5 cent increase will be added to all sales for a total tax of 7 cents per dollar purchased. If you are looking to purchase a car, maybe now is the time? It is estimated that this will generate about \$13.8 M per year. The intent is to allocate 80% for new roads and 20% for parks and recreation. A survey can be found at the county web site that lists roads and potential projects. Voters have the option to prioritize and make your desires know.
4. If you recall the BOCC instituted a 1mil property tax increase in Sep 19. To date they have rolled back .45 mil and the desire is to further reduce .2 mil for next years budget, starting on 1 Oct 22. Property taxes went up this year due to a 1mil school board tax that 60% of Hernando County voters agreed to last year, and

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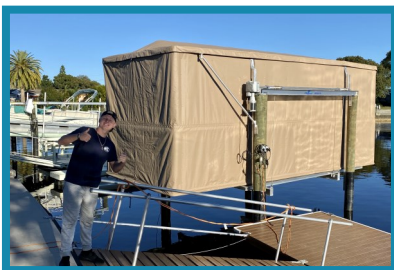


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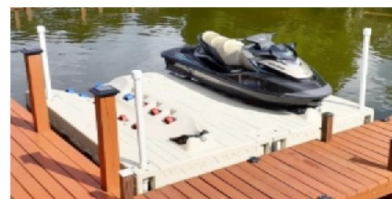
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| Sawfish Sightings (FWC)                            | (941)255-7403        |
| Sea turtle rescue (FWC)                            | (863)648-3200        |
| Reptiles and Exotics Rescue                        | (352)403-4255        |
| Wildlife Rescue – Owl's Nest Sanctuary             | (813)598-5926        |
| Wildlife Rescue HB Area                            | (813)598-5926        |
| Horseshoe Crab Sightings                           | (866)252-9326        |

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an increase in property values due to the real estate market. 5. Impact fees. If you are looking to build, now maybe is the time to get the permit? Impact fees are scheduled to increase somewhere between \$500-\$719 per year for the next four (4) years. The BOCC will take action and schedule public hearings for March of this year. More to follow subject to our BOCC voting the issue. Lots happening in Hernando County these days. Right, wrong or indifferent, we have been discovered. My personal desire is to manage the change to the best of our abilities to benefit Hernando County residents. Infrastructure in the form of Roads, Utilities, and Schools are at the top of the list for our County Administrator and the BOCC.

## **HERNANDO COUNTY PRESS RELEASE**

### **MEDIA RELEASE**

January 6, 2022

### **Hernando County releases public survey on sales tax options**

Hernando County is seeking public input, from its

residents, on the options of a half-cent increase to the local sales tax in the next general election.

The purpose of this short survey is to ask citizens which improvement projects to Hernando County parks and roadways should be prioritized for the future. The Hernando County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) is considering the option of a half-cent increase in the local sales tax from 6.5 to 7 cents in the next general election to create a source other than property taxes to fund these improvements.

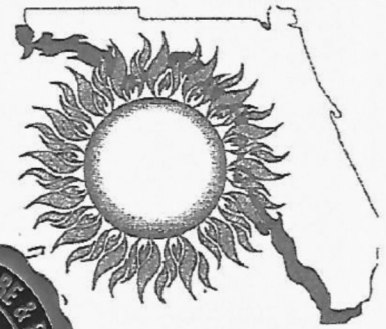
A half-cent sales tax could provide more than \$10 million in funding to be used in needed roadways expansion and parks and recreation improvements throughout the growing county. Sales Sur-taxes also allow for approximately 30 percent of revenue to be generated from tourists and consumers that impact our county and do not pay property tax.

Please visit the Hernando County home page at [www.hernandocounty.us](http://www.hernandocounty.us) to access the survey. This survey should take no more than 5-10 minutes to complete.

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## BLACK BEARS

Did you know?

Since the 1980s, the black bear population has been expanding along with our human population. Florida has grown from 5 million residents in 1960 to 20 million today and is projected to reach almost 36 million by 2060. Urban sprawl is encroaching on traditionally remote areas, bringing people into prime bear habitat. As a result, bears and people are encountering each other more than ever.

The mere presence of a black bear does not represent a problem. In fact, living in black bear

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## WHO TO CALL...

|                                      |               |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|
| CERT                                 | 754-4083      |
| Code Enforcement                     | 754-4056      |
| County Commissioner<br>Wayne Dukes   | 754-4146      |
| HB Crime Watch                       | 592-3304      |
| Fire Dept. (Non-Emergency)           | 515-0924      |
| Hernando Beach Club                  | 596-5878      |
| Hernando Beach Boatlift<br>President | (727)433-3834 |
| Parks & Recreation                   | 754-4027      |
| Port Authority & Waterways           | 754-4060      |
| Public Works                         | 754-4060      |
| Sheriff's Dept. (Non-Emergency)      | 754-6830      |
| Utilities Dept.                      | 754-4037      |
| VFW Post 9236                        | 596-9236      |
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|                         |                                                  | 1   | 2                                         | 3<br>HBPOA<br>Membership<br>Meeting<br>7pm | 4                                                                                 | 5                                                                    |
| 6                       | 7                                                | 8   | 9<br>HB Crime Watch<br>Meeting            | 10<br>Beachcomber<br>Deadline              | 11                                                                                | 12                                                                   |
| 13                      | 14                                               | 15  | 16<br>Waterways Advisory<br>Committee 6pm | 17                                         | 18                                                                                | 19                                                                   |
| 20                      | 21<br>US Coast Guard<br>Auxiliary Meeting<br>7pm | 22  | 23                                        | 24                                         | 25                                                                                | 26                                                                   |
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## About Bears



Here are some quick facts you should know about bears. For more information, see the above links!

- Black bears are the only species of bear found in Florida.
- FWC biologists estimate that there are approximately

4,050 black bears in Florida.

- Adult male black bears usually weigh between 250 to 350 lbs. The largest adult male black bear in Florida weighed 760 lbs. Adult female black bears are smaller than males, usually weighing between 130 and 180 lbs. The largest adult female black bear in Florida weighed 460 lbs.

- Adult male black bears usually live within a 60

square mile area, whereas females usually live within a 15 square mile area.

- Female bears have their first litter at about 3 ½ years old and generally have a litter every other year.
- In Florida, the breeding season runs from June to August and cubs are born around late January or early February.
- Bears are excellent climbers and often climb trees when they are frightened.
- About 80 percent of a black bear's diet comes from plants (e.g., fruits, nuts, berries), 15 percent from insects (e.g., termites, ants, yellow jackets) and 5 percent from meat (e.g., opossums, armadillos, carrion).

## What Do Black Bears Have in Common With All Bears?

Like all members of the bear family, black bears are large, powerful mammals with rounded ears, short tails, 5-toed feet, and large canine teeth.

Black bears walk flat-footed, just like people, with all 5 toes on the ground. While they may look slow because of their shuffling gait, black bears

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can sprint at up to 35 miles an hour! Olympic gold-medalist Usain Bolt can only reach 27 miles per hour. With their stout, heavily-curved claws, black bears climb trees very well. These claws are non-retractable and can be easily seen in their tracks.



### Size, Weight, Diet

"Sizing" up the Black Bear:

Bears are "sexually dimorphic," which means that adult males are larger than adult females. However, because young, smaller males are similar in size to adult females, it is difficult to determine the sex of a bear by their size alone. Many of us recognize that white-tailed deer body

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size is reduced as you travel south in North America. This difference is explained by Bergmann's Rule, which basically states species of larger size are found in colder environments, and species of smaller size are found in warmer regions. Bears as a Family follow this principle – arctic male polar bears generally weigh 779 to 1500 pounds, while male sun bears only weigh 100 to 140 pounds and live in equatorial regions. Black bears as a Species do not follow Bergmann's Rule, Florida black bears on average tend to be larger than Canadian black bears, for example.

Average weights for adult bears in Florida range from 250 to 450 pounds for males and 125 to 250 pounds for females.

### Florida's largest bears:

There have been two male bears that are considered the largest in the state. One was a 740 lb bear and the other was 760 lb bear, both were found in 2015 in Seminole County lingering in neighborhoods after gaining access to unsecured human-provided attractants.

The two largest female bears found in Florida were 460 pounds killed in a vehicle strike in Lake County in 2019 and the other was 400 pounds, found on the side of a road (killed by a vehicle strike) in January 2007 in Liberty County.

Bears that habitually feed on human-supplied foods such as garbage and wildlife feed or pet food can become abnormally large because of the high number of calories found in these food sources.

The weight of individual black bears varies greatly throughout the year.

Food availability is low during the winter months, even in Florida, and both male and female bears lose weight. Bears can lose up to 25% of their body weight while they keep to their den in winter. It is not until plants grow in the spring that bears begin to gain weight again.

During the summer breeding season, males spend most of their time searching for mates, while females spend most of their time foraging.

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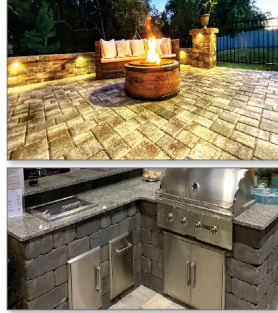
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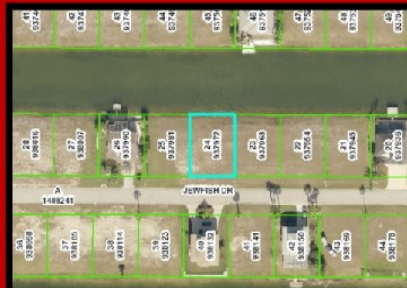
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