



Creciente Newsletter

7150 Estero Blvd., Ft. Myers Beach, FL 33931 (239) 463-9604

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Creciente Owners,

We now have one all new elevator in operation in the North Building. Yesterday the large crane was here to remove the old motor and bring the new motor in for the

second elevator.

The stainless steel skins on the elevator doors & the inside of the elevators will be redone as soon as both elevators are in operation. Both are scheduled to be finished, approximately mid-May.

Season is winding down and owners are returning to their Northern homes, we will miss everyone and look forward to everyone's return in the fall. Have a great Summer.

We are anxious to get started on our many deferred maintenance projects over the summer. We have a great new team of employees that are eager to get started.

Happy Summer to All!

Cheryl Thompson, President

Heading North?

Below are recommended close up procedures from Creciente Condo Association;

- Bring items in from the balcony/lanai during the tropical/hurricane storm season.
- Close and lock all windows, sliding doors and hurricane shutters.
- Close all window coverings.
- Turn off the circuit breaker for or unplug the hot water heater.
- Turn off the water supply to the unit.
- Stove and oven should be clean and all burners OFF.
- Clean out refrigerator of all items that would not keep for an extended period. Place baking soda in refrigerator.
- Turn OFF the ice maker by lifting the ice maker arm. Empty ice bin.
- Remove all perishables from everywhere in the unit to avoid pests.
- Wash and dry dirty dishes.
- Have your AC cleaned & checked, set air conditioning and humidistat according to your manufacturer or HVAC service provider's recommendations. Replace thermostat batteries.
- Discard old newspapers & periodicals and place in recycling bins.
- Empty all trash containers (kitchen & bathroom, etc.) in plastic bags and discard in dumpster.
- Leave all vanity seats in the "up" position. Add Clorox and cover with plastic if desired.
- Review storerooms & closets. Remove combustibles.
- Stop or make arrangements regarding mail and newspapers.
- Unplug computer, TV, stereo equipment, lamps, etc.
- Vacuum or sweep all floors to pick up any food particles to avoid pests.
- Notify Association Office 239-463-9604 before leaving.
- Leave email address to receive bulletins.

Don't forget your Bike!

Before you leave— Please be sure your bike is secured and has Creciente sticker on it.
If you have a bike that you are no longer using or has become needing of repairs, please remove it from the bike rack promptly.

Thank you now for your help & cooperation!



April Access Codes

Please call the office

Vendor codes may change periodically for safety and security reasons.
Please contact the Office if necessary.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Decorating Committee

The Decorating Committee had a workshop on April 15, 2018. It was attended by several Owners in addition to Committee members. The furniture in our mailrooms is over 30 years old and many pieces were bought used. The couch in the South mailroom is a sleeper sofa which is not technically allowed in a commercial space. Your Committee is following replacement budget guidelines but nothing will be ordered until the 2019 Annual Budget is proposed, reviewed and approved.

Tami from Matter Brothers brought the Representative from Seawinds Furniture Co. and the lounge chair/side table the Committee had picked over several other presentations made by various furniture companies. Everyone in attendance found the chair to be comfortable, stylish and it had a variety of commercial grade fabrics to choose from to fit in with the coastal theme. Several other lounge chairs were felt to be too expensive for our target price range.

All meetings are posted and we encourage Owners to please come to a meeting as we continue to explore our options. Design sample boards are in the Social Room. In the next few months, both the East and South Buildings will have their dark purple iridescent walls covered up. Thank you for your support and patience as we continue to update the style and paint of the common areas to maintain our property values.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Luce

Landscape Committee

We are painting the inside of both fountains as part of our yearly maintenance. Hopefully they will be back in operation soon.

Our irrigation pump for the west side of our property had to be replaced. We have been hand watering for ten days. Thanks to Sally Hadden and the many Garden Club Volunteers!

The pump has now been replaced and we are hopeful all of our plants, sod and Zoysia grass at the pool can be saved.

Now that we have our irrigation back, the rest of the new plantings will be planted and new mulch will be placed throughout the entire property.

We need the mulch to keep the moisture in, weeds down, and provide nutrients as it breaks down.

We really need Mother Nature to give us a good rain!

Thank you,
Cheryl Thompson

BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE

The Building & Grounds Committee continues to address several projects and issues as we seek to improve the physical conditions at Creciente.

NORTH BUILDING ELEVATORS

On April 2nd, the first of the new elevators was mechanically completed and put into service. The second elevator will be ready in approximately five weeks. New elevator cab interiors will be remodeled after both are in service. The project should wrap-up in May as originally scheduled.

INSURANCE CLAIMS FROM IRMA

An environmental assessment was conducted by our consultant and determined that the first-floor common areas are free of mold and mildew. Repairs caused by storm damage are beginning now.

GARBAGE

We have adjusted the number and timing of weekly pick-ups to minimize the time receptacles sit outside awaiting service. Trash rooms have been thoroughly cleaned thanks to our devoted band of volunteers!

XFINITY CONTRACT RENEWAL

As we continue to plan for the renewal of our cable contract next year, we are researching alternatives to Xfinity. On April 2nd, a technology team from Century Link was on-site to begin assessing the conversion of our older, antiquated wiring to fiber optic cabling. This type of cable is state-of-the-art technology and could greatly improve the speed and reliability of cable and internet services at Creciente. We are expecting a response and proposal from Century Link in May.

PLUMBING

On March 29th, a combined Building & Grounds and Plumbing Sub-Committee met to consider our goal to find a proactive solution to the ongoing plumbing repairs we face every month.

Preliminary proposals were reviewed for both traditional pipe replacement and pipe lining methods for all three buildings. After comparing the advantages and disadvantages of each process, the combined committees voted to continue to pursue the pipe lining option, as its main advantage is that drywall and wall finishes do not have to be removed and replaced in most locations for pipe treatment.

WHAT IS PIPE LINING?

Pipe lining is a process where an epoxy impregnated liner is placed inside an old cast iron pipe and within hours hardens into a PVC-like plastic pipe. This process has been widely used in Europe for the past 50 years and has been in use in the States for 15 years. Once the new liner pipe is in service, the old cast iron pipe remains but is no longer in use and is not needed to support the new pipe. The liner is installed via the roof and replaces the full nine stories of vertical pipes. The horizontal pipes servicing homeowners' fixture pipes can also be similarly treated. The biggest advantage for this process is that walls, cabinets, mirrors and other finishes do not have to be removed to access the pipes.

A presentation and question and answer session for this method was made at the March 20th Board meeting by Mike Douglass Plumbing of Englewood, Florida. As the committee continues to research this alternative, further updates will be provided in the Newsletter.

Respectfully submitted,
Rich Preves

Document Committee

The Document Committee has updated the Rules & Regulations, and they were approved at the last Board meeting. Some of the changes become effective on 7/1/18 and those owners who rent their units should review these changes. These changes will also effect the forms that have been used in the past, as the new forms will be the only ones accepted after July 1.

Please note as well that these forms must be sent to office 15 days prior to arrival. The new Rules and Regulations are on our website. If you would like a copy—please call the office.

A copy of the new forms are below;



CRECIENTE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC.

7150 Estero Blvd. • Ft. Myers Beach, FL 33931 • (239)-463-9604 • Fax (239)-463-4071

Website: www.Creciente.com

E-Mail: Crecienteoffice@comcast.net

OVERNIGHT GUEST REGISTRATION FORM – IN OWNERS ABSENCE

Unit Owner: _____ Unit # _____

Arrival Date: _____ Departure Date: _____

Print full names of all persons occupying unit. Please indicate if an adult or child. Only registered guests may occupy this unit.

Adult/Child _____ Adult/Child _____

Adult/Child _____ Adult/Child _____

Adult/Child _____ Adult/Child _____

Make and Model of Vehicle: _____ Color: _____

License Tag # _____ Year: _____ State: _____

Home Address: _____

Guest Cell Phone: (_____) _____ (Required in case emergency contact is required while here)

In Case of Emergency During your Stay Personal Contact Name: _____

Emergency Phone: (_____) _____

Does anyone require assistance descending the stairs in the event of an emergency: Yes _____ No _____

Please Note:

- All vehicles must exhibit a parking sticker or guest parking pass while on Creciente Property
- No watercraft or travel homes allowed on Creciente property
- It is understood that only the above-named persons will occupy the unit
- Owners - please submit this form at least 15 days prior to guest(s)/tenants(s) arrival date
- Guest acknowledges having read and understand the Rules and Regulation's of the Creciente Condominium and agrees to abide by them.

Guests Signature

Date

Owner's or Agent's Signature

Date



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RENTER/LEASE APPLICATION FORM THIS FORM DUE 15 DAYS PRIOR TO ARRIVAL

Unit Owner: _____ Unit # _____

Arrival Date: _____ Departure Date: _____

Print full names of all persons occupying unit. Please indicate if an adult or child. Only registered Renters/Lessees may occupy this unit.

Adult/Child _____ Adult/Child _____

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Make and Model of Vehicle: _____ Color: _____

License Tag # _____ Year: _____ State: _____

Home Address: _____

Renter/Lessee Cell Phone: (_____) _____ (Required in case emergency contact is required while here)

In Case of Emergency During your Stay Personal Contact Name: _____

Emergency Phone: (_____) _____

Does anyone require assistance descending the stairs in the event of an emergency: Yes _____ No _____

Please Note:

- Renter/Lessee requirement: 30 days or more. If annual lease, must be renewed annually.
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- It is understood that only the above-named persons will occupy the unit
- Owners - please submit this form at least 15 days prior to Renter/Lessee arrival date
- Renter/Lessee acknowledges having read and understand the Rules and Regulation's of the Creciente Condominium and agrees to abide by them.

Renter / Lessee Signature

Date

Owner's or Agent's Signature

Date

\$100.00 PER RENTAL/LEASE APPLICATION FEE DUE 15 DAYS PRIOR TO ARRIVAL

Date Received: _____

3.5.18

Effective Date : 7.1.2018

The Social Committee has purchased twelve new padded chairs for the Social Room in March.



Residents which attend board meetings, parties and other events will be more comfortable now.

Spring Projects at Creciente



New Paint in East Lobby



Fountain Repairs



New BBQ Grills



North Elevator Repairs



March Deck Party



Creciente Events

Sunday

Canasta 1:30pm -3:30pm
January—April
\$1.00

Monday

Morning Bridge 9am
November-April
\$2.00
Sign up required—please call Maraby 236-463-3813

Book Club 7pm
Second Mondays Only

Tuesday

Euchre 7pm-9pm
\$2.00

Wednesday

Bingo 7pm
November –April
\$2.00 per card / Must be 18 years old

Thursday

Evening Bridge 7pm
November –April
\$2.00
Sign up required—please call Maraby 236-463-3813

Daily

Pool Aerobics 11am at the Pool
Monday thru Saturday

All activities are held in the South Building Social Room unless otherwise noted.



Did you know???

By Kathy Luce

What happens to the information at all the meetings needed to run and maintain your Association?

The minutes are written, usually by a volunteer owner, proofed by the Committee Chair then passed to Lauren, our Administrative Assistant, she then forwards to fellow Owner, Jane Martin.

Jane has been volunteering to maintain and post minutes onto our website.

Thank you to everyone who makes this possible!

To keep informed and to view archived Committee Minutes, please visit;

Creciente.com



Creciente Pet Owners

Please be sure the office has the latest copy of your pet's vaccination/rabies shot to update your new or current pet registration.

We are legally required to have a copy of this on site in order for your pet to be on the property.

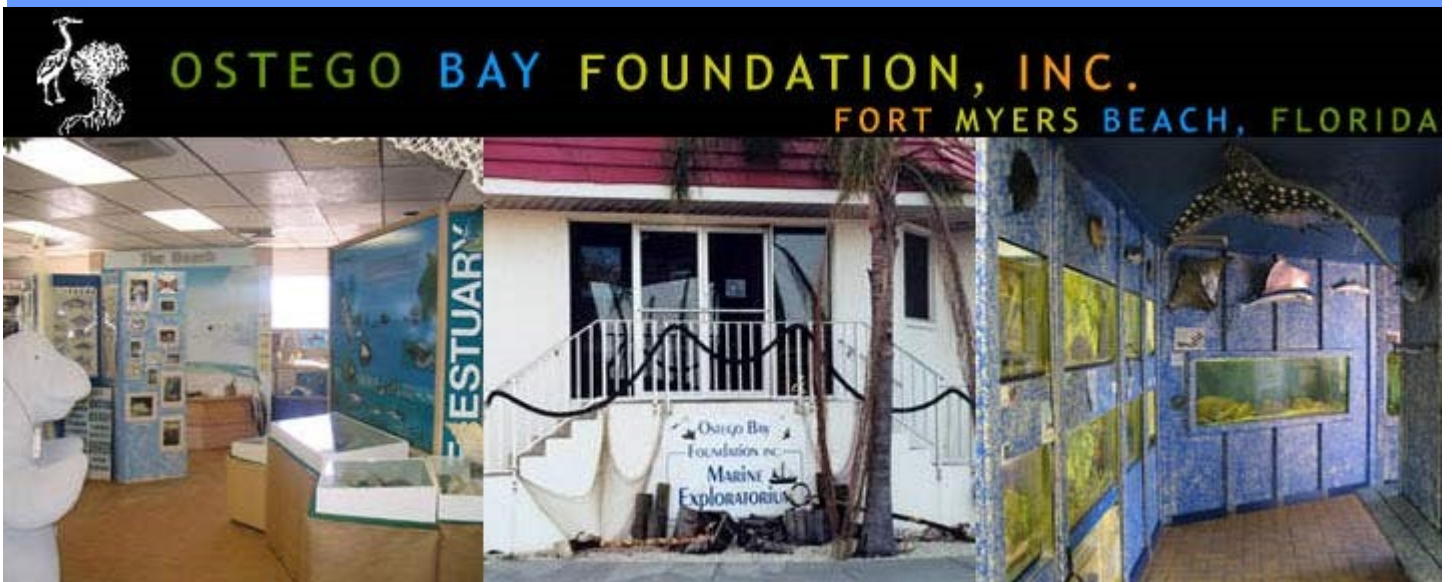
The form can be found on our website.

Mail or email a copy to the office at ;

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Did you know...

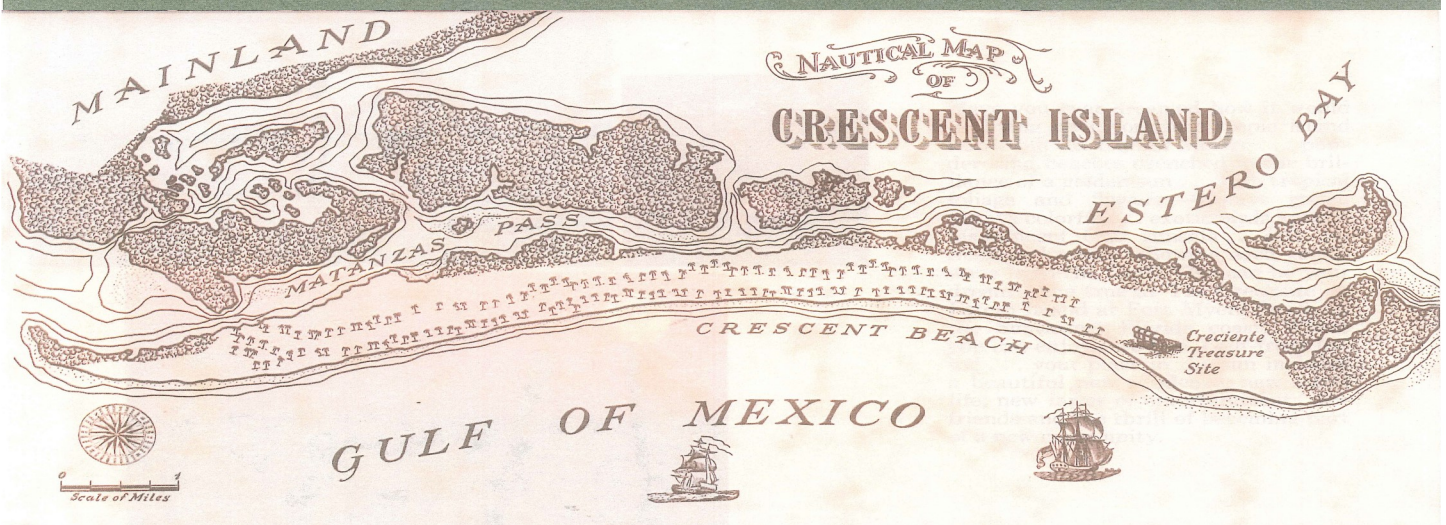
The Ostego Bay Foundation
hosts
Tours of the
Fort Myers Beach Shrimp Fleet
as well as the
Marine Science Center?
Call 239-765-8101
Ostego Bay Foundation, Inc.





A look back in time...

THE
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ISLAND CONDOMINIUM CLUB



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At The Creciente, the accent is on preserving and enjoying the natural beauty of the land . . . buildings are designed and placed to insure privacy and provide unobstructed views of the Gulf . . . underground covered parking hides automobiles from sight . . . meticulously manicured lawns, gardens and parks dot the area . . . delightfully landscaped walks inter-connect the buildings, pool and recreation areas.

Best of all . . . the association with interesting and stimulating neighbors of similar tastes and backgrounds . . . new and lasting friendships are made easily in this congenial atmosphere of natural beauty and care-free living. You can be part of it!