

"THE LAKES"

Valencia Lakes at Orangetree

MAY 2017

VALENCIA LAKES CONTACT INFORMATION

(UPDATED AS OF October 31st , 2016)

PROPERTY MANAGER: SIMON COULLS : 239.561.1444

WHEN CONTACTING MR. COULLS, PLEASE LEAVE YOUR NAME, ADDRESS,
PHONE OR CONTACT NUMBER, AND COMMUNITY NAME

BOARD OF DIRECTORS CONTACT E-MAIL

Paul Unsworth, Board President: boardpresident@valencialakesorangetree.org

Linda Myer, Board Vice President: lindavpvl@gmail.com

Kathy Mankowsky, Board Treasurer: treasurer@valencialakesorangetree.org

HOA Office Assistant: Annette Major 239.352.9213
Patti Hatfield (SATURDAY ONLY)

ENTRY GATE HOTLINE

HOA OFFICE: 239.352.9213 (LEAVE A MESSAGE IF NO-ONE ANSWERS)
VISION MANAGEMENT 239.561.1444 (LEAVE A MESSAGE IF NO-ONE ANSWERS)

E-MAIL: valencialakes@visiongolfmanagement.com FAX: 239-352-0921

HOURS OF OPERATION

OFFICE: MONDAY, WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY	10AM - 2 PM
TUESDAY	2PM - 7 PM
SATURDAY	9AM - 2PM
THURSDAY, SUNDAY & HOLIDAYS	CLOSED

CYM	4AM - 10PM
RECREATION ROOM	9AM - 10PM
SWIMMING POOL & TENNIS COURT	8AM- TO DUSK

PLEASE NOTE THE POOL IS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE FOR REPAIR

SEEit? SAYit!
make the call

EMERGENCY 911 NON emergency 252-9300



Collier County Sheriff's Office
Sheriff Kevin J. Rambosk
www.colliersheriff.org

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING:
WEDNESDAY , MAY 24th @ 7PM**

Cover Photo: Jacqueline Forbes

Parents & Guardians

Do not drop your underage children off at the Clubhouse for their entertainment. The rules state all children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian to use the amenities or the Clubhouse.

Clubhouse staff are not there to watch or supervise your children. Unaccompanied children will be asked to leave and if the problem persists you may lose your access to the amenities.

NUISANCE & VANDALISM

If you experience vandalism or you have a nuisance issue such as excessive noise by a neighbor, notify the CCSO (Collier County Sheriff's Office) at 252-9300, the non-emergency number. **DO NOT CALL 911 UNLESS IT IS A TRUE EMERGENCY.** Once reported to CCSO, notify the HOA office where your information will be forwarded to Vision for a Nuisance Violation Letter. Upon the third visit to a residence for a complaint, CCSO will issue the occupants a ticket. The HOA is not a law enforcement agency.

COLLIER COUNTY WATER RESTRICTIONS FOR IRRIGATION

Phase I Water Restrictions - Effective April 28, 2015

On April 28, 2015, the Collier County Board of County Commissioners adopted Ordinance 2015-27 that provides for Phase I Water Restrictions to be the standard for landscape irrigation in the county. Landscape irrigation rules are as follows.

No irrigating on Fridays

ODD Numbered Addresses – Irrigation is limited to three days a week, Monday, Wednesday and Saturday; irrigation is prohibited between 10:00 AM and 4:00 PM.

EVEN Numbered Addresses– Irrigation is limited to three days a week Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday; irrigation is prohibited between 10:00 AM and 4:00 PM.

For more information refer to:

www.colliercounty.net/your-government

DO NOT CUT THE LITTORALS PLANTED ALONG THE LAKE BANK !!!

Homeowners, please talk to your landscaper and let them know not to cut, weed whack or remove the littorals planted along the lake bank. The plantings are part of the lake bank erosion project.

Since this is a lake bank mitigation issue, the homeowner will be held responsible for the cost of replacement of any littorals being removed.

PARKING ENFORCEMENT

The CCSO patrols in Valencia Lakes are issuing parking tickets to any vehicle parked blocking a sidewalk or illegally parked! If you're parking on the grass between the sidewalk and the road, you are parked on community property and subject to fines AND TOWING!!!

*No Overnight parking in clubhouse parking lot without a permit (obtained through the HOA office) **Violators may be subject to having their vehicle TOWED!***

**WORDS
FROM PAUL UNSWORTH
BOARD PRESIDENT**

**EDITORS WORDS
Annette & Jack Major**

Well, it sure didn't seem like we had much of a spring. Record temperatures in April and one of the driest springs on record.

Please be aware of the high fire danger. Just because we live in a gated community doesn't mean that we have to be any less vigilant. Collier County has instituted a burn ban for all of Collier County, including the unincorporated areas. Per the county, the "ban prohibits open burning, which is any outdoor fire or open combustion of material that produces visible emissions". "Outdoor grills, stoves, cookers and smokers may be used in the preparation of food if the cooking fire is controlled and attended to. All outdoor cooking area shall be free of burnable materials within an area having a circumference of 3 feet beyond the nearest edge of the fire". One flying ember into the woods near us could be disastrous.

In addition to the burn ban, Collier County has year-round landscape irrigation restrictions. These restrictions apply to all houses, regardless of the source of irrigation (lake, well, public utility). To summarize the restrictions, watering is prohibited between the hours of 10:00am and 4:00pm, even numbered addresses may irrigate on Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday, and odd numbered addresses on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday. Our lakes and corresponding water table are low, please abide by the rules put in place by the county.

Unfortunately, the pool had to be closed. The pool surface is degrading faster than it should and the pool needs to be resurfaced. The existing finish is falling off causing problems with the circulation system. If we do not resurface the pool, it will clog the pool's filtration system and possibly cause the failure of the pool's pumps. Resurfacing the pool is a big project. We are getting bids and will start repairs once a vendor is selected. With any luck, the pool will be reopened in time for Memorial Day weekend.

I have no updates on the lake banks. The matter has been turned over to the association's attorney. The Board will provide more information when it becomes available.

Please be mindful of the community's rules and regulations. Parking on the grass has become a real problem recently. It is not allowed and can result in a fine and/or towing of the vehicle. The Board has implemented a fining policy for ongoing violations and has upheld fines at recent Board meetings. Please make sure your property is maintained (pressure washing, painting, vehicles, weeding, etc.). Nobody likes issuing a violation or recommending a fine but it has become necessary to enforce the community's rules and regulations.

As always, we are always looking for help on committees. If you are interested, leave your contact information with the office and someone will get back to you as soon as they can.

Respectfully,

Paul Unsworth

President

Valencia Lakes at Orangetree Homeowners Association, Inc.

Gators...are in the lakes. Maybe you've seen them. Please...when your children are out in the yard playing, or your pets are running loose in your yard...be aware of the Gator Danger. See the red box below for more words on Gators.

If you haven't figured it out yet, we are in a severe drought.

Please....Please...adhere to Collier County watering hours and days. Our lakes are extremely low and the rainy season is still a couple of weeks away (hopefully). To help in this matter Collier County Code Enforcement has been patrolling various communities, including Valencia Lakes, looking for violators and issuing fines...and the fines are not cheap. So if you won't do it for water conservation reasons, do it for your finances. Refer to the published guidelines on page 2.

Construction has begun on the Race Trac gas station plaza next to Cameron Commons. No information yet on an opening date...let's just hope it doesn't take as long as Publix.....I heard a rumor...just a rumor that a Culver's restaurant may be going in by the Race Trac. I'll pass along the updates as I confirm them.

While we consider Valencia Lakes to be relatively crime free, crime does happen in our 'hood. A look at the crime map on the CCSO (Collier County Sheriff Office) website, shows we're not a crime free area. Lock up your home and if left in the driveway, your vehicles. Don't assume it "can't happen to us". Keep an eye on your surroundings, your neighbor, your street for suspicious behavior. If something doesn't look quite right, it probably isn't. Do not hesitate to call CCSO and report it. Better to be safe...than sorry.

We are in the process of getting an e-mail address for the newsletter so you can send in your words and ideas direct to us. Hopefully, we'll have for the June edition.

Until next month...the pleasure of your acquaintance is all ours. Your input to this newsletter is always valued and appreciated.

-Annette & Jack

WARNING

DO NOT LET YOUR PETS OR CHILDREN PLAY NEAR THE LAKES. If an alligator becomes a nuisance, YOU...the resident must call the Florida Fish and Wildlife at 866-FWC-GATOR / 866-392-4286. They will ask YOU questions about size and nuisance issues.

<http://myfwc.com/wildlifehabitats/managed/alligator/nuisance/>

Your Valencia Lakes Rules and Regulations (July 2016) at work:

page 11 & 12

"...ignorance of the law is no excuse for breaking it..." Oliver Wendell Holmes

Section X. LANDSCAPING

A. Trees and plants on private property and or front easement must be kept trimmed to avoid obstructing vehicles and pedestrians on streets and sidewalks. Trees that extend over roads must provide at least 14 feet vertical clearance per county ordinance.

B. Trees and plants that are infected with contagious diseases must be promptly removed by the homeowner, and do not require ARC (Architectural Review Committee) approval for removal, although an ARC form must be submitted for ARC followup. The Association may remove a diseased tree or plant at the expense of the homeowner. However, ARC approval is required for any tree or plant removal or replacement for landscaping purposes.

C. Homeowners are responsible to maintain their property to be in a clean and sanitary manner. Driveways, flowerbeds and walkways shall be free of weeds and edged.

D. Any removal of trees for landscaping purposes without prior Association written permission may require the homeowner to replace said tree with the same type, size and quality as that previously existed, at homeowners expense.

E. Landscaping near fire hydrants, mailboxes and signs must not damage or obscure them or interfere with their function. Mailbox plantings must not be higher than the supporting scrollwork, nor be supported by the mailbox or post. Nothing may be attached to the mailbox or post.

F. All trees must be trimmed to remove dead branches and fronds annually in preparation for hurricane season.

G. In the event grass on a lot exceeds (6) inches in height, the Association may, but shall not be required to cut such grass, in which event such owner shall be obligated to pay the association, as an assessment, the actual cost for such grass cutting plus Twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) as a service fee.

HAPPENINGS

BINGO NIGHT

AT THE WATERWAYS COMMUNITY CLUBHOUSE

Wednesday, MAY 17th

Doors open at 5:30PM, selling begins at 6 and games start at 7

YOU MUST RSVP TO EITHER

SONDRA GREER 239.353.4468 / SONDANC1016@COMCAST.NET FOR A GATE CODE

OR

NATALIE MANDARANO 239.494.4523 / NATALIE527@COMCAST.NET FOR A GATE CODE

PRICES

ENTRY + 1 STRIP = \$8.00

ENTRY + 2 STRIPS = \$14.00

ENTRY + 3 STRIPS = \$20.00

50/50 = \$1.00

PLEASE....PLEASE....PLEASE...NO CARD SHARING

NO ONE UNDER THE AGE OF 18 ADMITTED

CONCESSIONS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE:HOT DOGS, DRINKS SNACKS

WON'T YOU PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF BINGO FUN AND EXCITEMENT

what's for dinner?

"a good place to eat"

space reserved for your restaurant recommendation



DON MCLEAN
MAY 20, 2017



Special ENGAGEMENT

SAN JAN THEATER

Southwest Florida performing Arts center

May 20, 2017
Hours: 8:00 PM
11515 Bonita Beach Rd. S.E., Bonita Springs, FL 34135
Admission: \$52.72-\$77.25



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NAPLES RESTAURANT WEEK

Naples Restaurant Week (NRW) is a semiannual promotion that celebrates the BEST dining at an affordable price. The Summer Edition is June 1st thru 14th. The goal of NRW is to encourage increased dining out at locally owned establishments and to celebrate the array of cuisine available here in Southwest Florida.

Winner of the "Paradise Coast Tourism, Innovation Star" and with 29,000+ covers sold to date, restaurant week will be the biggest it's ever been!

Be a part of a prestigious community event and enjoy all the great food Naples has to offer.

#NaplesRestaurantWeek #DineWithPurpose #SWFLFirstBite #NRWforHSN

*Fort Myers Restaurant Week is also June 1-14th

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