



# Board Talk...

*A Hearthstone at Hillsborough Publication*



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**IMPORTANT DATES –View of the Year**

**Mark your Calendars**

Mar. 17 St. Patrick's Day  
 Mar. 18 Bingo -Sunday 2-4 PM \$3.00 cost  
 April: ? Michael Jones...the tenor

**Fresh Look for The Web Site**  
[Check Hearthstone Web Site for Details: www.hearthstoneathillsborough.org](http://www.hearthstoneathillsborough.org)

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## Building and Grounds

### Let it Snow ...Let it Snow...Let it Snow

A&B Landscaping, our new contractor for snow and landscaping has been busy recently. It will take them a few times to sort out the issues, but for the most part, everyone seems to be pleased. At the moment we are in the middle of major snow storm and A&B is out cleaning the snow for our community.

We appreciate your cooperation with removing your cars from the road as it makes for a quicker and cleaner job. Please continue to follow Nancy's instructions. She

cares about this community and your well-being.

Speaking of well-being, be sure to check on your neighbor or their property, if away, during these storms.

### Tree damage, fallen trees, etc...

The major wind storms have taken a toll on trees and plants in the area. Joyce is working hard to bring resolution to these issues and works with our tree company, M&A Tree Service, to evaluation and remove or repair the tree. Be patient as it does take time and some things cannot be resolved until spring.

### ADOPT A TREE or PLANT Program.

Joyce has suggested the the community can help with the landscaping activity through a program of adopting a tree or bush in the common area to water and maintain. We are all responsible for our landscape on our property, and we have asked everyone to water the nearby plants in the common areas. By adopting the plant we can be assured of special care and watering being done to preserve the plant. Call Nancy or Joyce and sign up for "ADOPT a Plant" program or sign up on the list in the Club House.

We continue to identify areas in need and work on planned Activity for 2018. The Board has a working list that we will work on during the year. Joyce will keep all of us posted.

## Guest Parking

We ask that you make sure your guests do not park in places that are "NO PARKING ZONES". They will be towed. Boyd Street is an area of concern. Please call Nancy and let her know that you will need to use the clubhouse parking for your guests. She needs to make sure there is nothing going on at the clubhouse first. It is imperative that you make sure your guests are parking only where allowed. The Board appreciates the show of cooperation.





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## Be Sure to Fill Out a Modification Request

If you plan to have a deck or patio, sprinkler or change to your surroundings on your property, you **MUST** fill out a modification request and submit it with support to Nancy. She will forward to the ARC committee. Failure to do so may cost you money in undoing a project that was not done within the rules

## ARC COMMITTEE

CHAIR: RICH SCHAEFER  
JIM VONDERHORST  
WALTER VESTEA  
TOM CAVAGNARO

BOARD LIAISON: BOB FRANCOLINI

## IMPORTANT Pet Care (Winter)

*Pets - Please Use the Pet Area*

When walking your pet, please be considerate of the community and your neighbors. **USE THE PET AREAS.** We have three of them. Do the right thing and respect the community and your neighbor's property. During routine reviews of the grounds, it has been noticed that several home owners allow their pets to poop in the yards and then leave it there.



**THIS IS NOT ALLOWED.** Due to health laws and the protection of your neighbors, you must pick up after your pets, even if it is your own yard. Home owners that continue to abuse this rule will receive warnings and possible fines. This is a significant issue that must be addressed. The Board and the Community appreciate your cooperation.



## CONDO CORNER

The Board Members are:

Howie Freeman – President    Kathy Perl - Vice Pres.  
Rob Kenific – Treasurer    Thelma Emory - Secretary  
Bill Merritt – Trustee

Please contact the Condo Board should you have any issues concerning the Condo properties. They will know how to handle the issue and where to go for assistance.

## Social Activity Committees

Committees	Contact
Social Activity	Deb Francolini & Thelma Emory
Trips & Travel	Vacant (Interested Party Inquire)
Knitting	Fran Cavagnaro (908) 359-5282 Ilona O'Sullivan (908) 428-6328
Book Club	Joan Ebersbach (908) 428-4857
Mah Jongg	Vacant
Bridge	Bill Merritt (201-665-3078)
Men's Group	Mon. & Wed. from 1:30 - 4PM (Pool)
Architectural Review	Rich Schaefer- Chairperson Jim Vonderhorst /Walter Vestea/Tom Cavagnaro
Alternate Dispute	Nancy Capella, Info

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Every Tuesday in the Clubhouse - 7PM to 9PM



- **Knitting** (crochet, needlepoint, etc.) meets in the Clubhouse. We offer to teach those who want to learn how to knit or crochet. (Call Ilona (908)359-5282 or Fran (908)428-6328).
- **Bridge** meets in the Card Room (Call Bill Merritt)

**First Thursday of the month at the clubhouse 7PM to 9PM**

**Book Club** Meets - The purpose of the club is to enlighten our members and get them out of their comfort Zone" with their "normal" type of book they read. You'd be surprised how many other types of books you may like. Join us for stimulating discussion about a new book every month. The group, led by Joan Ebersbach, discusses the book we've read during the last month and chooses a new book for the following month.

## Stay Up to Date with the Community

Please visit the Hearthstone web site for additional activity information and details on programs:  
<http://www.hearthstoneathillsborough.org/activities.html>  
[www.hearthstoneathillsborough.org](http://www.hearthstoneathillsborough.org)



## Pool Players Wanted!!!!

No experience necessary



Monday and Wednesday  
from 1p.m. to 4p.m. at  
Clubhouse

## Snow Season Reminder



As we prepare for the winter season (and yes, it will come) ...Nancy has issued the snow removal procedures. Please read them carefully as we **must get all cars off the street** for snow removal. You can use your garage, driveway or the clubhouse. We have a new snow removal team. Please let them do their job. They have been directed not to honor resident request for snow removal. It slows down the operation and delays completion of snow removal project. Give them some time to get familiar with our community. Thanks for your cooperation.

**To Our Residents:** This is a monthly publication from the Board to strengthen communications with its residents. The mission of the Board is to serve its residents wisely and positively. We hope this will be well received by all of you and look forward to any comments you may have. Please send them to Ron Newsom, Board President at [RRnewsom@comcast.net](mailto:RRnewsom@comcast.net)

## From the Board:

## Happy St. Patrick Day

