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A GREAT PLACE TO LIVE

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*Happy
New Year*



President's Corner

Joseph Cuccio



January 2019 and a Happy Healthy New Year to all. I trust everyone had a great Holiday Season and is looking forward to a new year. I would like to take a moment to remember those who are no longer with us both family and friends.

The Board has accomplished many things in 2018 and we look forward to a productive 2019. We do have an election coming up and I encourage anyone, who has the time and willingness to serve, submit your resume to the office. If no one responds the Board will have to suspend the term limits once again to allow the current Board to continue on.

The annual Christmas Party was a great success with plenty of Toys and Food donated to help the less fortunate in our community. This Party is a direct result of Jim Perretto doing all of

the preparations and setting up with the help of 3 or 4 volunteers. We also raised \$200.00, which was donated, to the Special Olympics of Hernando County. The entertainment was outstanding with Stan Princeton singing many favorites and honoring requests. The turn out this year was much improved with over 70 people in attendance and a great time was had by all, so mark your calendars for next year, actually this year since this will be out in 2019.

I am sure many of you have noticed the new mulch on St Andrews and Heather Boulevards as well as the new Flag light at our entrance. The Gatehouse also has a new look with the addition of some beautiful stonework by Weeki Wachee Stoneryard. The clubhouse parking lot has been resealed and restriped giving it a fresh look and pro-

tecting the blacktop underneath. The Palms have been trimmed as well and many dead plants and trees have been removed. Many of these projects are the results of the Director in charge doing their job above and beyond. It takes many hours of work to get the estimates and select a contractor to perform the work.

In closing I want to thank my fellow Board Members for their support through out the year in allowing me to do the job in a non-confrontational manner. I would not continue on unless I had the full support of the Board Members and that does not mean we agree on everything. The ability to negotiate in a supportive way is what makes for a successful outcome. Once again this is your community so get involved.

"As a result of the generosity of those who attended the Heather Property Owners Association Annual Christmas Party on December 1, 2018, a \$200 donation was made to the Special Olympics Florida, Hernando County.

The Directory of Special Olympics, along with two other guests received the check with much appreciation."



Pictured are (l to r) Joe Cuccio, President HPOA Board of Directors; Judy Howard, Special Olympics; Kyle Horner, Athlete/Special Olympics; Sherry Horner, Director, Hernando Special Olympics; Jim Perretto, 3rd VP, HPOA Board of Directors



By Barbara Dohm

Here we are in another year Happy New Year 2019. Do hope you all have a Healthy year and a Happy one also.

Let me say I went to two very nice Christmas Parties in Dec. Heather had a great one, but with loud music. However, we can fix that I believe.

It was one of the best we have had since we asked for donations for children and the needy.

Thanks to all who attended from all over.

The second one was with Heather Walk; it was our first one in the new clubhouse.

Everything we ate was cooked by Tammy Wierzbicki. Thank you to the few who donated dessert.

Peter and Nancy did the decorations inside and out.

It was a great way to end 2018.

Let's look forward to a Great new 2019 and God Bless America.

The Heather News DEADLINE

Please submit your typewritten articles by 11:30am January 10th, to e-mail address **bdohm@tampabay.rr.com**

We will not accept contributions after the deadline

ALL ARTICLES MUST BE SIGNED

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Important Notice

Heather Property Owners Association
has a new email address!

Please use this email for
all future correspondence.

Thank you!

heatherpoa11@yahoo.com



Let's Play BINGO!



Are you a resident of the Heather Community and like to play BINGO?

The new BINGO ladies have made many positive changes to "BINGO Wednesdays" and would like to invite all Heather BINGO players to join them every Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. at the Heather Community Center.

Bring a friend, meet new friends, and have fun!



Just a reminder...

The Heather Property Owners Association dues of \$22 per month are due on the first of each month. HOWEVER, many homeowners are choosing to pay by the year as it is easier to remember to pay once every January. It's not too late to opt-in and get on an annual payment schedule. The annual payment is \$264 (\$22 X 12 months).

If you have any questions on what your current balance is and/or how much payment to make to get on the annual schedule, please contact Vickie at the HPOA office at 352-596-5028.

Don't forget that we do not send statements or monthly reminders. It is up to the homeowner to make sure the account is kept current. Mail checks to Heather Property Owners Association, 9100 Nakoma Way, Weeki Wachee, FL 34613

H. P. O. A. Board of Director's Meeting
December 17, 2018

Provisional Minutes until approved on January 21, 2019

Meeting came to order at 7:00 PM.

Board members present: Joe Cuccio, President; Tom Taylor, 1st Vice President/Treasurer; Larry Ball, 2nd Vice President; Jim Perretto, 3rd Vice President; (Barbara Dohm, excused absence)

Joe asked the Board for a motion to approve the minutes of the November 19, 2018 Board meeting; Larry made the motion and Joe 2nd the motion; vote 3-0 in favor. (J. Perretto not present for vote)

President/Administration Report:

- AT&T will be starting to do work in the community to add fiber optic cable. Everyone must note that this is an AT&T project and has absolutely nothing to do with HPOA. We are not responsible for AT&T's work. They are County roads and easements and it is an AT&T project. If you have any complaints or questions, they must be referred to AT&T at 352-468-1990. Please do not call the HPOA office as we do not have information about this project.
- Joe mentioned that if you want current or back issues of the newsletter, they are available online (heatherpoa.com) and in the Community Center.
- Joe made a motion to suspend Article III, Board of Directors, Section 2, Terms of Directors to wit: (no Director may be eligible to serve more than two (2) consecutive full terms.) Note: This suspension will allow current Directors to fill open seats where no one else is running. Tom 2nd the motion; Vote 3-0 in favor (J. Perretto not present for vote)
- Due to the Worker's Comp insurance company misunderstanding our process for hiring Deputies, we had received a letter from them cancelling our coverage. After speaking to them about this, they re-instated our coverage and sent a letter of apology. In the meantime, the Office had researched other companies and found one that is approximately \$350 less per year. A letter will be sent to them cancelling the policy. We have already secured coverage with the new company.
- If anyone has questions regarding the property that is for sale near the Community Center and the Greens, please call the realtor's number that is on the for-sale sign. We do not have information about the property other than the fact that it is for sale. Anything beyond that is either speculation and/or rumor.

Treasurer's Report:

- Tom noted that HPOA received a rebate for \$1,554 from Withlacoochee River Electric.
- All financials are in order and everything is in the black. All looks good.
- The late list is at approximately \$8K and a few that were in collection status have been paid.

A & D:

- Tom noted that there were two complaints at the present time.

Security:

- Larry continued the discussion from last month about the new owner of the golf course not helping defray costs of having the deputies patrol the neighborhood. A letter was sent since the last Board meeting and we have not received any response back. Therefore, Larry made a motion to stop providing security to the golf course and strip mall, since the new owner refuses to contribute to the cost of security. Jim 2nd the motion. Vote 4-0 in favor. The Sheriff's Office will be sent a letter notifying them of this change and all deputies who patrol The Heather will be given a copy.
- Larry made a motion to hire a new person in the gate house to replace one that quit. The new person will be hired at minimum wage. Jim 2nd the motion. Vote 4-0 in favor.

RV Compound:

- The RV Compound is full.

Grounds:

- Joe advised that St. Andrews Blvd. has new mulch, the brick work at the gate house has been completed, and two trees have been removed.
- Joe has put up a new POW/MIA flag at the entrance. He also mentioned that someone has been tampering with the flag at the Community Center and has taken it upon themselves to raise it up and/or put it at half-staff. He wants everyone to know that he oversees this and to not touch any of the HPOA flags. They have been raised and lowered by someone inappropriately at the wrong times and the way they are tying up the rope is wrong and damaging. It is not for anyone else to handle, so stop touching it.

Building:

- Jim will be getting estimates on cleaning the chairs and floor in the Community Center.
- A new maintenance/janitorial person will start on January 3, 2019. Jim made a motion to hire this person for 7 hours per week at \$10/hr. After six (6) months, he will be given a raise to \$12/hr. if his work is satisfactory. Tom 2nd the motion. Vote 4-0 in favor.

Events/Activities:

- The events calendar (so far) for 2019 is: The Community Yard sales will be held the first Saturday in March and the first Saturday in November. Next year's Christmas party will be held on Saturday, December 7th.

New/Old Business:

- None

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm. Next meeting will be on Monday, January 21, 2019.

Alert Hernando

Hernando County's Emergency Alert Program

Receive alerts about emergencies and other important community news by signing up for Alert Hernando our Emergency Alert Program. This system enables us to provide you with critical information quickly in a variety of situations, such as severe weather and other important information.

You will receive time-sensitive messages wherever you specify, such as your home, mobile phone or business phones, email address, text messages and more. You pick where, you pick how.

**To sign up for this, go to the Hernando County Government website;
choose Emergency Management & click on Alert Hernando**

Heather Community Center Library

Seeking volunteers to organize the Heather Library.
We have received a wonderful donation of books and
need assistance in organizing.
Call Audrey 352-592-3498



JANUARY 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 HAPPY NEW YEAR!	2 2:00PM BINGO	3 1:00PM Bridge Cards, 6:30PM Pinochle, etc.	4	5
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13 Reserved	14 1:00PM Bunco	15 3:30PM A & D Mtg.	16 2:00PM BINGO	17 1:00PM Bridge Cards, 6:30PM Pinochle, etc.	18	19
20 Reserved	21 1:00PM Bunco 7:00PM HPOA Board Mtg.	22	23 2:00PM BINGO	24 1:00PM Bridge Cards, 6:30PM Pinochle, etc.	25 Reserved	26 Reserved
27 Reserved	28 1:00PM Bunco	29	30 2:00PM BINGO	31 1:00PM Bridge Cards, 6:30PM Pinochle, etc.		

Heather Walk for your Information

By Barbara Dohm

We had a great Dec. 4th annual meeting. I have to say Thee Best as it was a Membership meeting not the Board Meeting.

People said what they wanted to say; some got up and left which was ok, as the vote counting took time to be counted.

As I said this past year was one of the smoothest run years I believe We ever had. And I have been on and off for many.

Our members passed the budget with an increase of \$10.00 We had NO increase in over 14 years and everything need repairs.

Thanks to our Sinkhole settlement, everything is in outstanding condition.

Four ran for three spots.

Our new officers stayed the same.

Pres. Judy Foley
VP. Steven Miller
Treas. Barbara J. Dohm
Sec. Anke Wandel
Director Tammy Wierzbicki

I do hope we can keep it up.

Our New Pool should be done shortly; we had many problems with the old one.

Cooperation at it's best makes everyone Happy.

Thank you all
Barbara

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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- 1. 5280 feet
- 5. Chip dip
- 10. As just mentioned
- 14. Module
- 15. Ellipses
- 16. No
- 17. Operable
- 19. Breaststroke
- 20. Cry of disgust
- 21. Disney mermaid
- 22. A swindle
- 23. Caressed
- 25. Not written exams
- 27. Spelling contest
- 28. Tainting
- 31. Cabs
- 34. Expectorates
- 35. Menagerie
- 36. Incite
- 37. Straddles
- 38. Transmit
- 39. Small rounded bread
- 40. What a bee might do
- 41. Units of medicine
- 42. Furnishing
- 44. Bog
- 45. Primp
- 46. Winter Olympics vehicle
- 50. "Hogwash!"

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CROSSWORD SOLUTION

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