

THE R.O.L.L.

Fall is Here!



Report of Leisure Lake

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THE PRESIDENT'S POINT



I am reporting on the damage from Hurricane Sally, which took a toll on roofs and trees but thankfully no major catastrophes. I was out after the storm checking on people and our assets. There was destruction to the pool house, magnificent trees on the ground, damaged swimming pool and an enormous amount of unrooted vegetation in the common areas. A plan of action was set up, beginning with bringing in an experienced arborist to assess our beautiful trees to try to save them. Work was prioritized by the board and I as Level #1 through #3. Trees beyond saving, debris removal, swimming pool and pool house were Level #1; got estimates and scheduled work. The estimates for Level #1 to date is in the thousands. Thanks to good financial management, some funds are kept earmarked for unexpected expenses, and some money is available from general fund. Shrubs and landscaping are classified as Level #2, but being conservative, money not allocated for any work; depends on the cost of Level #1. The board is deferring Level #3 issues indefinitely such as shaping trees, replacing pine straw, buying and replanting the shrubs and flowers, stump grinding, grooming limbs.



The pool repairs are also Level #1. Pool Wizards, our pool contractor determined it must be drained for repairs, but with the water table so high, the water pressure in the ground could cause the pool to lift, doing more damage and causing the concrete to crack. We will take every precaution possible to protect this asset; keeping it closed until spring, although it is unsightly. The contractor will do repairs when the time is right. If the cost covered by our wind insurance exceeds the deductible, a claim will be filed.

The most rainfall recorded here was 37" from Hurricane Danny, 1997. One can only imagine what another 12" would have done to our neighborhood. Take a breath and be glad to be alive, and still have a home.
President Chuck

The Board members extend a special thank you to President Gentry for his tireless effort, long hours and work on restoring our grounds and helping neighbors after the hurricane. His dedication to Leisure Lake is priceless.

BOARD MEMBERS 2021

No one wants to hire a lawyer or Property Management firm to run this community, we all want to be self-managed with owners making the decisions – and not some outsider telling us what we can do. We are in the last quarter of the year, and making a final lunge for 2021 board members. So come have a chat to see if you are a fit - duties are minimal – attend a monthly meeting and take away something to work on that's suitable for you. For instance, if you are good with your hands, tools, paperwork, leading a team. Nothing more than what you are comfortable giving is expected. As a general member, just getting your feet wet and learning how things are done. Your board is very much against hiring outside our community.

We can do this by working together as a team!

ROBERTS COVE DEV. ON C.R. 12

Foley Planning Commission is considering approval of a new subdivision/apartment development extending west of Fulton Place to the Beach Express. It's unlikely many of us would be in favor of another development, particularly since PrimeLand is under construction on Wolf Bay Drive. The traffic situation and infrastructure for us will be significantly impacted. After first look, the developer was requested to resubmit to add a south entrance to alleviate some of the problems it will create on CR 12. Glen Lakes HOA, and our newly elected district Councilman, Dick Dayton, are working on this as well.

If you have concerns about another subdivision on CR 12, contact Miram Boone, Building Official at 251-952-4011, email mboutwell@cityoffoley.org, and attend the next Planning Commission meeting to voice your opinion.

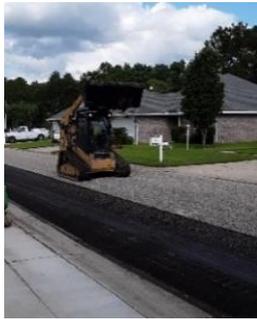
HALLOWEEN 'ROUND THE 'HOOD



As an active retirement community, we're not visited by many goblins for Trick or Treat. However, there are always a few. If you are handing out candy, turn your porch lights on and provide an extra safe and welcoming pathway for the little ones, and ensure your yard light is working and bright as well. Some have been out a while.

PAVING

The long-awaited paving came with a surprise that the city's year end budget allowed Placid and Tranquil to be paved along with LakeSouth. The streets look so good! The city engineer states Respite will be re-assessed for 2021, but did give it a good cleaning.



LET'S MAKE A "HELP LIST"

The many inquiries for help after the storm remind us how unprepared we can be when the unforeseen happens. So, how about we all pitch in and make a list of services recommended by fellow owners for everyone to share – just email llbod@outlook.com – company, person, address and phone of your favorite repair man, landscaper, electrician, plumber, etc. and a list will be created. Let's make it easier to find helping hands!

ACTIVITIES

Are you ready to get back to Bunko or Dominoes? Assistance is needed to get restarted. Call the HelpLine if you would like to play either or both. As water exercise concludes and the weather gets nice, the outdoor games begin...looking pickleball players; if you're interested in playing or learning, call volunteer coordinator Bill King at 769-257-8851. Less strenuous games available are horseshoes and corn hole toss, equipment is in the library. Let's play.



CLUBHOUSE

The new tables and chairs arrived, and the clubhouse is back in full swing. Stop and take a look at the new furniture,

grab a book and enjoy free coffee. If you have misplaced your clubhouse door key, call the HelpLine to get another.

MEET A VOLUNTEER

Meet your volunteer Photographer, Beverly Truitt. Bev has taken photos for the newsletter and website for several years, and also on the Yard of the Month team. In between, she'll be on a jet ski with her grandchildren or at the pickleball court. Thank you, Bev, for the great photos – a picture is worth a thousand words.



OUR BEAUTIFUL LAKE

Hurricane Sally left a few tree limbs in the lake. Until they are removed, boaters need to be aware of them. Fishermen - these limbs will attract gamefish so get to them while you can! The cooler weather will improve your odds. The lake is full and the dam functioned as it was designed and allowed the rising water to exit into the drainage ditch. *From Ryland Murden, Lake Committee Chairman*

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CELEBRATION

For everyone's safety, your board members have decided to forego the customary **Christmas Brunch**. They've received several great suggestions for a **"come and go" open house atmosphere**, and are working on a **drop in event** for mid-December with **light refreshments** and door prizes. If you have a **suggestion or would help with the event**, step up! Stay tuned for date and details.

"DID YOU KNOW"

Halloween is the evening before the Christian holy day of All Souls' Day on November 2, thus giving the holiday on October 31 the full name of All Hallows' Eve. The Celts, who lived 2,000 years ago believed the dead returned to earth and needed to be appeased. Trick-or-treating evolved from going door-to-door in costume, performing short plays in exchange for food or drink.

DATES TO REMEMBER

October 1 - National Coffee Day

...**free coffee at the clubhouse**

Columbus Day – October 12

Halloween – October 31