

The Springboard

Springwood II's Monthly Newsletter

Summer Edition 2020 Edition



COMMUNITY INFO:

Trash Collection: Tues. & Fri.

Recycle Collection: Wed. Only

Recyclable Items:

Aluminum Cans	Glass (all colors)
Plastic Food Containers	Newspaper
Assorted Paper	Steel Cans
Cardboard	Cereal Boxes
Milk Containers	Plastic Bottles

Important Telephone Numbers:

Spectrum 855-222-0102

To report cable issues or to order upgraded services.

If necessary, reference Springwood II

Account Number: 0034865037-01

Duke Energy 800-228-8485

Follow prompts to report power outages or streetlight issues.

City of Pinellas Park

Waste Management:

Trash: 727-369-0690

Management Company:

Ameri-Tech Property Management
727-726-8000

24701 U.S. 19N, Suite 102
Clearwater, Florida 33763
Property Manager: Jenny Kidd

Springwood II Website:

To view our documents and other forms, visit our community website:

<http://springwoodvillas2.org/>

Email Springboard Articles To:

springboard_articles@yahoo.com

Or-

Submit typed or legible hand-written articles to my home address mailbox:

10657 Rosewood Court

Summer Board of Directors Meetings to be announced.

President's Message:

Now that I am finishing up the 4th month of my presidency, I would like to say it has been quite a ride and quite an educational process for myself and along with this highly active board. "The good the bad and the ugly "

As it stands right now the pool, gym, Library, and the billiards room are open to **residents only** to play pool and ping-pong. Unfortunately, at this time no card playing is allowed. We do not want to be fined or to be closed by the police because our residents are sitting too close to each other, they do drive around and check. The police have been here many nights checking the areas.

Now that these areas have been open I am happy to say it has been a complete success, the residents here have followed the rules fantastically; staying six feet apart, cleaning up after themselves, wiping down the chairs with soap and water and using the chlorine wipes in the bathrooms to clean up after they are done. I must say that I am very proud of the whole community for stepping up and making this process work, but at this time still **no guests are allowed**. The definition of a guest is someone who has not had a background check. Guest are not allowed to use any of our amenities until further notice, includes all aids, caretakers etc. We do not know who they have been in contact with. Unfortunately, last Sunday we had two young ladies walk into the pool area, but Jeannie who was acting as our pool monitor that day had them leave, even though they gave her a hard time she did a great job and deserves a great shot out for her fine work in helping the community keep the pool open. Thankfully, they never made it into the pool and now we are investigating how all this came about. When I receive a definite answer from the State, the CDC, or Pinellas County the block captains will pass the word as to when guests are welcome. Now on the topic of gossip in the community; someone is spreading a rumor that we are going to raise the maintenance fee by \$100.00, how ludicrous is that? Does anybody really believe that we are going to raise the maintenance fee by \$100.00? We the board have not have a meeting to discuss this issue at all. We are still trying to finish up the past and work on some future problems here at Springwood II. **Whoever** is spreading these rumors please stop! I wish that you come and speak to me about it first to find out the truth.

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Because of this false rumor or gossiping I spent Wednesday night and all-day Thursday answering text messages, phone calls, and emails from people that were concerned about their maintenance fee increasing \$100.00 a month. First, I was told that they heard it from a board member then I was told that they heard it from other residents. The bottom line is that I am the president and you should speak to me about concerns you may have.

Gossiping is unkind and not cool!!!

I am Constantly trying to improve the level of results here in our community. I am always looking for not only talented and enthusiastic people, but those who will blend in with this board that I am so lucky to be part of. The board members have been hard at work for these last 4 months, as you can see around the community, they have produced a lot and deserve a vacation. We still want to keep the community up and running during the summer, but because one of our board members is out of town, and some other board members will be taking vacations, we would like to know who would like to join our team for the summer. "We are looking for a few good men and women", as they say in the Marines. Please let us know if you would like to jump in and help when needed during the summer months. Please let us know if you are interested, this is your opportunity to join this fine team for the summer. So, if there are any volunteers who would like to be part of our summer team please contact any board member. Let them know that you are interested in helping during the summer months. We would appreciate your spirit to help the community to continue to run smoothly while some of the board members take a well-deserved break!

Now, what is happening around the community: We are finishing up some old projects, cutting down some bad trees, painting the wall near Springwood Blvd, blocking holes in a unit that the squirrels made it their home and waiting for the mortgage company to reimburse us. We are still working with the lawn company to get it right along with repairing worn out sprinkler heads. We are getting closer to finalizing the repairs on the front sign and then we will use the approved colors

from last year's sign committee with a little tweak to the flower, all that is in progress and moving forward as a company will repair all the damage and paint the sign. We are still working on some old complaints and some new ones. Please refer to our April and May Springboards for those projects and complaints that are still in progress. Visit <https://springwoodvillas2.org> website for old Springboards.

The positive response from the community has been overwhelming and I am thankful on how this board has been responsive to any calls for help by the residents. I believe that if there is a problem, we try to handle it right away and let us put a period at the end of that issue and move on to the next issue.

Since I became the president, I had some residents ask me; Nick, what did you do before you came here? What qualifies you to be the president and leader of this new board? I am trying to give those residents who don't know me very well some confidence in what I am doing here and since this is the last Springboard until September, I thought some might find it interesting to know more about their President, so here it goes, I hope this is a fun and interesting read for you. First, let me give you a little information on my background. I spent four years in the Navy with a tour in Vietnam, I was a printer on the USS Yorktown aircraft carrier when I was asked to print all the official documents for the recovery of the Apollo 8 Splashdown which my ship picked up in the middle of the Pacific Ocean for NASA.

Some residents know that I am a retired Port Authority Police Officer for the State of New York and the State of New Jersey, where I worked over 13 years as a plain clothes officer at John F. Kennedy airport. As a Port Authority Police Officer you have to learn the legal laws of both States, we are also trained in Firefighting and Emergency Services for first aid and ambulance services. Our training was extensive and intense. This training has guided me throughout my whole career and life, teaching me how to take on responsibility and leadership. It was once said to me, "Your greatest leaders were once your greatest followers and your

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greatest followers always become your greatest leaders". I have always followed that philosophy and try to be the best follower possible when necessary, and always be ready to take control and be the best leader I could be.

Not only did my training as a police officer help me deal with very serious responsibilities but it also prepared me to handle young teenagers as a basketball coach, guiding and helping these young enthusiastic players to be the best they could be. I was also in the entertainment business which started back when I was still working as a police officer and continued for over 40 years. I had about 20 dance teachers working for me, and have been choreographing routines for 4, 6 or 8 dance couples at a time making sure that they all work together to perform a successful stage show in Madison Square Garden and on cable TV shows. I also owned an Italian pizzeria restaurant with over 10 employees. The point that I'm getting at is that I have learned over all these years that having the most talented people in your team is great, but a talented person who wants to do things on their own could cause us in the police world to get hurt because of lack of communication. Or in the basketball world you may win a game or two, but you would never win the championship because of lack of team play by not helping each player become the best they can be. Of course, as a choreographer I could have great dancers but if one dancer decides to kick a little higher or move a little differently it makes the chorus line look unbalanced ruining the performance even though they're all great dancers.

I am fortunate that this new team that we have put together is not only talented, but also has chemistry working together, communicating, and supporting one another. As a result, this will help us accomplish many issues together and help us win the respect from the community knowing that we are doing the best we can. Showing the community that we are coming together as a successful team and that we are in the same boat together. After this difficult time, we have learned that we will survive any crisis that comes our way and we hope you will continue to have faith in us and know that we will always do the best we can

for the whole community. So, join our team for the summer and we will all be successful together!! This Springboard is for June, July, and August and then I will be back with another President's message in September, so I would like to wish everybody a good, safe, and healthy summer. Remember as our country opens up more and more, please go out and safely spend money and enjoy yourself and let's help the economy grow, the future is in all of our hands to have a successful and prosperous United States of America. On Memorial Day we gave away my "American Dream Game" and our "Salsa Combo Instructional DVD". We hope that you enjoy our gifts to the community. We want to say thank you to everyone for a great turn out and to those who helped us get the word out on this great day, and thank you Liz who took it a step further by writing down the information about what we were going to do and handed it to all the people in her block, great job Liz! And remember everybody just keep on dancing!

The board would like to wish you all a happy and healthy summer. Come join our team!
Hope you had a happy Memorial Day and have a great 4th of July!

**Your president,
Nicholas Giammona**

Social Distancing:



Summer Birthdays:

June:

Shawna Laneville 6/1	Charles Bertrand 6/13
Nick Giammona 6/2	Angie Masiar 6/14
Kenn Burkhead 6/5	Hank Amalfitano 6/19
Helen King 6/6	Gary Winters 6/21
Susan Serle 6/7	Beckie Cipolla 6/25
Teresa Giammona 6/8	Lena Wheeler 6/25
Francisco Navarro 6/10	Otto Blaha 6/29
John Egan 6/11	Muriel Amalfitano 6/29
Susan Wier 6/13	William Ball 6/29
Pat Circle 6/13	

July:

Dolores Turner 7/2	Terry Sommer 7/12
Doris Smithson 7/2	Pam O'Reilly 7/13
Joanne Neptune 7/2	Maria Stefan 7/14
Daisy Deets 7/2	Earl Eastman 7/14
Barbara Abramski 7/3	Florian Prentki 7/15
Jeffrey Gray 7/6	John Green 7/15
Paul Felix 7/10	Lois Taylor 7/17
Ewa Hurman 7/11	Marge Sioch 7/20
Ken Ellicott 7/11	Margaret Dailey 7/23
Don Sabo 7/11	Virginia Oliver 7/27

August:

Hedy Kratky 8/1	Gail Boyle 8/16
Linda Gove 8/1	Anne Flanigan 8/17
Bill Johnson 8/1	Karen Myszkowski 8/18
Carl Widen 8/2	David Abramski 8/19
Lucille Clemens 8/2	Phyllis Bingiel 8/19
Arlene Retetagos 8/4	Cyndie Cordray 8/19
Dick Bowyer 8/8	Mary Young 8/20
Frank Scott 8/8	Jeanette Masters
8/23	
Mary McManus 8/10	Carole Egan 8/27
Greg Wood 8/10	Melody Jones 8/28

Summer Anniversaries:

June:

Barbara and David Abramski 6/7
Sara and Gerald Meredith 6/8
Daisy and Jim Deets 6/18
Yolanda and Charles Mason 6/21

Summer Anniversaries (Continued)

July:

Linda and Winky Gove 7/7
Vivian and Tony Esposito 7/8
Teresa and Nick Giammona 7/17
Elizabeth and Charles Bertrand 7/21
Ann and Lou Bommattei 7/26
Julie and Chuck Viers 7/28
Terri and Greg Wood 7/30

August:

Barbara and Earl Eastman 8/3
Barbara Everson-Bunton and Phillip Bunton 8/8
Lucille and Dave Clemens 8/12
Valene and Gary Winters 8/17
Antonia and Frank Gallo 8/24
Beckie and Tony Cipolla 8/24
Christine and Alan Mason 8/24
Gail and Bill Boyle 8/30

Flag Assistants:

In observance of Flag Day, Sunday, June 14, Independence Day, Saturday, July 4, and Labor Day, Monday, September 7, 2020.

Please place all flags out the day prior to these events and remove them the day after.

Any concerns regarding flags, please call Clare at 546-7358.

Thanks to all assistants for your help!!

Summer Bingo Schedule:

Bingo will reopen on Wednesday, June 10, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Please remember to wear a mask and Social Distance.

Summer Stretch Band Exercises:

This event will start up again on Monday, June 1.

Schedules:

Mondays 11:00 a.m.

Thursdays: 10:30 a.m.

Please remember to wear a mask and Social Distance.