

# The Springboard

Springwood II's Monthly Newsletter

January 2019 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
Corrugated Boxes	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 street light 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](mailto:springboard_articles@yahoo.com)

Or-

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

10657 Rosewood Court

## **Board of Directors Meeting:**

**January 15, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.**

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:**

***Wishing everyone a happy and healthy 2019!***

### **Serving your Community:**

Thanks to everyone for the well wishes for my daughter's recovery from foot surgery. This family responsibility has kept me 'out of sight' however I have done my best to continue to serve you through telephone and internet contacts. A special note of gratitude to Hank Amalfitano who has shouldered the workload while I have been in Canada.

Our Annual Membership Meeting is a month away. Please show your interest in our community by your participation in the Annual Membership Meeting. Consider, carefully, running for a position on the Board. We have several vacancies to fill. Springwood Villas II needs responsive and responsible Board members.

Have you got what it takes to serve the community of Springwood Villas II? The following is my personal perspective having been a Board member for the past 4 years.

The most important responsibility of each Board member is to maintain the value and appearance of our property and to do so in a financially responsible manner.

I am proud of the 2018 Board for the accomplishments we achieved..... sewer relining project completed; new street signs installed; masonry wall behind Springwood Blvd repaired; circular driveway repaired; new fencing project initiated; repairs to the Gazebo completed; community vote on the shuffleboard area completed and costing of alternate uses collected for further review; consideration of sidewalk repairs evaluated; abandoned units repaired and rented, generating income for the community. We need owners to run for the 2019 Board. If you want to help enhance the property values by improving an aging infrastructure, please run. If you want to encourage community spirit by supporting our social committees and social events, please run.

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If you are open minded and responsive to owners needs and requests, please run.

My view is that you should NOT run for the Board if you think your responsibility begins and ends with casting your vote at Board meetings. Run for the board only if you are also prepared to do work for your community! Yes, the Management Company coordinates and undertakes the work with Board members. Yet there are always onsite, daily tasks for Board members such as interviewing new owners, processing security access cards, reviewing applications for construction and landscaping modifications, inspecting our community for needed repairs and for rule violations; booking rentals of the community hall; meeting with and supervising the work by vendors for example: lawn maintenance, pool maintenance, electrical and plumbing repairs. My view is you should NOT run for the board if you only want to 'police your neighbors' and their adherence to our rules, bylaws, declaration, Florida Statutes etc. Yes, we want our neighbors to be good neighbors respecting our rules and this means that violation letters will need to be sent when necessary. But if that is all you want to do . . . its not helping with the overall significant Board workload. And most importantly, if you commit to serving as a Board member, do not quit when the going gets tough.



### ***Who will step up to be on the 2019 Board of Directors?***

#### **Editor's Note:**

The Springboard newsletter is being distributed early to remind owners that they need to submit their intention to run for a director position ***no later than close of business on Thursday, January 3, 2019.***

Florida Statue 718 requires that submission of intent forms must be received no less than 40 days prior to annual membership meeting. Intent forms can be hand delivered to the management company office.

### **New Pool Heater:**

For several years we have experienced constant repair and replacement issues with our gas pool heater. This resulted from the heater being too small to handle the water volume of our swimming pool. The chemical room which housed our gas pool heater could not accommodate a larger heater due to building codes. We were repairing and replacing the gas heater every 2-3 years at a cost of \$5,600. The gas heater was not covered by a warranty because it was in the chemical room and a single gas heater could not handle the volume of water to be heated. Recently there have been multiple break downs with the gas heater. The pool maintenance company that services our swimming pool recommended we switch to a heat pump system. The volume of water will require 4 units. This is the same requirement if we stay with the gas heater or change to a heat pump system. The advantage of the heat pump is it can be kept outside on a hurricane pad and therefore we can finally have enough units to heat the volume of water. We will no longer face repair issues with the units every couple of years. Another advantage is the savings in the cost of electric versus gas. Over a period of 7 years, the savings in heating costs will pay for the cost of the new units.

The Board voted to approve the expenditure of \$34,900 (parts, installation and city permits) with sufficient funds available in the reserves to cover the cost.

The four Aquatic heat pumps have a seven years parts warranty, the heater exchange has a lifetime warranty. The new heating system should be installed within 3-4 weeks. We apologize for the delay in providing a heated pool.

### **Stop Signs on Springwood Blvd:**

You have no doubt noticed that our neighbors at Springwood Villas (rentals) have installed stop signs on the section of the road that they own.

We were not advised, and no explanation was given.

We do know the owner of Springwood Villas (rentals) is dissatisfied with our financial contribution to the recent road repair.

This section of the road does not belong to us.

However, we do have a legal right to use the road.

*Submitted by Donna Keher*

## January Coffee Social:

Thanks to those who attended the December Coffee Social on short notice. The first Coffee Social in the New Year will be hosted by Charles Bertrand on January 5. So, mark your calendar now and be prepared to enjoy Chuck's culinary creations.

*Submitted by Kelly Bagley*

## January TGIF:

This month's TGIF will be hosted by Kelly Bagley on Friday, January 11, 2019. 5:00 p.m. 'til . . .

*The TGIF event is a good time, enjoyed by all. B.Y.O.B. and a dish or dessert to share.*

## January Anniversaries:

Marge and Joe Sioch 1/5

Robert Newell and Christ Lanitis 1/6

Maureen and Maury Flood 1/8

Lois and Mike Taylor 1/9

Pat and Bill Johnson 1/12

Susan and Tom Wier 1/20

## January Birthdays:

Tony Esposito 1/1

Claire Ricciardi 1/1

Sue Cormier 1/2

Mike Taylor 1/4

Diane Michael 1/6

Noemi Maldonaeo Pasols 1/6

Michael Zilora 1/7

Carol Higginton 1/8

Ray Mantell 1/8

Jon Gerry 1/10

Christine Mason 1/16

Carol Smith 1/17

Elnora Owens 1/20

Sandy Norton 1/22

Michael Kaplan 1/23

Ann Bommattei 1/26

Lilly Peteff 1/30

Glenna Dixon 1/30

Marilyn Brunnelle 1/31

Connie Russell 1/31

## Clubhouse Entry:

Any resident wishing to acquire a Clubhouse entry device(s) should contact any director until Donna returns from Canada.

Immediately notify any director if you lose an entry device to have it deactivated

## Modification Requests:

If all goes according to plan, Donna will return on January 6, 2019. Please continue to contact any director if you need approval before Donna returns.

## Thank You:

Many thanks to Winky Gove for his services of lowering the flags. Going forward, Nick Giammona will be doing this service whenever the need arises. Nick can be reached at 727-439-6035.

## Free Notary Service Available:

Exclusive to Springwood II residents only.

This free notary service is provided by two Springwood II residents.

Donna Goldie 727-546-5015

Ega Ashcraft 727-544-1760

## Clubhouse Christmas Decorations:

Thanks to all the volunteers who helped decorate the clubhouse and turned it into a Christmas wonderland. Special thanks to Tony Cabral who hung all the garland and decorations over the stage across the stage and over all the windows.

Also special thanks to Juanita Blair and Betty Curry for assisting me and helping all the volunteers. Everyone's help was greatly appreciated. The clubhouse was Christmas beautiful thanks to our volunteers.

*Submitted by Paula Cabral*

## Disappearance of American Flags:

Flags were removed by a well-meaning person, not stolen, as reported in the December Springboard.

The person who notified Clare Forma the flags were missing wasn't aware another resident had removed them.

Hence the reason to believe they were stolen. I failed to relay this information to Clare Forma, so I apologize to Clare and all residents for my mistake.

*Submitted by Kelly Bagley*

## Springwood II Breakfast

**Saturday, January 26th**

**9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.**

Menu:

**French Toast & Sausage**

**OR**

**Biscuits, Gravy & Sausage**

***Includes Orange Juice, Coffee or Tea***

**\$3<sup>50</sup> per person**

**Take Out Available**

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<p><b>HAPPY NEW YEAR!</b></p>	1	2	3 10:30 a.m. Stretch Band Exercises  6 to 9 p.m. <b>Poker Night</b> <i>In The Library &amp; Game Room</i>	4	5 9 to 11 a.m. <b>COFFEE SOCIAL</b> <i>Hosted By Charles Bertrand</i> <b>Chair Volleyball</b> 10:00 - Noon
6	7 11:00 a.m. Stretch Band Exercises  6:30 p.m. <b>BINGO</b>	8 <b>Chair Volleyball</b> 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. <i>"Come Join Us for Lots of Fun"</i>	9	10 10:30 a.m. Stretch Band Exercises  6 to 9 p.m. <b>Poker Night</b> <i>In The Library &amp; Game Room</i>	11 5:00 p.m. 	12 <b>Chair Volleyball</b> 10:00 - Noon <i>"Come Join Us for Lots of Fun"</i>
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