



## BERMUDA GREENS BUGLE

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### A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

You can tell we are off and running in our new season when our Board meeting on 24 Oct was Standing Room Only! Our first Social event the Chili Golf dinner was very well received and planning is under way for a number of activities that will take us thru the next several months. We have had several changes in ownership since 1 sept, so if you encounter new residents as you are out and about extend them a warm welcome.

We definitely are in the post IRMA recovery phase with landscaping, carport repair, and several units in rehab. As we have said repeatedly, Bermuda Green's infrastructure and boots on the ground expertise got us thru the worst that IRMA could throw at us. But that does not mean we will sit back and not improve our capability to address future natural disasters. You will see some of those improvements in the coming months.

A note of caution as you travel along Imperial Golf Course Blvd. Watch out for heavy equipment entering and leaving the road as the Water Main Construction Project progresses from Route 41 to just in front of the 4 way stop at Imperial Golf Course club house.

**Fred Demma, President**

### FROM THE PROPERTY MANAGER

No report at this time  
**Rich Ouimet, Property Manager**

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Income though 30 September 2017 is over budget by \$2,404 due mainly to late fees and application fees.

On the expense side Utilities is over budget by \$1,479 due to Water/Sewer. This is better than last month by \$1,196. Pool expense is over by \$647 and should be okay by year-end. Management is over budget by \$11,520 due to legal fees and audit. Legal fees for Paint litigation is now at \$9,631 and Comcast/CSI contract issue are at \$2,156. This line item will continue to increase due to ongoing issues.

Expenses are below budget in Building Maintenance by \$9,957 since power wash has not started. Ground Maintenance is below by \$16,224 because Tree Trimming, Shrub Replacement, Landscape repair are not scheduled to start until fall.

The Reserve is still in good shape with a value of \$723,300. To date we have spent \$143,481 and added \$104,735. The expenditures were for Clubhouse Renovation, Power Washing and Road engineering. In addition some irrigation and Plant replacement occurred due to the road repair. The major expense this month was for Becroft road repair of \$24,690.

Soon we will begin planning for the 2018 budget. If the CSI contract for Comcast services is approved, the quarterly budget will have to increase by \$90 per door for this line item. Depending upon when Comcast comes online we may have only 2 quarters to fund. Other concerns that we have to address are Island cleanup and on-going maintenance, crabgrass control (which appears to be aggressive and extensive). Also legal fees are increasing and the budget needs to be increased. On the positive side, insurance costs remain stable. In order to continue roadway rebuilding, we need to consider increasing the Reserve budget.

Due to hurricane Irma we are collecting costs to repair. Major costs will be seen in the area of Car Ports, landscape cleanup and one unit in C building, which received severe damage due to water and mold incursion. We are waiting for the insurance adjustors report. This will likely result in a special assessment.

**Rob Blagg, Treasurer**

### **LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE**

As the LTP Committee reconvenes, we are continuing to work toward publishing a Bermuda Greens Website at the beginning of 2018. Additionally, the Committee is following up on outstanding projects from last spring and will have more to report next month.

We are seeking new members. The Committee takes its direction from the Board to look at projects that need to be addressed within the next few years. From there we explore options that are available, estimated costs for those projects and report our findings to the Board. We meet as necessary to review projects. If you have an interest in future projects in Bermuda Greens we invite you to join.

Sue Giese, LRPC Chair  
suegiese@gmail.com

### **RECYCLING**

Recycling pick up is early Friday morning in Bermuda Greens. Place your recycling cart curbside after 5P on Thursday or early Friday morning.

Do not put your recycled materials in plastic

bags and then in the cart. No plastic bags are to be placed in the cart. Put recyclables loose in the cart. Plastic bags can be recycled at grocery stores such as Publix.

Need a recycling cart, yours is damaged or you need a second cart? Call the Solid Waste Division at 239-213-4700. One will be delivered to your home address.

Did you know Americans discard enough glass bottles and jars to fill up a large stadium every two weeks?

**Emi Lydem**

### **LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE**

. Remember that old classic movie Gone with The Wind? That's exactly what happen to the Landscape budget, gone with the wind of Irma. With so much damage from Irma, we are concentrating on the debris collection and repair of landscape. As you look around you will see pink tape tied to many trees. This is for our tree crew to identify trees needing trimming or removal of damaged limbs, or in some cases removal of the tree itself. This season we are not planning on doing any planting. Instead we will be overseeing the cleanup and working with our Landscaper, Rey Juarez, to select the proper shrubs and trees for future planting.

The road work to Castle Harbour is complete. However, there is still Irrigation work to be done and sod replacement. A good time to remind you, please do not drive or park on the grass. The irrigation system is adjacent to the road and when you drive or park on the grass Irrigation heads are destroyed. It is expensive to have them dug up, replaced and the sod replaced. You can help us avoid this expense.

Although Irma made a mess, we are thankful our Landscape crew and Angel Tree were able to come so quickly and right the wrong. Despite Irma's damage Bermuda Greens is still a beautiful community to call home

**Emi Lydem & Steve Smith,  
Chairs Landscape Committee**

## **BOCCE**

The Bocce Steering Group has met and are ready for the upcoming season. The court has been raked and inspected for Irma damage and normal wear and tear. There are some repairs and resurfacing needed that should be completed before year end. There will be email notification when the court is open for practice.

Sign-up sheet is posted in the club house or you may also email to [gieserw@gmail.com](mailto:gieserw@gmail.com), [lktoner@gmail.com](mailto:lktoner@gmail.com), [wgfaust@aol.com](mailto:wgfaust@aol.com), or [poppygram@roadrunner.com](mailto:poppygram@roadrunner.com). Sign-ups can be on an individual basis or a max of 2 individuals. You may sign up for regular play or substitute. Teams will be made up of 4 members based on a random draw January 7, 2018. The fee this season is \$28 which covers court maintenance, banquet, and championship party.

Important dates:

December 31, 2017 sign up closes

January 4, 2018 team draft in club house

January 8, 2018 season play begins

March 19-23, 2018 championship play begins followed by banquet.

See you on the court.

**Bob Giese**

## **SOCIAL COMMITTEE NEWS**

Coffee November 4 at 9:00 am, \$2 at the door. Watch for posting on the kiosk regarding potluck dinner to be held at the club house.

**Your Social Committee co-chairs,  
Marilyn Demma and Tommie Faust**

## **BINGO**

There will be BINGO on Monday November 6<sup>th</sup> at 7PM in the Clubhouse. Dan Howard hosted Bingo for the residents who stayed around for the summer months. He is continuing his Bingo calling now that everyone is returning. He would like a head count. So please, R.S.V.P. to him if you are coming to BINGO.

R.S.V.P. to Dan at [dan@thehowards.us](mailto:dan@thehowards.us)

Keep Checking the Kiosk for more dates.

## **FOR SALE**



9 Ounce Libby Stemless Wine Glass  
\$3.50 a piece

We will have these glasses for sale at the Coffee this Saturday Morning. If there are glasses left, you can also purchase them by contacting Susan Shrewsbury [sshrewsbury3@comcast.net](mailto:sshrewsbury3@comcast.net) or 514-3617