BERMUDA GREENS BUGLE



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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Was that January that just went by? Good riddance to the colder temps, looking forward to sunny skies and mid 70's. For major activities coming up which everyone can participate in and enjoy, see the following sections of the Bugle and the BG Website for details.

As I have said before, we are in the peak period of our season, so be aware of parking/traffic conditions, treat the Club House men's and ladies facilities as you would your own including closing all windows and doors and adhere to BG's posted pool rules. Specifically, the pool deck cooking grills need to be shut off and cleaned after each use.

Save the date of 18 March 2019 for the Annual Meeting to be held at the Imperial Golf Course Club House at 4 p.m. formal second notice of the meeting will be posted in two weeks including details of the Agenda. Looking forward to seeing you all there.

Fred Demma, President

TREASURER'S REPORT

This is the report for the last month of the year and our finances remain in excellent shape for the coming year. On the income side of the ledger, our Association Fees are just \$3.7K under budget. Only 3 residents are running late. This is compensated, in part, by \$2.8K in late, rental, and application fees. Also the special assessment is fully paid up. The total spent to date on hurricane IRMA is \$74.7K in 2018 and \$69.5K in 2017 leaving \$76K

for the remaining repairs on our soffits and the C1 unit.

On the expense side of the ledger we have a surplus of \$56K most of which is in the area of Utilities – signing bonus for Comcast. Any surplus will be rolled over in 2019 to the new Contingency Reserve fund to avoid paying taxes.

The Reserve fund currently at \$854,584 less \$156,985 for insurance pay back is \$697,599. The insurance payback will occur in monthly installments through 2019. Also \$150,000 will be added throughout 2019 from our quarterly reserve fees. The Contingency fund is now at \$109,989 after expenses for the engineering study of lake shore restoration.

Rob Blagg, Treasurer

PROPERTY MANAGER

I want to thank the members of this community who have been so kind and gracious wishing me well in this job. I could not have asked for a warmer reception.

And a special thanks to Marilyn Demma who generously made a contribution of York Peppermint Patties and Heath bars to the Bermuda Greens candy bowl.

I learned that if the pool technician uses too much soap cleaning the spa, when the jets are turned on, they create foam like suds of washing machine. If this happens to you, please give me a nudge. There is a bottle of Defoamer Plus Remedy in the pool equipment closet. Pour a little in the spa and it's really amazing watching it dissolve the foam. One more reason not to drink the water.

Proposals are being solicited for a condition called delamination of the stucco at F, I, and O. The cause is rain water penetration that corrodes the rebar. The representative from McLeod's (one of the bidders) said this could be symptomatic of a condition that might (not shall) effect other buildings in Bermuda Greens. Sadly rebar rusts. I once had the audacity in a continuing education class on stucco cracks and repairs to ask, "why don't they make rebar out of stainless steel?" Apparently the cost would be astronomical. But so are the repairs when the rebar rusts... anyone else thinking about Joseph Heller's book, "Catch-22"?

If you are walking your dog, please visit me at the office. I keep a supply on hand of Gravy Bones and Beggin' Strips. Candy for my home owners and doggies treats for my little furry buddies.

Clement Ross, Property Manager

LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE

Long Range Planning met with three roof cleaning companies and presented the Board with information and quotes on all three. The Board has chosen Trafford as the contractor. More details on timing of this project will be made available in the near future. LRP will also begin looking at potential options for the roof loan balloon payment that is due in three years.

Anyone interested in joining Long Range Planning, please contact me.

Sue Giese, LRPC Chair suegiese@gmail.com

BERMUDA GREENS WEBSITE

We have begun work to build an online Directory that will be password protected for the use of Bermuda Greens Home Owners. Watch your emails for more details as we begin work on this project.

Remember to check your website for information on Community Events, Rules & Regulations, and forms for Sales, Rentals and Guests and many other areas of useful information. We work to keep the information updated and look to residents for suggestions on what information you feel would be helpful. Link to website: www.bermudagreensnaples.com

<u>Sue Giese, Jan McCloskey and</u> <u>Pete Asimakopoulos, Web team members</u>

RECYCLING

Just a reminder for our residents to recycle at home and also at the Clubhouse when attending events or enjoying the pool. There is a large yellow topped recycling container on the Clubhouse lanai to receive all aluminum cans, bottles, and other recycling materials. All the cans and glass bottles, jars etc. will remain in the landfill for hundreds of

years. Glass will remain forever! So please, recycle.

As you've all probably seen on the TV Waste Management recycling notices we are now asked to place all garden waste in paper bags, no plastic. This waste is collected on Friday with the regular waste pickup.

Let's all do our part.

Emi Lydem

LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

We will be planting 3 Golden Shower Trees on the Island in front of the "A" building. There were trees there in the past but were destroyed by a hurricane. They will be kept at a height of approximately 30' and should produce a grand yellow show when in bloom. We think this is a good choice for this area, and hope everyone will enjoy the trees.

Until Comcast has completed the installation there will be no grass repair or planting's being done.

Please remember not to drive or park on any grass area. Sprinkler heads are in the grass near the roads and driveways. To replace them is an avoidable expense.

Please remember when heading north to bring in all containers and ornamental items in your garden area. Also remove all annuals planted during the season. Place the pulled annuals in a paper bag and put the bag curbside for the Friday collection.

Emi Lydem & Steve Smith, Chairs Landscape Committee

BOCCE

We are finishing or third week of competition with highly spirited play. Week days at 3:00pm brings out a good size crowd of spectator to view the exciting, unpredictable outcome of the game. So far the weather has only cause the rescheduling of one game.

Looking forward to championship week and our scrumptious banquet March 25-28

Bob Giese, Bocce Steering Committee

SOCIAL COMMITTEE NEWS

The social activities have started the season with a bang. The attendance has been excellent with many new faces. The most recent being the wine and cheese party that was attended by 53 people.

Upcoming events include the Super Bowl pre-party starting @ 5:00 on Sunday, February 3rd. There will be food, BYOB and the charge is \$4.

On February 16 there is a pancake breakfast. This is a popular event and always well attended. The charge is \$5.

The Trip to Gulfstream Park is scheduled for February 27. There are 44 people signed up for this fun trip. More information will be sent to those people that are making the trip.

Yoga is scheduled to start Tuesday, February 5 at 10:15 am at the clubhouse open to anyone that would like to attend.

Watch the kiosk for information on future events. Thanks for participating and invite your neighbors to join us.

Social Committee Chairs, Tommie and Marilyn co- chairs

BINGO

Our upcoming Bermuda Greens Bingo nights are February 11th and 25th (the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month) from 7-9 PM in the Bermuda Greens Clubhouse. Bring some snacks to share. Hope to see you all at Bingo... invite your friends and neighbors, too!

Dan Howard, Coordinator and Caller

BERMUDA GREENS MEN'S CLUB

The Bermuda Greens Men's Club will meet this Wednesday, January 9th at 9:00 a.m. at the Clubhouse. Everyone is welcome; bring a friend, a neighbor, a stranger or all. The more, the more informed we become. This week's topic is "Where we live". We will explore housing options, after Bermuda Greens. Look for weekly posts for future meetings. Call Dave Bearce 413-896-2255 for additional information.