



Sabal Grove Newsletter - September 2015

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Letter from the President:

Sabal Grove is a community where people want to come and live. Thanks to the hard work of many residents both on the Board of Directors in the past and present, we strive to keep it that way through community events such as our Easter Egg Hunt, Annual Picnic, neighborhood garage sales, and enforcing our covenants to maintain property values.

Thank you to the many residents who strive to keep their homes and yards looking neat, clean, and green! In the past few years we have seen our share of foreclosures, but your HOA worked to keep up those properties to a minimal level of cleanliness. We are happy to see most of the foreclosed homes have been fixed up and sold, and we have new neighbors to get to know! If you are new to our community, please be sure to read the covenants.

Our Volunteers in Sabal Grove make this a great community. The volunteer Board of Directors oversees the budget, the enforcement of covenants, and maintenance of common grounds. In January we have elections for the Board of Directors, a 2 year volunteer term. Please consider getting involved this way, as many on the current Board will be stepping down.

Thank you to each of you for making Sabal Grove a great place to live!

Architecture Review Committee

Darlene Lindsay Sandy Blasens
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Events Committee

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ARCHITECTURE REVIEW COMMITTEE

The Architecture Review Committee (ARC), which is appointed by the Board of Directors, meets once a month on the first Tuesday to review submitted architecture requests. This group is key to ensuring the improvements made to resident properties are compliant with the Association documents. Contact Sandy Blasens with questions: 321-625-7436

Please ensure you get ARC approval for any activities related to building, re-building, installing or painting any items on your property. You can find an ARC form on the SGHA web site.

**Requests submitted after the first Tuesday of each month will be reviewed the following month.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The following is the Treasurer's information as of 9-1-2015:

- Assessments collected: 151 (of 155 properties)
- Expenses paid to date: \$13,526.33 (52.8% of budget)
- Current balance: \$52,321.05

Thanks to all of you who provided their 2015 assessments in a timely manner, it saves the Association and the affected property owner unnecessary costs when the dues are paid on time.

Darlene Lindsay
Treasurer, SGHA

EVENTS COMMITTEE

Oct. 10th: Fall Neighborhood Garage Sale. Ad will be placed in Craigslist, and signs posted at front entrance. 8:00am-?

SAVE THE DATE! Nov. 7th: ANNUAL PICNIC. Please join us at the corner of Jacaranda and Kingfisher at 4:00pm for great food, entertainment, and lots of door prizes.



Nov. 14th: Front Entrance Decorations. We need volunteers to help decorate our entrance. There will be a chance to win a \$50 gift certificate to Lowe's as incentive! The more the merrier (and the faster it gets done), see you at 9:00am.

Announcing - Best in Class Christmas decoration contest. Best house will win a \$100 gift certificate! Second place: \$75 gift certificate, Third place: \$50 gift certificate. Contest will end at noon on 12/19/15. Winners will be announced individually, as well as the annual meeting in January.



BEING A GOOD NEIGHBOR

These are not covenants violations, but are rules that make us good neighbors.

- If you walk your pet, please carry a plastic bag and pick up the results of your pet going to the bathroom on someone's property or the common areas of Sabal Grove. If you witness a violation of this rule you should discuss this with the person and if it continues, you can contact Brevard County and the offender may be fined.
- Do not park your automobile across the sidewalk. This makes it difficult for those residents who walk or ride their bicycles in the area. It is also a Rockledge City Ordinance.

WHAT WE'VE ACCOMPLISHED

We've made great progress in 2015, here are a few highlights:

- Clean-up of foreclosed homes.
- Clean-up of several code violations.
- Introduction of sterile Carp to ponds to decrease spraying for algae with chemicals, and causing less damage to lawns from occasional overspray.
- Association ownership of conservation area.
- No soliciting signs available for sale, a sample can be seen on our website.

KUDOS

Dennis Wilkerson oversees the care and maintenance of our front entrances, signs, landscaping, lighting, the drainage system of the ponds, and pest management. Here are just a few of his recent accomplishments:

- ✓ He worked with the pond care company to get sterile carp placed in the ponds. This results in less spraying of chemicals, and less damage to lawns.
- ✓ Dennis also has repairs done to the storm water culverts going into our ponds. He can be seen checking the overflow cistern on the jacaranda pond regularly, or checking the front entrance for trash or damage.
- ✓ When baby alligators were found in the front wilderness area, Dennis called out the fish and game department to find the mother alligator for the protection of our children and pets. A bait trap was set but there was no activity, and fortunately no alligator found. Dennis also alerted the neighbors closest to the suspected animal.
- ✓ Dennis has also worked with the Rockledge Police Department when suspicious activity in the conservation area was observed, and established an increase in patrols of the area.

Dennis, we greatly appreciate your diligence and all the work you do for our neighborhood! Thank you!!

2016 ANNUAL MEETING

Tentatively planned for January 19, 2016 at Grace Fellowship Church. We are hopeful for a strong turn out as we will be discussing the future of our annual dues and the new management of the association.