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**Walden Lake Community Association**

**Spring 2019**

## **PRESIDENTS CORNER:**

**Michael Fiaschetti**

Dear WLCA Residents!

Spring is upon us and with that brings another newsletter!

Since my last writing a lot has transpired.

The Resident Advisory Council has been formed. The group meets weekly at the HOA building. The board would like to thank this group for dedicating a great deal of their time and bringing together concerns and ideas to continue to enrich our community. I could go on and on about these individuals, but you will get to hear from the council directly in this newsletter.

The litigation that WLCA was involved in with Today's Bank regarding the golf course property has been settled. The settlement details and lawsuit explanation were posted to our website [www.waldenlake.org](http://www.waldenlake.org) as well as our Facebook page in late January. Please visit our website to obtain this information or to ask questions.

The former golf course property is under contract. The purchasing company is named Walden Lake LLC. There have been two meetings with individuals representing the buyer group and a small group of board members. Details and minutes of these meetings were posted to our website.



There was also a meeting with the buyer group and the resident advisory council. The developers have shown an interest in working with WLCA and we are remaining optimistic that they will continue to work with the board and residents of WLCA. Once site plans have been developed and more information is known we will share with our residents via our website and Facebook page.

The board and our property management company, Greenacre have continued to work on improving Walden Lake. The landscaping committee continues to do tremendous work making the common spaces and HOA entrances beautiful. We have begun the process of enhancing security by acquiring new video cameras for entrances and exits as well as the park area. We have also restored functionality to the exit gates. You will receive additional communications before these are put back into use. The board also approved the purchase of new equipment for the playground to replace our ageing equipment that exists today.

I would like to thank all the board committees for the tremendous work they do. I would also like to thank all our residents for their feedback and support.

Happy spring and see everyone at the annual meeting on April 25<sup>th</sup>.

## **WALDEN LAKE COMMUNITY ASSOC. BOARD OF DIRECTOR NOMINEES**

The following residents are nominees for Walden Lake Community Association Board of Directors and listed alphabetically:

**Larry Britt**

**Rich Glorioso**

**Bill Griffin**

**Herbert Griffin**

**Ray Page**

**Alicia Powell**

**Peter Weronik**

A total of four (4) seats are up for election, instead of the usual three (3). The fourth seat is because there is currently one (1) open seat on the Board of Directors. The three (3) highest vote getters will be elected for three (3) year terms. The fourth (4) highest vote getter will be appointed to the open seat by the Board for a two (2) year term.

The election will be held at the Walden Lake Annual Meeting on Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM at the Plant City Church of God, 2103 Mud Lake Road.



In the United States, Tax Day is a colloquial term for the day on which individual income tax returns are due to be submitted

to the federal government. The term may also refer to the same day for individual states, even where the tax return due date is a different date.

- First occurred: Apr 15, 1955
  - **2019 date: April 15 (Monday)**
  - Observed by: United States
  - Significance: Due date for federal individual income tax returns
- Date: Typically April 15



To all Walden Lake Residents

**We are your Walden Lake Resident Advisory Council.**

You may know the golf property has a buyer and closing date is expected between March 15th - 30th. The buyer registered as Walden Lake LLC. On 2/19/2019, four members of the buyers group met with the Walden Lake Resident Advisory Council. The spokesperson (Carmine) did not present formal plans, however he did state their willingness to work with the Walden Lake residents in an effort to develop a plan that the majority of our residents can accept. **To be clear - there will be new development within Walden Lake.**

The Walden Lake Resident Advisory Council was formed as a result of a request published in the Walden Lake newsletter by Michael Fiaschetti. As such, we are volunteers who will be acting as a conduit of information between the developers and the Walden Lake community at large. We will provide information regarding the evolution of the developers plan; bring attention to concerns related to flooding, traffic, environmental and other issues that may impact our community negatively; if necessary and where warranted, request independent studies to evaluate these concerns; and provide suggestions and justification for new and improved community amenities, including but not limited to a golf course, cycling and hiking trails and maintained green space.

As such we have developed the following Mission Statement:

**MISSION STATEMENT**

Provide community input on the best use of the golf course property with the goal of sharing communication between neighbors and developers, and with the assistance of a knowledgeable consultant. Review and communicate transparently, including, at the appropriate time, a neighbor questionnaire. Communicate infrastructure and environmental concerns. Consider and/or prioritize other amenities desired by the community. Over the coming weeks we will provide information as it becomes available.

In an effort to gain input from the entire community, we eventually expect to go door to door with a poll to give each of you a chance at expressing your views.

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**PLEASE PICK UP AFTER YOUR PET**

It doesn't take much to remember that we have pets in our community. In fact, if you don't watch your step, you're liable to step in one such reminder!

Besides being unsightly and smelly, animal waste can be hazardous to the health of our children who play in the community and other pets. One of the most common forms of disease transmission between dogs is through fecal matter.

When walking your dog, remember that it should be leashed.



Also, it is important to remember to immediately clean up after your pet. Take along a bag to pick up waste and then dispose of it properly.

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**GET ACC APPROVAL BEFORE YOU BEGIN**

It's that time of the year when homeowners are taking a good look at their property and deciding it's time for a change! If you plan to make **ANY** changes that will alter the outer appearance of your home and yard, whether it be painting, landscaping, fencing, driveway and roof, you must contact your Architectural Committee for your HOA for approval. Even if you are painting your home the same color, some of the HOA's require approval. If you are uncertain who to contact, call the President of your association and he or she will be able to give you the contact information.

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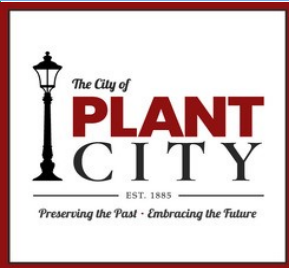
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It's time to start thinking about Summer activities for area youth!

The Plant City Recreation & Parks Department's Youth Summer Program will kick off registration for their 2019 session with discounted registration during the week of March 25. Anyone registering during the first week of registration will receive a \$10 discount on their registration fee!

The program includes supervised activities such as arts, games, sports, discovery (STEM style) and outdoor activities as well as field trips. A special Teen Focus group will keep the teens active in age-appropriate activities. Planned field trips for all campers will consist of day excursions to Florida Aquarium, Legoland, Fun Spot, Skate World, Plant City Family Bowl., Aquatica, and occasional free matinee movies at Plant City Premier Cinema 8.

Our Summer Youth Program is based out of the Planteen Recreation Center, 301 Dort Street. Any area youths ages 5-15 are eligible to attend. Youngest attendees must have completed kindergarten.

The eight week program will start June 10 and run through August 2, 2019. The fee is only \$375 for the 8 weeks of fun, which covers adult supervision, camp tee shirt for field trips, field trip entry fees and transportation for field trips. This works out to less than a \$10 a day investment in a child! Payment plans are available, but the total fee needs to be paid by June 7. Payment reserves the participant's spot in the program regardless of attendance record.

More information is available on the program web page at <https://www.plantcitygov.com/parksrec/page/summer-offerings>

or by e-mail at [recinfo@plantcitygov.com](mailto:recinfo@plantcitygov.com) or by telephone at 813-659-4256.

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# THE DAY THE CLYDESDALES CAME TO TOWN!

On Gasparilla Eve, January 25<sup>th</sup>, the World Famous Budweiser Clydesdales arrived at the WLCA Offices near the Dog Park and unloaded the horses and wagon and setup the rig. The eight-horse hitch was harnessed and hitched to the famous red beer wagon and on Gasparilla eve, 3 pm, Friday the 25<sup>th</sup>, the “Gentle Giants,” as they are often referred to, delivered cases of Budweiser to a resident at 3201 Polo Pl.



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## UNITED FOOD BANK AND SERVICES OF PLANT CITY

**Mission:** The **Mission** of the United Food Bank and Services of Plant City is to *provide assistance* for the needy in moving them from a "state of hunger" and "impoverishment" to self-sufficiency, empowerment, and self-reliance.

Our **Vision** is to stamp-out hunger in East Hillsborough County and raise the standard of living for the truly needy. Offering opportunities for self-improvement, education, job skills and enhancing life for individuals and families; thus, affecting change for the community.

**Who do we serve?**

- We focus on feeding the neediest in our community, specifically hard-working adults, children, and families.
- In 2018, we served 40,000 people and distributed 1,300,000 pounds of food.

**Geographic area served:**

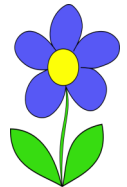
We focus on Eastern Hillsborough County serving 7 communities: Plant City, Dover, Valrico, Seffner, Lithia, Thonotossasa, and Riverview.

**Statistics for understanding the impacts:**

- USDA reports that the number of people who struggle with hunger is over 50 million—that's 1 in 6 Americans! 18 million are children.
- Florida is 4th in the nation.

**Our services extend well beyond meeting the immediate needs of hunger. Here are a few:**

- Weekend Children's meals
- Weekly Kids Bags during non-school days
- Holiday Meals
- FDIC Money Smart Class
- Health Literacy Class
- Flu Shots
- Computer Lab
- Mobil Food - Feeding America
- Diabetes Prevention Class
- Insurance Person On-Site
- ACCESS Community Liaison



**Greatest Need Throughout the Year: Shelf stable/ canned food and monetary donations.**

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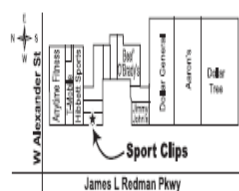
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If you or your family are looking for a venue to hold your next family picnic, birthday party, etc. and want to stay close to home, consider the Sports Complex. There is a covered pavilion with four large picnic tables and an oversized grill. There are two horseshoe pits, two four square pads and tetherball. Additionally, as residents you can use this and any area of the Sports Complex for free on a first come first served basis. To reserve the Ball Field, Sand Volleyball or Soccer Field, below is the information.



**Tetherball, Horseshoes  
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If you would like to reserve an area of the Sports Complex, please contact [betteg@waldenlake.org](mailto:betteg@waldenlake.org) or call the office at 754-8999 to check date availability. You can obtain a Reservation Application and a copy of the Sports Complex Rules at the WLCA Office or if you would like it e-mailed, one will be sent to you. Additionally, they are available on our website, [waldenlake.org](http://waldenlake.org) under Resources. If you are not registered, the code is Greenacre2017.

### FEES

Half Day (4 Hours) Rental—water available (Must provide hose)  
\$60 under 100 attendees per area  
\$100 over 100 attendees per area

Full Day rental (8 Hours)—water available (Must provide hose)  
\$80 under 100 attendees per area  
\$150 over 100 attendees per area

**DEPOSIT:** A deposit of \$100 is required when reserving any area of the Sports Complex. The damage deposit will be refunded if no rule violations occur. All trash must be picked up and put in bags, removed from the receptacle and placed in the waste dumpster located at the SE corner of the Complex and new bag put in receptacle. If WLCA staff time is required to clean the facility, the deposit will be forfeited and additional charges may be incurred. Failure to return the Sports Equipment bag and its contents will result in a forfeiture of deposit.



**Soccer Field**



**Volleyball**



**Softball**

## **WALDEN LAKE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**

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**PLAY BALL!**

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