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# Newsletter

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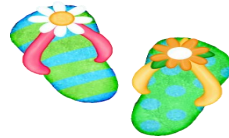
## PRESIDENTS CORNER—ALICIA POWELL

Dear WLCA Residents,

As a result of the coronavirus pandemic, WLCA had to change the way the Board held meetings. We learned how to hold them by virtual means and livestreamed them on our website. Residents need to be registered on the website to view and participate in the meetings. You can register at [waldenlake.org](http://waldenlake.org). Thank you all who attended our virtual annual meeting. I would like to congratulate our new board members: Keith Carlough, Blake Meinecke, and Ray Page.

Many of you have noticed that the playground equipment at the park is closed. Because of the age of the equipment, some pieces had become unsafe and needed repair. We are working to have those repairs done as soon as possible and we will also be placing a fence around the area to make it safer for the children.

**HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY SUMMER!**



## DUES REMINDER

The 2<sup>nd</sup> half maintenance fees are due July 1<sup>st</sup>. You should have received your statement around June 11<sup>th</sup>. If you have not received it or have any questions regarding your account, contact Tracy Preston at Greenacre Properties @813-600-1100 or email: [tpreston@greenacre.com](mailto:tpreston@greenacre.com). If you had paid your dues in full in January, please disregard the notice.



If you are unable to pay your dues by July 31, 2020, please contact our office immediately @813-754-8999. We will make every effort to work with you on a payment plan.

## NEWSLETTER OPTIONS

WLCA prepares and mails out approximately 2250 Newsletters on 3-month intervals, January, April, July and October. The Newsletter has articles of community interest and current events, WLCA Staff and Board activities and Advertisements. We limit the size to about 8 pages so the mailing cost can remain at a bulk rate. Anything over that would require stapling which would greatly increase the mailing costs. We also post the Newsletter on our [waldenlake.org](http://waldenlake.org) web site. This provides access to all site visitors. When the Newsletter is posted on the website an email is sent out to all registered users, provided their registered email is correct.

We are looking into the possibility that residents could just receive the Newsletter by mail or “Option Out” of the mailing in lieu of reading it on-line on the [waldenlake.org](http://waldenlake.org) website, or receiving it in their email also. The reason for doing this would be to both save money in postal fees, printing costs and time to prepare for mailing as well as being more environmentally friendly. We understand that everyone is not capable of receiving the Newsletter electronically so we still want to continue providing this service to those folks. We believe the Newsletter is an essential part of our communication link to the community.

Here are the approximate costs of sending out the newsletter (not including our staff time) for each quarterly mailing: \$672 – Minute Man Fee for the mailing service, \$420 – Mail Processing – Bulk, and \$162– Paper for a total of approximately \$1254. We receive \$1035 in advertising which leaves about \$250 net cost per quarter.

We are debating on how to receive the “option out” information from residents and are looking at utilizing another SurveyMonkey survey, including some additional Customer Satisfaction type questions regarding the services WLCA are providing to the residents of Walden Lake. We are planning to roll this process out in the fall and have it implemented for the Winter Newsletter that mails out in January of 2021.



### HELP TAKE A BITE OUT OF CRIME IN OUR COMMUNITY



If you witness any suspicious activity in our community, please contact the Plant City Police Department immediately at 657-9200 or 911.

**Nextdoor.com** is a private social media website that IS NOT affiliated with, administered by, or endorsed by WLCA. WLCA DOES NOT provide homeowners' contact information to the Nextdoor.com



administrator, due to privacy considerations, and homeowners are not required to participate on Nextdoor.com. Nextdoor.com allows participating residents to communicate with one another.

### MEMORIAL DAY, 2020

*This wreath was placed at the front entrance of Walden Lake in Memory of those who sacrificed for us.*



**SCOOP THE POOP**

### BE THOUGHTFUL OF YOUR NEIGHBORS



**DON'T LET YOUR DOG(S) BARK CONTINUOUSLY**

**KEEP THE NOISE LEVEL DOWN**



**JULY IS NATIONAL ICE CREAM MONTH**  
**JULY 19 IS NATIONAL ICE CREAM DAY**  
**ENJOY!**

*Thanks to President Reagan, we celebrate National Ice Cream Day every third Sunday in July, meaning July 19 this year. Reagan wanted to commemorate a treat enjoyed by over 90 percent of the US population. In 1984, he decreed a day for ice cream and his proclamation actually glorified the dairy industry in America.*

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# THE BACON BOSS FOOD TRUCK was at the Sports Complex on Sunday, May 24.

## Great food was enjoyed by all!



Because of the success of the first Food Truck on Sunday, May 24th, we are going to have another one on Sunday, June 28, **Jimmy's Famous Seafood Truck**. As long as residents continue to support this event, we will continue them the last Sunday of each month. July's Food Truck Event will be announced on [Waldenlake.org](http://Waldenlake.org).

### UNITED FOOD BANK



The United Food Bank of Plant City needs your continued support for donations during this critical time in our community.

The Food Bank served over 7,000 people in the past two months. Every donation counts and is very much appreciated. You may drop your donations off at the WLCA OFFICE Monday-Friday, 8:30am -5:00pm.

### OFFICE COVID PROTOCOL

FOR THE SAFETY AND WELL-BEING OF THE EMPLOYEES AND VISITORS, PLEASE WEAR A FACE MASK WHEN VISITING THE WALDEN LAKE OFFICE AND PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING.



### WIN A \$20 OUTBACK GIFT CARD

PLUS 1 Free Appetizer—Just find YOUR address hidden in this newsletter (address label doesn't count), contact the WLCA Office to claim your Gift Card @ 813-754-8999.



Sponsored by Outback Steakhouse, Plant City.

SAVE THE DATES



ANNUAL GARAGE SALE  
NOVEMBER 7

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA  
DECEMBER 5



Maintenance workers, Larry Truman, Kenny Hall and Ricky Truman remove a fallen tree at the park.



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# NO SOLICITING

*Thank You*

## SOLICITOR UPDATE: YOUR HELP IS NEEDED—TELL THEM NO SOLICITING IN WALDEN LAKE AND CLOSE YOUR DOOR

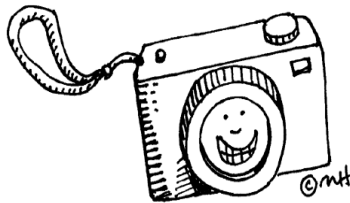
As you know, we distributed a NO SOLICITING decal to each of the 2241 homes in Walden Lake last year with your yearly dues statement and asked each homeowner to prominently display it near their front door. If you need a replacement NO SOLICITING decal, please contact the office.

The solicitors are SUPPOSED to honor it and are not to ring your doorbell. If solicitors see a preponderance of NO SOLICITING decals we are expecting them to move on to another neighborhood as there will be slim pickings in Walden Lake and their time here will be wasted since they are generally commission sales folks. **YOU CAN HELP BY NOT ALLOWING THE SOLICITORS TO TAKE ANY OF YOUR VALUABLE TIME!** If you listen to them and allow them to pitch their products or services and buy from them you are assisting in degrading our efforts to keep Walden Lake a safe and quiet family neighborhood. **SAY NO SOLICITING AND CLOSE YOUR DOOR.**



### RESIDENT PHOTO GALLERY

Walden Lake is looking for your community photos. We will print photos by residents featuring locations and activities around Walden Lake. To submit a photo for consideration, email your photo to [mmerrin@waldenlake.org](mailto:mmerrin@waldenlake.org). Please include the photographer's full name, neighborhood, and description of the photo. Photos will be chosen by Walden Lake staff and submission of photo does not guarantee publication.

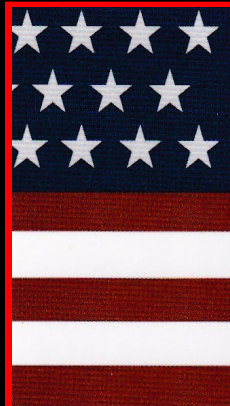


### Just Ask Julie Pet Sitting

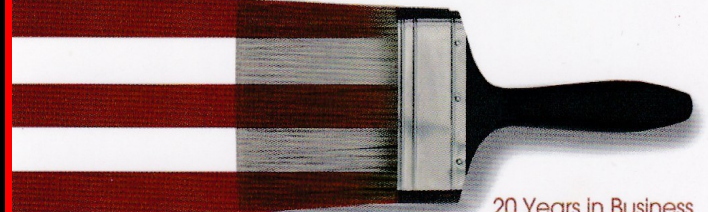


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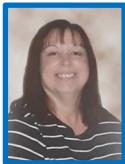


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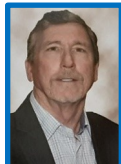
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