



Presidents Corner—Larry Britt

Greetings Walden Lake Residents!

It is my pleasure to be able to serve you as the President of your Community Association. The Board and I all have the best interests of the entire community in mind and are seeking to serve every resident in Walden Lake to the best of our ability.

I know there is tremendous concern over the proposed development of the former golf course property. We are remaining abreast of changes as they occur and will do our best to keep you informed. There are upcoming hearings scheduled with the Planning Board. When we receive the notice of exact days and times, we will distribute that information to the community. We would encourage any resident who is able to attend the meetings and voice your opinion regarding the development plans including the construction of apartments and commercial retail stores. We are all in this together and will weather this as a community.

If there is any way I can be of assistance to you as your President, you are welcome to email me at lbritt@wlcaboard.org or call me at (813)362-9600.



I would like to wish everyone in our community a safe and happy summer!

Thank you,
Larry Britt



LANDSCAPING UPDATE

The Landscaping Committee has been very active since the weather warmed up to enable more planting. We have been hampered somewhat by the dry spell, which paused the planting schedule.

- ◆ The marking of the pavement around the lake has been completed. This will allow identification of the location of any emergency by the police and fire rescue. 
- ◆ The Alexander entrance has been redesigned and replanted per the Master Plan. The Trapnell entrance is in the process of being rebuilt and replanted to be similar to the Alexander entrance.
- ◆ The parking lots of the parks have been resurfaced and repainted. The walking path along Clubhouse Drive near Eagle Green has been repaired and resurfaced.
- ◆ An arborist has trimmed the trees that our staff cannot reach in preparation for improving and redesigning the cul-de-sac islands. Our staff has done significant trimming of trees as well, which is ongoing. 

- ◆ Irrigation of the berm in front of the Sports Complex has been restored, and will utilize water from our well for cost savings. Irrigation repairs have been ongoing to the cul-de-sacs to allow replanting of grass or jasmine.

- ◆ Our office building has been repainted inside and out. Chair rail was installed in the meeting room. Mulch has been added to the landscape outside, which was reclaimed from tree trimming.

MEMORIAL DAY 2021

This wreath was placed at the Alexander Street entrance in Memory of those who sacrificed for us.



FOOD TRUCK FRIDAYS AND SUNDAYS WILL CONTINUE



Engine 53 Pizza

Friday, July 16th
4:00PM-8:00PM

Go to the Facebook page of each Food Truck Vendor to access their menu.

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Sunday, July 25th
11:00AM-8:00PM



JULY 4TH CELEBRATION

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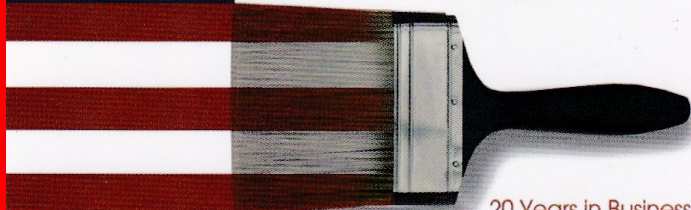
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CART TO CURB TRASH COLLECTION— UPDATE

In 2021, the City of Plant City's Solid Waste Department will launch an automated trash collection system called Cart-To-Curb. The current level of service will continue with twice-weekly trash collection, once-a-week recycling and yard waste collection, and bulk items collected as needed. The monthly fee is determined by cart size and is in line with or lower than the current monthly fee. Carts for the new automated trash system will be delivered to

Phase 1 households, which includes Walden Lake, at the end of July. The automated system will begin service in August 2021 for Phase 1 households including Walden Lake. To learn more about the new automated trash collection system, visit:

www.PlantCityGov.com/MyCart.



Container Size	Dimensions (H x W x D)	Capacity
35 Gallon Container	H 37.5", W 18.5", D 24.5"	Holds approx. three 13 gal. trash bags.
65 Gallon Container	H 40.5", W 26.7", D 28.11"	Holds approx. six 13 gal. trash bags.
95 Gallon Container	H 43.5", W 29.2", D 33.3"	Holds approx. ten 13 gal. trash bags.

When will I pick my size? - *The time to choose your cart size ended on May 14th for Phase 1 residents which included Walden Lake.*

If I haven't picked my size what will I get? - *The City will provide the cart closest to your current monthly rate. A 95-gallon cart will be provided for those paying \$28.03 or a 35 gallon cart for those paying \$22.98. Residents on a senior plan will receive a 35-gallon cart unless they requested a different size.*

Can I trade my cart for a different size if it is too large/small? *Yes, after September 30th you can contact the City's Billing Department at (813) 659-4222 to request a different size.*

How do I know if I am on a Senior Plan? *Check your current utility bill from the City. The senior rate for Solid Waste service is \$22.98. If you cannot find this, please contact the City's Billing Department at (813) 659-4222 for assistance.*

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Cereal, Ramen Noodles

SpaghettiOs, soups

You may drop these items off at the WLCA Office, Monday thru Friday, 8:30AM-5:00PM and we will make sure they get to the Food Bank to help the kids this summer.

As always, your donations are very much appreciated.



MIND YOUR MANNERS

3 Tips for Dog Park Etiquette

By Carol Weathersbee



Our Walden Lake Dog Park is a popular place where our canine pals can freely run and play together. As pet parents, it is our responsibility to exercise good manners as an expression of respect for our park and for one another.

Here are a few essential tips for ensuring that our park remains a clean, safe, and friendly environment.

1. **Pick Up The Poop:** Watch for it! You know it's going to happen! Keep your eyes on your pet and be ready to pick up your dog's poop. Poop bags and trash bins are conveniently located in the center of each field. It's not only courteous but also sanitary and environmentally friendly.
2. **Fill It Up:** To cool down, many dogs will dig to unearth damp soil for a comfortable spot to rest. To discourage other dogs from digging the hole deeper, be a good park pal and fill in these holes! Barrels of dirt are conveniently located on each side of the park for this very purpose.
3. **Residents Only:** For the safety of you and your pets, the dog park is available to Walden Lake residents only. Annual memberships can be purchased at the HOA office. You must provide proof of your pet's registration and current shot records. Allowing non-members entry inside the park is a safety hazard and liability risk for our pets and their owners.

Make a conscious choice to exercise good manners. After all, good manners become good habits. And good habits lead to good times for all if we choose to mind our manners and show respect for our fellow pet pals.



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WALDEN LAKE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION (WLCA) 2021/2022 OPERATING PLAN (COMMITTEES)

BUDGET, FINANCE, & JOB DESCRIPTIONS:

Chairman—Ellen Sisco, Ray Page, Alicia Powell

Purpose: To be the Board's lead in management of Association funds.

LANDSCAPING: Chairman—Ray Page, Alicia Powell, Ellen Sisco: Resident @ Large, Jan Griffin

Purpose: To oversee maintenance of all Walden Lake common areas.

BYLAWS, POLICY AND PROCEDURES:

Chairman—Alicia Powell, Sharon Philbin, Ellen Sisco

Purpose: Developed required Policies supporting WLCA operations.

NOMINATING AND ELECTION RULES: Chairman—Mono Soltau, Ray Page, Ellen Sisco

Purpose: To ensure elections of directors are in accordance with WLCA documents.

PLANNING, RESERVE PLAN, & PHYSICAL PLANT, CONTRACTS: Chairman—Ellen Sisco, Ray Page, Alicia Powell

Purpose: To review reserve plan and contracts for completeness and cost effectiveness.

COMMUNICATIONS: Chairman—Sharon Philbin, Keith Carlough, Mona Soltau

Purpose: To assist with newsletter and website content.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & SAFETY: Chairman—Chairman-Keith Carlough, Ray Page

Purpose: To represent Walden Lake homeowners with other members of the community that impact Walden Lake interests.

SPECIAL EVENTS: Chairman—Alicia Powell, Mona Soltau,

Purpose: To assist with any events scheduled and conducted for the residents in the Community.

SPORTS COMPLEX COMMITTEE:

Ray Page, Alicia Powell

Purpose: To assist with improving and maintaining the Sports Complex amenities.

DEVELOPMENT & ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Chairman-Blake Meinecke, Keith Carlough

The President serves as Ex Officio (non voting) member on all the Committees.



DUES REMINDER

The 2nd half of WLCA maintenance fees are due July 1st. If you have not received your statement (mailed out the end of May) or have any questions regarding your account, please contact Tracy Preston at Greenacre Properties @813-600-1100 or email: tpreston@greenacre.com. If you paid your dues in full in January and did receive a statement, please disregard it.

If you are unable to pay your dues by July 31, 2021, contact the WLCA office immediately @ 813-754-8999. We will make every effort to work with you on a payment plan.

WIN \$25 CASH

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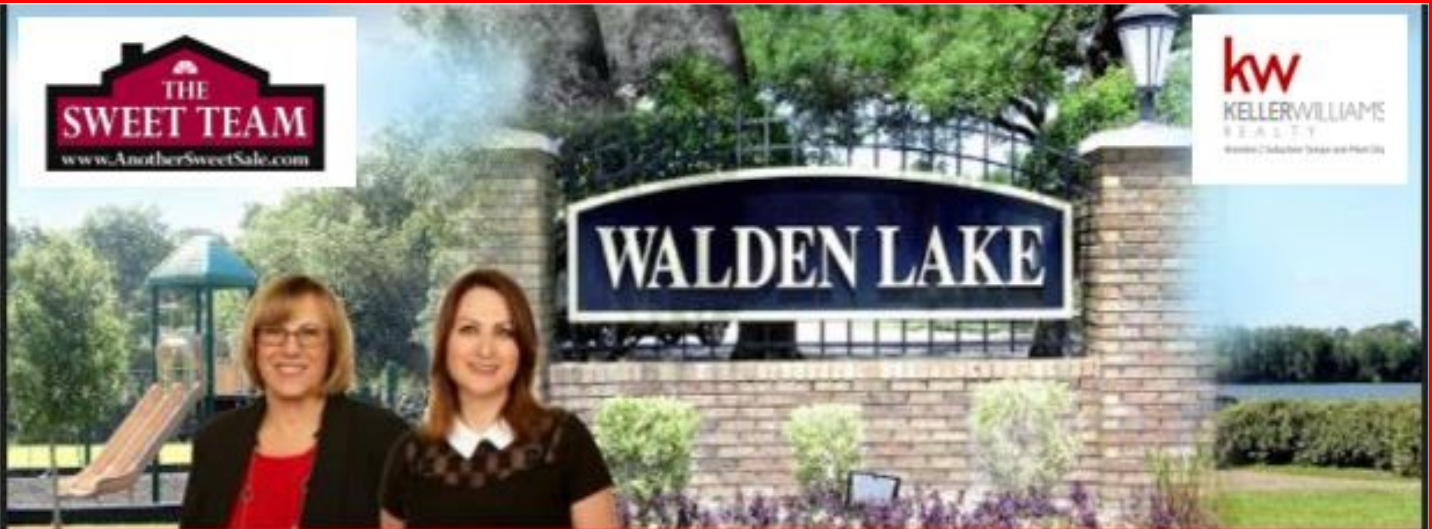
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POOL SAFETY FOR CHILDREN

When most of us are enjoying time at the pool or beach, injuries aren't the first thing on our minds. Yet, drownings are a leading cause of injury death for young children ages 1 to 14, and three children die every day as a result of drowning. In fact, drowning kills more children 1-4 than anything else except birth defects.

Center for Disease Control

- Never leave a child unattended in or near water.
- Assign a 'water watcher' to keep track of children .
- Ensure all pools and spas-both in your backyard and any public pool you might visit-have compliant drain covers.
- Teach children to stay away from drains
- Install proper barriers, locks and alarms on and around your pool.
- Teach children how to swim.
- Know how to perform CPR on children and adults

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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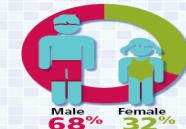
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LOCATION OF DROWNING DEATHS

74% of deaths of children younger than 15 years old occurred at a residence.



Drowning Deaths for Children 0-14 Years Old



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