



Newsletter

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Walden Lake Community Association

Summer 2022

PRESIDENTS CORNER-MICHELLE PICCARI

I hope everyone has been safe and healthy this past year. Since our Spring Newsletter new Officers and Directors were elected to the Board of Directors. The new Directors are Bobby Blizzard, Scott Collins, and Jason Parrillo.

I would like to thank our last President, Alicia Powell, for her years of service as well as the exiting Directors/Officers Sharon Philbin and Peter Murphy. Their dedication to our community has been unmatched. Below are your newly elected officers:

President – Michelle Piccari	Vice President—Scott Collins
Treasurer—Ellen Sisco	Secretary—Mona Soltau

It is my honor to serve our Community and I believe the Board of Directors we currently have in place can help provide a safe, livable, and enjoyable community for all.

As you may know, we have contracted Greenacre Properties as our management company once again. The transition overall has been exceptionally smooth, and we look forward to a long-lasting relationship. We also have a new Manager, Amber Nelson. She comes to us with a great deal of experience and expertise that has already made a difference. I want to welcome her to our family and let her know that we will give her the support she needs to be successful in our community. Welcome Amber!

We continue to refurbish all the cul-de-sacs in each of the neighborhoods as well as the entrances.

Wishing everyone an enjoyable Summer and look forward to seeing you at our next HOA meeting on June 20th!

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE

After a two-year hiatus, Norman McLeod American Legion Post #26 of Plant City resumed hosting Plant City's Annual Memorial Day Ceremony. They honor the MIAs and POWs with a moment of silence. It is a time to reflect and remember. They also celebrate the lives of the former service men and women from the Plant City area who have passed away this year. There is always a featured speaker with an inspirational message. WLCA has made it a tradition to participate in the day's event. This year WLCA Directors Jason Parrillo and Ray Page, represented Walden Lake and presented a floral spray in honor of all of the men and women that served. The floral spray was then set out at the front entrance of the community for all to enjoy. We sincerely appreciate our military and find this a very small respectful way to honor them.

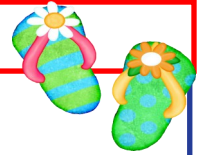
Jason Parrillo
And
Ray Page



MEET YOUR NEW COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MANAGER



We are pleased to announce that Amber Nelson is your new Community Association Manager as of April 4th, 2022. Amber is a farm-raised native of Minnesota. She prides herself most on being the best possible mother to three children. Amber has been a skilled Community Manager since 2011 and takes great pride in the value she places on her work and the relationships she maintains with residents and vendors in the community. She has served as a General Manager for both large-scale HOA's and large-scale lifestyle community associations. She offers knowledge in budgeting, landscaping, and vendor contract negotiations to offer her associations the best quality of service. Amber was recently employed with First Service Residential as the General Manager for Valencia Lakes in Wimauma FL and was the GM for a self-managed large-scale community in Richmond Virginia. She has obtained the CMCA and AMS certifications and is working towards her PCAM certification through CAI (Community Associations Institute) where she is also an active member. Amber is excited to build a career with Greenacre Properties and serve the Walden Lake community



AUTOMATED TRASH COLLECTION REMINDERS

- Residents are reminded to have their automated trash cart at the curb for collection by **6am Monday/Thursday**, and recycling at the curb by 6am on Thursday.
- Garbage must be inside the garbage cart with the lid down. No bags or loose trash shall be placed on or around the garbage cart.
- Only household garbage should be placed in cart. Recycling, yard debris, construction material, and bulk items shall be kept separate from garbage.
- Leave 3 feet between each garbage cart and any other container or other object such as a vehicle, fence, fire hydrant, or mailbox and not under power lines or by power poles. Carts

and items placed out for collection too close to vehicles, mailboxes, poles, etc. will not be serviced.

- Cart must be positioned with arrows on lid pointing to street.
- Cart must be within 6 feet from the curb or edge of pavement.
- Cart must be in area fronting the customer's property.

****Yard waste or bulky items that cannot be serviced by hand will require a special pickup with a claw "grabber" truck.***



YARD DEBRIS INFORMATION:

Avoid stacking debris by utility poles, under power lines, on top of water meters or other water connections, by fire hydrants or vehicles, next to mailboxes or fences, or on storm drains.

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When you have a large amount of tree trimmings, hedges or other debris, **DO NOT** dispose of the cuttings in the common areas. The City will

not pick this this up! Here is what you do:

- Yard debris such as leaves and grass clippings should be placed in plastic bags or containers not to exceed 40 pounds, 5 inches in diameter of 5 feet in length and shall be tied and bundled.
- Set out no later than 6am on the day of pick-up.

Place at the front of the property between the curb and right-of way.

- Bulk yard debris in excess of 40 pounds, 5 inches in diameter, or 5 feet in length will require a specialized grabber truck.

Call **813-659-4222** to schedule pick-up.

One free load of yard debris per 12-month period is allowed per residence.

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BUDGET, FINANCE, & JOB DESCRIPTIONS COMMITTEE (Chairman— Ellen Sisco, Ray Page)

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

LANDSCAPING COMMITTEE (Chairman—Ray Page, Ellen Sisco, Residents @ Large Jan Griffin and Alicia Powell)

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

BYLAWS, POLICY AND PROCEDURES COMMITTEE (Chairman—Jason Parrillo, Scott Collins, Ray Page)

Purpose: Developed required Policies supporting WLCA operations.

PLANNING, RESERVE PLAN & PHYSICAL PLANT, CONTRACTS COMMITTEE (Chairman—Jason Parrillo, Scott Collins, Ray Page)

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

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE (Chairman—Mona Soltau, Bobby Blizzard, Jason Parrillo)

Purpose: Assist with newsletter and website.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & SAFETY COMMITTEE (Chairman—Keith Carlough, Scott Collins, Ray Page.)

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

SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE (Chairman—Mona Soltau, Ray Page)

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

DEVELOPMENT & ADVISORY COMMITTEE (Chairman—Scott Collins, Ray Page, Jason Parrillo)

The President serves as Ex Officio (nonvoting) on all the Committees thus no more than 3 are on each.

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GOLF CARTS AND KIDS

With kids out of school and looking for adventure, the golf cart is always a temptation.

The American Academy of Pediatrics urges parents to put the safety of their children first when children ride on golf carts and only allow licensed drivers behind the wheel.



Injury rates from golf carts are more than two times higher in children than adults according to recent studies.

WLCA Golf Cart Policy adheres to City Ordinances when operating a cart on community property.

A Review of the rules and Plant City Ordinance 70-34 concerning golf carts in Walden Lake :

1. Never drive recklessly or joy ride. Drive courteously. Obey all vehicle traffic laws and rules of the road.
2. Never drive intoxicated or under the influence of any drug or narcotic.
3. Avoid distractions while operating the golf cart just as you would in an automobile. Be safe and attentive -- avoid talking, texting, or reading while driving, reaching for objects, applying makeup, or eating.

4. Per City of Plant City Ordinance Sec. 70-34:
Operation of golf carts on certain designated streets. A golf cart can be used during the hours between sunrise and sunset on designated streets.

A golf cart permitted on city streets must be equipped with efficient brakes, reliable steering apparatus, safe tires, a rear-view mirror, and red reflectorized warning devices in both the front and rear.

A golf cart may only be operated on the city streets by a person with a valid driver's license.

5. No motorized vehicles on the trails.
6. If you see a violation call the Plant City Police at 813-757-9200.



FISHING RULES



Summer and fishing go together like ham and eggs. Unfortunately for those who like to dunk a worm under a shade tree, there is very limited legal fishing in Walden Lake.

Here are the rules:

- **Walden Lake:** This is the only legal place for all residents to fish.
- Fishing is only allowed for Walden Lake residents.
- **Retention Ponds:** Residents who own property on the pond and any permitted guests of the resident may fish on the pond from the resident's property only.



- No person shall trespass on any lot or parcel to fish.

- The water from the lake and or ponds may contain chemicals from water runoff. No one shall consume or ingest or allow another person or animal to consume or ingest anything caught within the water bodies.

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FOOD BANK—IN DIRE NEED DONATIONS NEEDED FOR KIDS

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- PEANUT BUTTER AND JELLY
- CEREAL, RAMEN NOODLES
- SPAGHETTIO'S
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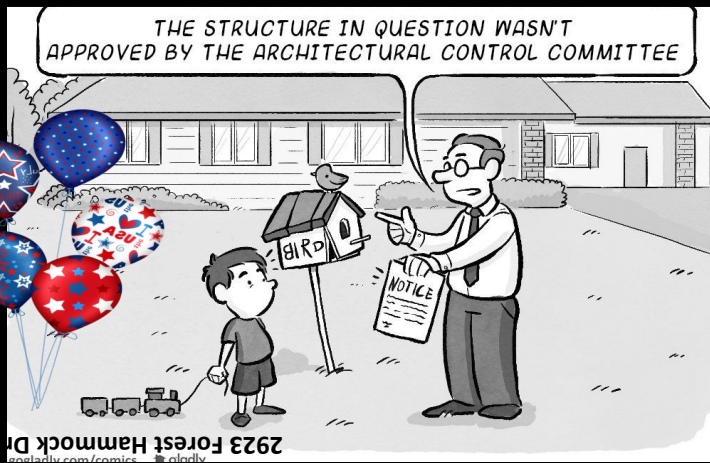
Please bring these items to the WLCA Office and we will make sure they get to the Food Bank to help the kids this summer.



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If you are unable to pay your dues by July 31, 2022, please contact our office immediately @813-754-8999. We will make every effort to work with you on a payment plan.

BE THOUGHTFUL OF YOUR NEIGHBORS



SCOOP THE POOP

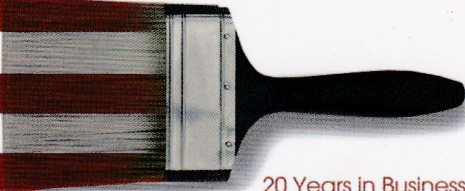


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Amber Nelson	Manager
Bette Guarino	Administrative Assistant
Marlene Merrin	Community Administrator

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Scott Collins	Vice President
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