



The Reserve at Tuscawilla

A BIG Thank You!!

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To all of the volunteers that make The Reserve at Tuscawilla the wonderful neighborhood that it is. Mark Queen and Diane Nikles stepped down, while Tom Wilmers, Dennis Nikles and Karen Pontell have stepped up. Donna-lee Brownfield, Sarita Forbes, Denise Ritchey and Susan Vickers will continue to serve on the board, looking after the best interests of our community.

If you have problems or issues in the neighborhood, your FIRST call should be to the Property Manager, Diana McCreight.

Neighborhood Watch News

A Neighborhood Watch program was started in August. This is an organized program to look out for our neighbors and the community as a whole. Approximately 20 neighbors attended a meeting with Corp. Allison Smith, WSPD, who made a presentation and answered many questions. The WSPD wants you to call them at any time, day or night, to report any suspicious/dangerous activity. The WSPD non-emergency number is 407-327-1000. AFTER you call the Winter Springs Police Dept., please notify one of your block captains as follows: Phase I – Sondra Cownie, Belinda Kleinknecht, and Mark Queen and Phase II – Cathy Dlugokinski, Ernie Izzo, and Cindy Wilmers.

Also, a reminder that the WSPD will assign officers to check your home and surroundings a couple of times per day when you are out of town. Stop in at the police station to fill out the request form.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 407-366-7046 or vickers204@cfl.rr.com.

Susan Vickers, Coordinator
Neighborhood Watch Program



ARB Report

It is that time of year where our rain tapers off and we need to address pressure washing our sidewalks and driveways. The management co. has begun sighting for this, but I asked that they hold off until a general reminder went out in the newsletter. Some sidewalks under trees are particularly slippery when wet from irrigation and covered in mildew, so it is important that we get this done. If we could also pay attention to the curb in front of our house, that also becomes very black from the mildew. Please, from time to time, check that your landscape company is not dropping oil from their trucks onto the pavement in front of your house each week. I have noticed some responsible companies in other neighborhoods throwing a sheet of cardboard under their trucks while parked. Some Associations require this. Normal pressure washing does not remove this without first applying a commercial grease cutting agent.

Many neighbors are having issues with tree roots uplifting sections of their sidewalks on both sides of the Reserve. These sections can be lifted, if not broken, and the root can be planed by a certified arborist and then the section of concrete is set back into place. This is done in Cityscapes where tree roots surface over time. Sometimes a new pad is formed around the tree root and each case is different. Preserving our established street trees is important, but at the same time in doing this, we have to also look to safety of lifted sidewalks and liability. Several neighbors already have cracked or broken out places in sidewalks having no tree issue. These are equally a stumbling hazzard. This can happen over time from heavy lawn equipment, etc. For all residents who may be having any sidewalk issue, please send me an email and I will be happy to compile names. We can then look into a group rate for the concrete work and/or the work of an Arborist. Each homeowner is responsible for their own sidewalk and driveway. It is not the Association's responsibility for repair or replacement.

Reminder that an ARB form is required for repainting, relandscaping or any exterior change done within view of the street. We do not need ARB forms for landscaping within pool screens or paverbricking within this same area. Forms can be printed off of our website when needed at www.reserveattuscawilla.com.

Denise Ritchey

Some Basic Reminders

Bright House made an unannounced move of Channel 98 (the view to the entrance of our neighborhoods). IF you are a DIGITAL cable customer, you can now view the Front Gate on channel 701. Non-Digital customers remain the same, with the Front Gate on Channel 98.

Dogs in the neighborhood MUST be on a leash and owners must pick up after their dogs. We get a complaint or two a week from residents upset about someone's dog going to the bathroom on their lawn and the dog's owner not picking it up or just letting their dogs run loose, unmonitored.

Street Parking is NOT allowed by the City of Winter Springs within Tuscawilla and also by The Reserve's covenants within The Reserve. Parking in the street overnight could lead to a Winter Springs ticket or towing at the owner's expense. Please park all vehicles in your driveway, or better yet, in your garage!!

With holiday parties around the corner, please be mindful of parking on the streets. When cars are parked up on BOTH sides of the street, it's often very difficult for traffic to get through. You should ask your guests to park on one side or the other. They may have to park a few doors down, but the short walk is better than coming out of the party to find their car has been side-swiped.

It's also a good idea to drive SLOWLY through the neighborhood, not just at the holidays, but all year round. This is just common sense Our streets are very curvy and you never know when an animal or small child may dart out in to the street. Parents, you should also remind your children to LOOK before crossing the street!!!

Internet Safety Class for Parents

December 16, 2008 7-9 pm
WS Police Station
300 N. Moss Road
Winter Springs, FL

To sign up, call Cpt. Brunelle 407-327-7974
or email: kbrunelle@winterspringsfl.org

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Reserve Rendezvous

On Saturday, October 28, our community sponsored the Reserve Rendezvous, a chance for new and established neighbors to meet and get to know each other. The party was hosted by Lee and Susan Vickers and organized by the social committee, who did a fantastic job. There were 42 neighbors in attendance, all who seemed to have a great time; there was even dancing and singing until the late night! Hopefully, this will become an annual October event for our community. Many thanks to our guitarist, Chuck Kleinknecht, our karaoke manager, Scot Aurelius, and our social committee who organized a warm and wonderful gathering of neighbors.

NEIGHBORHOOD DISCUSSION

The Board is currently in discussion about changing the gate codes more frequently. This will not effect your private code, but the codes that are given to vendors that frequent our neighborhood. If you have any thoughts on this matter, attend the next board meeting or email a board member at their address shown on the first page of this newsletter.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next board meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 20th at 7:00pm. Look on the Message Boards as you exit your neighborhood for any changes or updates.

Many thanks to the Message Board Fairies for keeping us all informed!!!

Lighting up Tuscawilla with Luminaria

32 years ago, Tuscawilla Pioneer Garden Club introduced the "tradition" of "Lighting up Tuscawilla with Luminaria" on Christmas Eve. It all begins at dusk by placing Luminaria along your home's sidewalk to form a continuous line of friendship down your block and around the community. It is a truly beautiful sight to behold.

If you are interested in purchasing lumanaria kits from the Tuscawilla Pioneer Garden Club, you may do so by contacting any of the following:

Helen Baker	407-359-8242
Mary Brook	407-365-4890
Marcia Keesee	407-359-2214
Joan Terry	407-359-7781
Crystal Watson	407-977-8545

Each kit contains supplies for 10 lumanaria - long burning (8 hour) votive candles, white paper bags and paper cups, and sells for \$5.00 per kit.

CLASSIFIEDS

Erin O'Shea, 16, and Meghan O'Shea, 14, are both available for babysitting AND petsitting. 407-359-6274

Need a petsitter or babysitter?? Lauren Cownie 19, 407-267-1552 or Haley Cownie, 17, 407-463-5449. Both are experienced and have references.

Have a safe holiday season!!

Becki Long
Newsletter Editor

