

Ocean Resorts Island Times

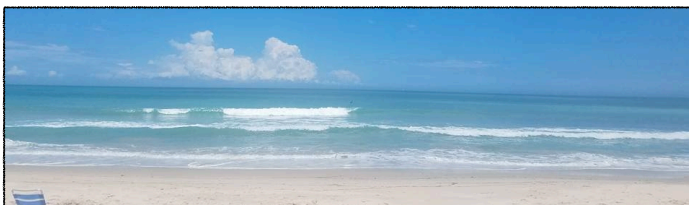
October, 2019

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MANAGER'S REPORT by Donna Perez

I hope everyone is doing well. It has been a warm summer here in Florida. I hope no one was affected by Hurricane Dorian. We have certainly been lucky here in Florida this hurricane season. I must say with the scare of Dorian that everyone here in Ocean Resorts worked together and we were ready for the worst. We are still in Hurricane season so please abide by By-Law 11.3.i Tie Downs. The end of season is typically the busiest time for tropical storms and hurricanes to develop so please stay vigilant.

As most of you know, the Clubhouse is still currently closed due to construction. There were a few weeks where there was a lack of work. This issue has been addressed and work has resumed. I ask that if you have a question or a comment on anything you see up there that you come to the office and not disturb the workers. This project has been a long process and has required a lot of patience on all ends. Crossing our fingers that the end is near.



The garbage truck has been sent to Stamm for the switch over to the new chassis. We have asked that you please take your trash down to the open top dumpster in storage. If you are unable to do so, please call the office and we will arrange to have maintenance come by in the golf carts and get it. Once the truck is back trash and recycling will resume back to the normal schedule.

Brush is picked up by our landscapers every Friday, please place the brush on the corner of your driveway and not in the grass. The landscapers pick it up as they exit the park.

Just a few reminders, please be considerate of your neighbors. Quiet hours are between 10pm and 7am. Pets are to be on a leash of 6 feet or less at all times when outside and are not permitted in common area buildings unless they are a service animal. The speed limit in the park is 10 mph at all times.

If anyone would like to be added to my blast email contact list, either call the office or send us an email and we will add you so you will receive future blast emails.

I look forward to seeing everyone again as season is quickly approaching. Safe travels back to the Florida for all who are traveling.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT By David Comolli

Summer is over and hurricane season is nearing the end. All of us snow birds are thinking about and planning to return to Ocean Resorts. I would like to take this opportunity to commend our manager and her staff on hurricane Dorian preparation and continuous updates. I would also like to thank board member Bob Tobias who has done a great job on numerous issues to hold down the fort.

As I stated at the last Board meeting, this board, as with previous boards', our main job is to oversee and solve problems. The Club House is making slow progress. We are attempting to deal with the contractor on a personal basis rather than take harsh actions which could bring the project to a complete stop for a period of time.

The garbage truck is in the process of being replaced for safety reasons (continuous stalling for six months). As most of you are aware our infrastructure at O. R. is old and constantly in need of maintenance. At the present time ground water is infiltrating our sewer system. We are soliciting bids for an engineering firm to oversee the project, which could be costly.

We know there are more concerns and issues and will be addressing them in the upcoming months. Thank you for your patience and support.

“Until we meet again”



BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE By Mary Dombro

Please keep the following dates in mind for the upcoming Christmas holiday:

Decorating the park: Saturday, November 30, 2019, beginning at 9:00 a.m. All may help with this activity. Look for details posted on the outside post office bulletin board under “BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE.”

Light-Up Night: Sunday, December 1, 2019. Please meet outside the post office at 6:00 p.m. Details will be posted.

BOCCE

By Mary Dombro and Luxy LeClair

Looking for an easy, outdoor activity to play this upcoming season? Not too far away are bocce courts, located east of the pool. Whether you are a devoted player or new to this sport, all are welcome. Both shareholders and renters may sign up for this consecutive, nine-week activity. Bocce days are on Mondays and Wednesdays; or you may sign up for both days if you wish. The season begins on Monday, January 13, 2020 and ends on Wednesday, March 11, 2020. A pizza gathering will be held on Monday, March 16, 2020.

Bocce teams consist of four players. If you do not have a team, please still sign up. We will put you with other interested players who may be in a similar situation. Look for a sign-up sheet, which will be posted inside the post office, on a clipboard, the second week of December. A poster, indicating the sign-up sheet is ready, will be displayed on the outside post office bulletin board under “BOCCE.” ROLL ON!!!!!!

POOL COMMITTEE By Sue Ertel

Where did the summer go? We will be packing up in a few weeks to head south to OR. As soon as I get back, I will be posting the Pool Volunteer Sign-up sheet in the post office. If you are looking to volunteer, please sign up to join the Ocean Resorts Pool Committee. Once winter arrives and the temperatures drop below 65 degrees, our volunteers cover the pool at the end of the day. If you are interested, please either sign the sheet or text me at

716-652-9583. Thanks so much and see you soon!



TRASH/ RECYCLING By Joe Harding

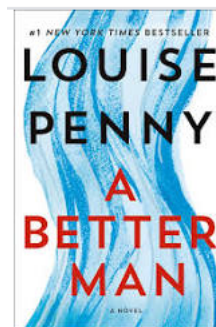
Hello All! The volunteers and most shareholder's know we had many break downs and issues with our garbage truck starting back in February. Thanks to Donna, staff and many volunteers that have been able to provide service to all of us the best way possible.

The Board authorized purchase of a new truck chassis. The new chassis has been delivered and is at Stamm Manufacturing, Ft Pierce, where the compactor will be removed from the old and installed onto the new chassis! Donna has worked out a schedule for the truck to be back in service at O.R around October 30, 2019. Myself and the volunteers appreciate all that Donna and staff did while working through this and providing service to all! May we all enjoy another season at O.R.

MAHJONG By Nancy Wilder

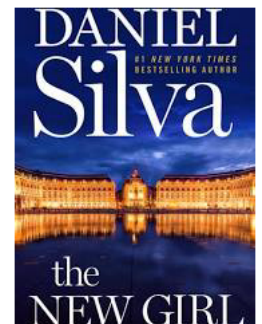
Hopefully this season we will be able to continue at least two organized days for OR mahjong. Wednesday afternoon is popular and there is usually a weeknight evening set aside for play. Schedules will be posted soon!

THE JOY OF READING By Nancy Wilder



New books abound this season. I am currently reading A Better Man, by Louise Penny. It's a continuation of her Quebec series about Chief Inspector Gamache. These books can stand alone and are an excellent read, but to follow the series is a joy.

I am also looking forward to reading Daniel Silva's latest book, The New Girl. David Silva is the author of twenty one thriller and espionage novels. His lead character is Gabriel Allon, the legionary chief of Israeli intelligence. Clear your day and hold on to your seat when you read one of his books, they are very difficult to put down!



Its a windy cloudy day as I write this and I think its a perfect time for a cup of tea and a return to my book. Enjoy your day!

YOGA by Nancy Wilder - I will be setting up Yoga schedules in October and will post schedules soon.



NEW STAFF - MARIA GOMEZ

We are sure that you have probably already met, or at least talked with on the phone, our wonderful new Administrative Assistant, Maria Gomez, Maria joins Donna and Luann in the office to make all of our lives easier!!

Maria is originally from Mexico but now resides in Fort Pierce with her husband, Ruben, and their two children. Maria used to work at Publix with Donna before she came to work at OR.

Maria loves her new job at Ocean Resorts, with a better schedule for her family and an office looking out over the ocean. She is looking forward to putting names to faces as shareholders return to Ocean Resorts over the next couple of months. Stop in a say 'hello'!!

LET'S EAT OUT & DAY TRIPPING

By Sharon English

MARSH LANDING RESTAURANT

44N. Broadway Street, Fellsmere, FL 32948
772-571-8622. Hours: Daily 7AM -9PM



Take a 45 minute ride from Ocean Resorts and immerse yourself in old Florida history, atmosphere and cuisine, in the charming MARSH LANDING RESTAURANT. The restaurant is located in the beautifully restored Fellsmere Estates Building dating back to 1926. I highly recommend reading the website www.marshlandingrestaurant.com for photos, history of the building and of the family who owns and operates it.

We have been there several times and enjoyed Southern comfort dishes: fried chicken, fried catfish, fried green tomatoes, liver and onions, and swamp cabbage. Don't miss the cornbread - best I've ever had! Marsh Landing also has Blue Grass Nights on Thursday and Friday from 6:30-8:30PM. Reservations are recommended. Please call to check availability.

FELLSMERE FROG LEG FESTIVAL!!

Fellsmere has the world's largest Frog Leg Festival every January. This year the festival will be held on January 16-19, 2020. Enjoy fried frog legs, gator bites, homemade crafts, carnival rides, and a beverage truck. The festival is on 22 South Orange St. Fellsmere, FL 32948.

THANK YOU!! The newsletter staff would like to extend our thanks to both Ferdie and Cathy Bruckler for their many years of service to Ocean Resorts' Marina and Social Events Committees. As most of you know, Ferdie passed away in August and Cathy has decided to resign as Chairperson of the Social Events Committee. THANKS FOR ALL OF YOUR HARD WORK.

Donna Comolli is now the chairperson for the Social Events Committee and is looking for volunteers to help out with the upcoming events (Western Dance in January, Pot Luck in February, and Luau in March)



OCEAN RESORTS TENNIS SEASON 2020 By Gary Gardiner

Welcome to another fun filled season of tennis at Ocean Resorts! Our programs will begin the first of January and are open to all levels of tennis, Open Round Robin for all levels is held every evening at 5:00-6:00. No sign up necessary...just come with a racket and enjoy!

Ladies: Morning Tennis is at 9-10 a.m. and 11-noon Monday - Friday
Contact Cathy Moon - jimoon@aol.com or 772-465-2814 if interested in playing.

Ladies' Afternoon Tennis is 4-5p.m. Monday - Friday
Contact Jean Lockerby – clockrby@comcast.net or 410-207-6487

Men's Morning Tennis is 8-9 a.m. and 10-11 Monday - Friday
Contact Marie Glover - mculver524@gmail.com or 231-327-2282

Men's Afternoon Tennis is 3-4 p.m. Monday - Friday
If anyone is interested, a sign up sheet will be at the tennis courts.

Lessons for beginners and intermediates will be held again this year with Bob Obidinski, Dean Rayle and Evertt Ekland. Days and dates will be announced later.

Tentative Dates for special events are:

Mixed Doubles Tournament: January 25 & 26

Blue & Red Team Tournament: Feb. 14, 15, and 21 (at night)

Pancake Breakfast: Feb. 19

Men's and Ladies Doubles Tournament: TBA

End of the Season Party: March 14th The theme this year is High School Prom. The event will be coordinated by Jan and John Sheehan and held at the Irish American Club in Vero. We are hoping, like in the past, that many will volunteer to assist them! If you'd be willing to help in any way please contact either of them. Nan92551@msn.com or 712-490-6728. This is always a fun time!!! Put your thinking caps on for great costumes, gowns, tuxes etc. and decorations!

We're looking forward to another great season of tennis !

Gary Gardiner (President) ggardiner11@yahoo.com 401-465-2199

V. President: Bob Tobias, Sec.: Cathy Moon, Treas.: Marie Glover, Bd. Liaison-Bob Fusco

MEDITATION AND MINDFULNESS by Nancy Wilder

I found this recently and I thought how useful for these challenging times. It's easier to respond to whatever the day may bring in a more balanced and open minded way if you spend a few minutes centering yourself. Let your belly soften, and take three gentle breaths into it. Then put your hands on the center of your chest. Inhale slowly and imagine breathing in from the bottom of your feet through the top of your head and into your heart. Exhale and feel your ribs soften downward under your hands. After a few repetitions ask yourself, "How do I want to respond to people and situations today?" Keep breathing this way for one to three minutes and notice a feeling of centeredness, clarity or ease. We have so many reasons to be grateful.



ART IN THE PARK 2020 By Cibby Gardiner

Happy Autumn Everyone. I hope your summer was full of good memories, love, laughter and fun. We thank God we were spared the wrath of Dorian and pray for the folks that were affected by the hurricane.

I seem to say this after every season” Where did the time go? “. I feel like yesterday was June 1st and here it is October already! We have another great schedule for Art in the Park this year.. All are welcome, no talent necessary.... just a smile! It’s a wonderful opportunity to get to know other folks and enjoy fellowship with them.

A huge “THANK YOU!” to the volunteers who will be hosting and helping us get our creative juices flowing! We still have a few Tuesdays available if you’d like to share your time. If you’re a crafter, knitter, do flower arranging, painter, do glass creations, techie, photographer, writer, dancer etc. etc. please consider volunteering your talent to host a Tuesday and be part of this activity. Anyone want to do a Tuesday to teach line dancing or help us non-geeks with our techie challenges, or the basics of writing stories etc.? The possibilities are endless

Contact me at: cibbyg@aol.com or call: 401-465-7666, Karen Stampfli at kstampfli723@gmail.com or call:631-275-4566, Anita D’Ambrosio at smoochiemonga9@gmail.com or call: 772-466-0847

We will have a meeting in early January to explain more about the classes and what to expect, materials, cost etc. It will be open to all interested in attending Art in the Park. Watch for the date on the bulletin board.

ART IN THE PARK meets Tuesdays in the clubhouse from 10-noon.

- Jan. 07 - Cibby: shell/driftwood mermaids
- Jan.14 - Kathy Smith: TBA
- Jan. 21 - Anita D’Ambrosio: driftwood design key hanger
- Jan. 27 - Barb Reynolds: birdhouses
- Feb. 04 - Kathy Jankovic: magical magazine beads
- Feb. 11 - Ray Zwart: air planters?
- Feb.18 - Carol Thorne: driftwood sailboats
- Feb 25 - Kathy Jankovic: salt bath scrub in decorative jars
- Mar. 03 - Need someone
- Mar. 10 - Karen Stampfli/Anita D’Ambrosia: TBA
- Mar. 17 - Need someone
- Mar. 24 - Lona Sapoznika: mosaic jewelry holder
- Mar. 31 - Lona: finishing mosaics

OCEAN RESORTS "HAPPY HOUR" By Sharon English

Ocean Resorts "HAPPY HOUR" will continue throughout 2019 and into 2020. As usual, HAPPY HOUR will be held in the pavilion from 4-6 pm. It is a BYOB and an APPETIZER to share event. Happy Hour is usually on the last Thursday of each month but due to holidays it may vary. Look for the posters each month inside and outside the Post Office for information and updates.



All Ocean Resorts residents, renters and guests are welcome to meet up monthly for these fun, casual get togethers.

For more information call Sharon or Tom English 412-445-8209.



This year we are going to have a theme for each Happy Hour, as listed below:

Thursday, SEPTEMBER 26 - OKTOBERFEST

Thursday, OCTOBER 31 - HALLOWEEN

Thursday, NOVEMBER 21 - TEAM SPIRIT

(November 28 is Thanksgiving)

Tuesday, DECEMBER 31 - *NEW YEARS EVE PARTY 5-8 pm.*

Thursday, JANUARY 30 - POKER RUN/
Happy Hour to follow

Thursday, FEBRUARY 27 - MARDI GRAS

Thursday, MARCH 26 - BYE BYE BIRDIE (for
our Snow Birds)

Thursday, APRIL 30 - NATIONAL BUGS
BUNNY DAY- Bunny Hop



SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES 2019/2020 SEASON **(Prepared by Committee Chairpersons)**

***** PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS SCHEDULE IS PENDING AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE*****

NOV. 26 - BAKE SALE, FLEA MARKET, HOT DOG/HAMBURGER ROAST (Activities Committee)
NOV. 28 - THANKSGIVING POT LUCK DINNER (Activities Committee)
DEC. 07 - CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING PROGRAM (Beautification Committee)
DEC. 09 - LADIES CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON (Activities Committee)
DEC. 24 - CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY (Activities Committee)
DEC. 25 - CHRISTMAS POT LUCK DINNER (Activities Committee)
DEC. 31 - BONFIRE "ON THE BEACH" (Dave and Judy Smolarek)
JAN. 08 - FLEA MARKET, HOT DOG/HAMBURGER ROAST (Activities Committee)
JAN. 14 - CHILI BOWL (Activities Committee)
JAN. 18 - WESTERN DANCE (Social Events Committee)
JAN. 19 - "MEET THE CANDIDATES" (Election Committee)
JAN. 23 - SPAGHETTI DINNER (Marina Committee)
JAN. 25/26 - TENNIS TOURNAMENT: MIXED DOUBLES (Tennis Committee)
JAN. 30 - POKER RUN (Activities Committee)
FEB. 01 thru FEB. 28 - OCEAN RESORTS FISHING TOURNAMENT (Marina Committee)
FEB. 01 - ANNUAL SHAREHOLDERS MEETING & ELECTION
FEB. 09 thru FEB. 15 - "♥ OCEAN RESORTS WEEK"
FEB. 09 - ICE CREAM SOCIAL (Activities Committee)
FEB. 11 - "♥ OCEAN RESORTS WEEK" LUNCHEON (Activities Committee)
FEB. 12 - FLEA MARKET, HOT DOG/HAMBURGER ROAST (Activities Committee)
FEB. 14/15 - RED AND BLUE TEAM TOURNAMENT (Tennis Committee)
FEB. 19 - PANCAKE BREAKFAST (Tennis Committee)
FEB. 22 - POT LUCK DINNER (Social Events Committee)
FEB. 23 - ART SHOW AND SALE
FEB. 24 - FASHION SHOW: FASHIONS BY TIFFANY (Activities Committee)
MAR. 01 - FISHING TOURNAMENT AWARDS CEREMONY & HOT DOG ROAST (Marina Committee)
MAR. 11 - FLEA MARKET, HOT DOG/HAMBURGER ROAST (Activities Committee)
MAR. 17 - ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE 7 POT LUCK (Cibby Gardiner)
MAR. 21/22 - TENNIS TOURNAMENT: MEN'S & WOMEN'S DOUBLES (Tennis Committee)
MAR. 28 - LUAU (Social Events Committee)
APR. 11 - CHILDREN'S EASTER EGG HUNT (Activities Committee)
APR. 12 - EASTER SUNDAY SERVICE - ON THE BEACH

ALL EVENTS, DATES AND LOCATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

NOTE: CHECK POSTERS ON BULLETIN BOARDS FOR DATES AND TIMES OF ALL ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES PLANNED (BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS, ETC.)

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