

Keystone Connections

Connecting With Your Neighbors

Dear Homeowner,

Hello to all. Another school year has ended and we hope this newsletter finds all of us in good health and ready to enjoy another wonderful summer. Here's what's been happening in our community.

In March, Steve King from Rainmaker came to our board meeting and talked about grass in Florida. Three grass types are typically used: St. Augustine, Palmetto, and Empire Zoysia. We have very sandy soil that requires a lot of water. Proper fertilization and watering is key to maintaining healthy lawns. For sprinkler heads that spray he recommended watering for 30 minutes per zone and for rotor sprinkler heads he recommended watering for 45 minutes. Watering is most effective when done in the early morning hours. Over watering causes as much damage as too little water. He recommended one inch of water per week for sod planted in full sun. He also suggested mower blades should be between three and four inches and should be kept sharp to prevent damage to the sod.

All the sidewalks in the common areas have been pressure-washed and the County should have them shaved down so they are all even by the end of July.

There have been several complaints about men in pickup trucks stealing fish out of our ponds. If you see them, contact the Pinellas County Sheriff at 727-582-6200. Be sure to request a written report, otherwise, the Sheriff won't come out.

Have you recently received a letter regarding the storage of your garbage cans and/or recycling bins? All containers must be concealed from view by a fence, wall or landscaping. If your receptacles are currently stored on your driveway or are otherwise visible from the street, this is the perfect time to move them. Failure to comply can result in a violation notice.

Some of the mailbox posts are rotting and may need to be replaced. Since the original maker is no longer in business one homeowner did find a company that can custom make them to our exact standards at a reasonable rate. If you need to replace your existing mailbox, please contact Ameri-Tech for the name of the vendor.

We continue to have problems with people not cleaning up after their pets. Please be courteous and take care of this matter!

Last month we welcomed Dawn Bringe as our new property manager. Dawn has fifteen years of property management experience and has been a licensed manager since 2008.

Finally, Keystone Bluffs is almost twenty years old and we would like to evolve as a community but are greatly restricted because of our quorum rules. Maybe we can get the quorum changed, but it will require full participation from each of you. It is your obligation to participate in the annual meeting (which is required by law for us to conduct) either in person or by proxy. We need to remember that what we do as individuals affects our community as a whole. The more you participate, the more we can accomplish.

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“Hold yourself responsible for a higher standard than anybody expects of you. Never excuse yourself.”

Henry Ward Beecher

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