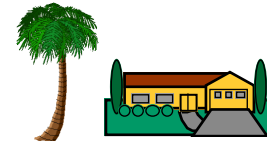




Cypress Isles News



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Welcome to Cypress Isles!

Go over and say, "Hi!"

Welcome to our new neighbors at --

726 Spring Island Way

600 Divine Circle



If we've missed anyone else who recently moved in, please let us know so we can mention you in our next newsletter.

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Sheriff to Residents: Lock your Vehicle!

This message from the Orange County Sheriff's Office would seem to be a no-brainer.

Sector 2, Zone 22, has recently seen an increase in auto burglaries to unlocked vehicles.

Please encourage our communities and residents to follow the below crime prevention tips:

- Remove all valuables from your vehicle (to include pocket change, charging cables, windshield mounts for phones and GPS, etc.).
- LOCK your vehicle.
- Remove spare keys and garage door remotes from your vehicle.
- Turn on your exterior lights at your residence (single family homes), ensure streetlights and building lights are operable (apartments and condominiums).
- Ensure that shrubbery is trimmed to 2ft. or lower around your home to deter concealment of suspicious persons.
- Call the non-emergency line at 407-836-HELP(4357) if suspicious persons or vehicles are observed.
- Call 9-1-1 if you observe a person attempting to or entering your vehicle without your permission.

...and

Concerned Neighbor to All Neighbors: Close your garage door!

An unattended open garage door is an invitation for a crime of opportunity. Don't be a victim of burglary due to an open garage door.

Annual Meeting May 21st

The **2019 Annual Members Meeting** will start at **7:00 pm** on **Tuesday May 21st** at the WLCA Community Building, 453 Mark Twain Boulevard. If we get a quorum (47 owners either in person or by proxy) we could have the first board member election since 2008.

We hope to see you at the meeting, but if you can't make it PLEASE fill out the blue proxy and return it by May 20th to the Secretary at 726 Divine Circle.

Meet Our New Manager

We bid a fond farewell to Bob Borg, our property manager since 2010. He retired on May 1st and will be sorely missed. We send him our best wishes for good health and happiness in his retirement.

Our interim manager is Ron Shipwash until a new manager is assigned. You can meet him at the Annual Meeting on May 21st. If you need to reach out to Ron by phone, his direct number is 407-455-5918.

Dennis Horazak, Secretary

Water Restrictions

No, they haven't gone away...



We are still under the same Orange County mandatory water restrictions that were implemented in 2008. As a reminder of what that means:

- Water only if necessary and not between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.
- Water in accordance with the following irrigation schedule:

Time of year	Homes with odd-numbered addresses	Homes with even-numbered addresses
Daylight Saving Time March 10, 2019 to November 2, 2019	Wednesday & Saturday	Thursday & Sunday
Standard Time November 3, 2019 to March 7, 2020	Saturday only	Sunday only

BOTTOM LINE:

NO WATERING on Monday, Tuesday, and Friday.

NO WATERING between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on your designated day, or ANY day.

Odd numbered houses (house number ends in 1, 3, 5, 7, 9) may water on Saturday all year, and also on Wednesday during Daylight Saving Time (March 10 – November 2, 2019)

Even numbered houses (house number ends in 0, 2, 4, 6, 8) may water on Sunday all year, and also on Thursday during Daylight Saving Time (March 10– November 2, 2019).

The exceptions to these rules are newly planted sod (30 days); and “watering in” fertilizer or chemicals within 24 hours of application, but still not between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Any questions? Ask the Orange County Water Division at (407) 254-9850, or visit their website at <http://www.occonservewater.net>

Weed Wars

Weed (wēd) 1. Noun - Plants you don't like that grow well in all conditions and crowd out the plants you'd rather have. 2. Verb – to spend time you'd rather spend on other things in a seemingly futile effort to eliminate weeds. 3. Nickname – [REDACTED] medicinal or recreational [REDACTED].

As our brief cool spells end and seeds start sprouting, now is the best time to get ahead of weeds. Ignoring them now results in difficult-to-eradicate patches and more seeds for next year.

Learn about weed types and weeding strategies from Mary Ann Pigora, UF/IFAS Extension Orange County Master Gardener Volunteer. Her blog article explains pre-emergent and post-emergent weed killers, which herbicides work on which weeds, the pros and cons of different kinds of mulch, and mulch, mulch more. (Sorry) Her article is on the Cypress Isles website at www.cypressisles.org > Stuff We've Learned > Weed Wars.

Crash Wall Restored

Fourteen months after the crash, the wall is back in service.

Around 1:45 a.m. Sunday March 4, 2018 a driver speeding home to Jade Forest lost control of his car and demolished the rear entrance wall on Spring Island Way. Board members Cookie Symons and Myron Davis went into action later that same morning; cleaning up the area; cordoning it off, turning off the power and irrigation water, and contacting our manager.

Things went more slowly after that. After all police reports were filed, repairs were estimated, and money was eventually collected from the driver's insurance company. With funds available, repairs started in July -- excavating the area, checking for foundation damage, erecting a new wall, restoring the irrigation lines, and replacing the signage.

Then it took several more months to find an electrician to reinstall electric service, and an additional two weeks for Duke Energy to connect us to their grid. When Duke Energy connected their grid to the wall on May 2, 2019, the wall replacement was complete.



Then



Now

Now the lights are on again at both entrances. Thanks to Cookie Symons for shepherding this project throughout the year; to Harold Engold for cleaning up the final mess after power was restored; and thanks to our residents for their patience.

Dennis Horazak, Field Reporter

Whatcha Gonna Click?



www.ocso.com - to report non-violent crimes online, such as lost property, theft, vandalism, and vehicle burglary, go to www.ocso.com > Crime Information > File Police Report. Read the instructions, scroll down and click on the type of incident, and fill out the form.

www.ocso.com - Double-click on "Property Crimes and Robberies in Your Zone" then scroll down and select Zone 22B to find out what types of crimes are occurring in your area.

www.cfcrimelinewarrants.com - to check individuals for warrants.

Duke Energy Streetlight Repair or Power Outage

www.progress-energy.com > Report an Outage >

A street light or area light needs repair > Request a light repair, then follow the prompts to point to the light pole on the map.

OR sign up for power outage alerts and notifications by text or voice message—free service offered by Duke Energy, but standard rates apply according to your text plan. Check with your mobile carrier.

<http://www.orangecountyfl.net/AnimalsPets/ascForm.aspx#.VNTxUMZ9tiU> - Animal Services complaint

Call OR CLICK before you dig (Sunshine Network)

www.call811.com

Who Ya Gonna Call?



WLCA Office 453 Mark Twain Blvd.

(answered 24/7) 407-380-3803

Orange County Sheriff's Office Non-emergency

407-836-HELP (4357)

Animal Control (unleashed pets, etc.)

311 – by CELL phones only,
or (407) 836-3111

Duke Energy - Report a power outage:

1-800-228-8485

Call before you dig (Sunshine Network)

811

Orange County 311--One Call For Almost Anything

311 – by CELL phones only
or (407) 836-3111

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Sandy Horazak, Editor



Happy Mother's Day - May 12th



Happy Father's Day - June 16th