





## **Cypress Isles News**

The official newsletter of the Cypress Isles Homeowners Association

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http://www.CypressIsles.org



## Welcome to Cypress Isles!

Go over and say, "Hi!"

Welcome to our new neighbors at:

511 Spring Island Way

\*\*\*\* 800 Spring Island Way

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

Sandy Horazak, Editor







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## **Holiday Lighting Contest December 21st**

No money, just fun!

The 14<sup>th</sup> annual Cypress Isles Holiday Lighting Contest will happen on Sunday December 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Anyone whose lights are on is automatically entered.



Again this year, we'll have awards in various categories, such as Most Enchanted, Most Original, and Most Joyful. Winners will be posted on our website shortly after the contest and published in the February 2015 *Cypress Isles News*.

## **No Cypress Isles Fee Increase 2015**

Some items went up while others went down to keeping quarterly fees the same as in 2014.

On September 16<sup>th</sup> the Cypress Isles board of directors approved a \$28,840 operating budget for 2015, keeping homeowner fees at \$51.50 per quarter. Budget wonks can see the complete budget under "Cypress Isles 2015 Budget."

The budget includes a new solar aerator for the ailing Cedarwood Pond to be purchased using funds in reserve accounts. Solar aeration is less expensive than electric aeration in both initial and annual costs. These reserve accounts will be repaid over time. Almost \$8,700 will remain in the reserves, which is expected to be sufficient for the foreseeable future.

**Use separate coupons for WLCA and Cypress Isles.** Each homeowner should receive two payment coupon books during December – one for Cypress Isles and the other for WLCA. Each payment (with its coupon) goes to a different address.

**Pay quarterly or all at once.** In both cases, you can either pay the first payment by January 1, or you can pay off the entire year at once and get it over with.

**Financials available in January.** Copies of the 2014 Financials will be available to all Cypress Isles homeowners after January 20, 2015. Just contact Bob Borg at bborg@community-mgmt.com or 407-455-5917 after January 20<sup>th</sup>.

Dennis Horazak, Secretary

## No WLCA Fee Increase 2015, Either

This is the third year in a row without an increase.

WLCA homeowners will see the same \$163.00 quarterly fees in 2015 as in 2014. Speaking at the September 24th Budget Workshop, WLCA Treasurer Emily Isip explained how WLCA

should be able to do everything as planned, including constructing a new building without a mortgage or any increase in quarterly fees.

The new building will include WLCA staff offices as well as some badly needed meeting space for neighborhood HOAs. Money for the building will come from an operating surplus that has been slowly accumulating over the past few years.

Details about funding the building are described in "WLCA Plans New Building without a Fee Increase" in the WLCA Newstream on the WLCA web site at <a href="http://www.mywaterfordlakes.org">http://www.mywaterfordlakes.org</a> > Waterford Newsletter > Waterford E-Newsletters Current Issue.

The entire 5-page WLCA budget for 2015 is also posted on the WLCA web site. Click on "Resident Login," then choose Documents > 2015 WLCA Budget > 2015 WLCA Approved Budget. The full budget will also be mailed to all 3,380 WLCA homeowners at the end of the year.

Dennis Horazak, WLCA Correspondent

## **Early Decorations Brighten Season**

Once again the Janoskes have enhanced our neighborhood with their beautiful fall decorations behind our front entrance wall. The bright orange lights in their trees add a nice touch to our entrance for all to see. Thank you, Bob & Pam!

#### CIN Publication Schedule

The Cypress Isles News is published quarterly by the Board of Directors for the residents of Cypress Isles, and is available for viewing on our website – www.cypressisles.org, or by email. To receive the newsletter via email, please email Sandy Horazak at sanden@bellsouth.net. Copy deadlines are February 1 for the February issue, May 1 for the May issue, August 1 for the August issue, and November 1 for the November issue. Non-commercial articles are welcome from our residents. Articles may be edited for length, clarity, or content.

Sandy Horazak, Editor

## **Orange County 311-One Call For Almost Anything**

Did you know Orange County has one of the best-kept secrets anywhere?

Orange County maintains a phone service where residents can call for assistance in many areas of service. These numbers are for landlines as well as cell phones (Carrier restrictions may be in place on some service providers). Orange County 311 is the point of contact for some of the following services:

Animal Services including reporting animal bites, pet adoption, stray or injured and neglected domestic animals and making Spay and Neuter appointments.

Code Enforcement including reporting graffiti, inoperable vehicles, lot cleaning, property in disrepair and trash, junk and debris concerns.

Roads and Drainage including reporting potholes and tree branch hazards on public property.

Traffic Engineering including reporting fallen stop signs and traffic light malfunctions

Zoning including getting Garage Sale permits, fence permits and Land Zoning and Use issues.

You can call 311 to get contact numbers for County officials, general government information, reporting dead animals on roadways and report mosquito problems.

311 is also the point of contact for disaster situations within unincorporated Orange County. Report flooding, blocked roads and sandbag requests.

The hours of operation for this service are Monday through Friday 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

You can visit the website at www.ocfl.net/311 <a href="http://www.ocfl.net/311">http://www.ocfl.net/311</a> For the hearing impaired you may use TTY at (407) 836-4250

And here are some other quick reference numbers that are available for you:

- 2-1-1 will put you in touch with Community Service Network and the Elderly Hotline
- 4-1-1 will put you in touch with telephone Info
- 5-1-1 will put you in touch with Traffic Info
- 6-1-1 will put you in touch with Telephone Repair
- 7-1-1 is Hearing Impaired Assistance
- 8-1-1 is Call Before you Dig!
- 9-1-1 is for Emergency

Ken Zook, WLCA General Manager

### Who Ya Gonna Call?

WLCA Office 453 Mark Twain Blvd. (answered 24/7) 407-380-3803 wlca@mywaterfordlakes.org

Orange County Sheriff's Office Non-emergency 407-836-HELP (4357)

Animal Control (unleashed pets, etc.) 407-254-9140 or-- 407-836-3111

Duke Energy Streetlight Repair or Power Outage 407.629.1010 https://www.progress-energy.com/app/streetlightrepair/

Call before you dig (Sunshine Network) 811 www.call811.com

Orange County 311--One Call For Almost Anything 311

### Whatcha Gonna Click?

www.ocso.com Click- on "E-Reporting" - to report certain types of crime online, such as lost property, theft, vandalism, and vehicle burglary.

www.ocso.com- Click on "Property Crimes and Robberies in Your Zone" - to find out what types of crimes are occurring in your area.

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

## **Dates and Figs**

Happy Anniversary to:



November 30 – Dick & June Glesener

Happy Birthday to:



November 16 - Vilma Hugh

December 20 - Carol Barrett

December 22 - Cookie Symons

January 12 – Janice Patten

January 26 – Kathleen Tenney

February 4 – Scott Symons

## A Seasonal Jingle

And now, (drum roll, please...) reprinted by popular demand and special request (last printed CI News XMAS 2008):



"Pressssure wash your walks and driveways So the reindeer won't slide sideways Clean the slime off where you're walking Keep the A.R.C. from squawking Fa-la-la-la-laaaa, la-la-la-la Fa-la-la-la-laaaa, la-la-la-la Fa-la-la, la-la-la, laa-laa-laa

Fa-la-la-la-laaaa, la-la-laaaaaaaaaa"

...just do it on your designated watering day.

## **Cypress Isles Contact List**

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# Have a safe and enjoyable holiday season and a healthy, Happy New Year!



# **Cypress Isles 2015 Budget**

	2014	2015	2015	%Change
	Budget	Budget	Quarterly	from 2014
INCOME				
Assessment Income	28,840.00	28,840.00	51.50	0.0%
Late Fees & Interest	0.00	0.00	0.00	-
Interest Earned - Operating Account	0.00	0.00	0.00	-
TOTAL INCOME	28,840.00	28,840.00	51.50	0.0%
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES				
Bad Debt/uncollectible assessments	824.00	424.00	0.76	-48.5%
Coupon Costs	560.00	700.00	1.25	25.0%
Meeting Expenses	150.00	150.00	0.27	0.0%
Office Supplies	100.00	140.00	0.25	40.0%
Miscellaneous Administrative	24.95	24.95	0.04	0.0%
Printing & Copying	700.00	550.00	0.98	-21.4%
Postage	200.00	270.00	0.48	35.0%
Newsletter	10.00	10.00	0.02	0.0%
Insurance D&O	1,378.14	1,251.00	2.23	-9.2%
Insurance – Liability	1,816.92	2,162.00	3.86	19.0%
TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	5,764.01	5,681.95	10.15	-1.4%
UTILITIES	., .	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		
Electric Service	954.81	826.37	1.48	-13.5%
Telephone Service	5.00	5.00	0.01	0.0%
TOTAL UTILITIES	959.81	831.37	1.48	-13.4%
GROUNDS MAINTENANCE				
Landscape Maintenance	10,396.82	9,800.00	17.50	-5.7%
Permits & Licenses	65.00	65.00	0.12	0.0%
Lakes/Ponds/Water Maintenance	1,448.36	1,248.00	2.23	-13.8%
Lighting Repairs	60.00	60.00	0.11	0.0%
TOTAL GROUNDS MAINTENANCE	11,970.18	11,173.00	19.95	-6.7%
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	•	•		
Accounting Fees/Tax Prep	15.00	15.00	0.03	0.0%
Legal Services	500.00	500.00	0.89	0.0%
Management Fees	8,371.00	8,371.00	14.95	0.0%
TOTAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	8,886.00	8,886.00	15.87	0.0%
RESERVES		· · ·		
Reserve Funding - Electric	100.00	100.00	0.18	0.0%
Reserve Funding - Landscape	650.00	650.00	1.16	0.0%
Reserve Funding - Retention Ponds	392.00	992.40	1.77	153.2%
Reserve Funding - Signs	82.00	489.28	0.87	496.7%
Reserve Funding - Masonry				
Reserve Funding - Greenbelt Areas	36.00	36.00	0.06	0.0%
TOTAL RESERVES	1,260.00	2,267.68	4.05	80.0%
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TOTAL EXPENSES	28,840.00	28,840.00	51.50	0.0%
NET INCOME/(LOSS)	0.00	0.00	0.00	-