

The Retreat Newsletter September/October Volume 16, Issue 4



Landscape Update

As you know our prior landscape maintenance company was severely remiss in a number of their contractual obligations. Our new landscape maintenance company, Impact, has made significant progress in a little over two months to bring our community back to the standard of quality we all deserve. However, there still remains much more work to be done. Our community was allowed to become overrun with weeds in the plant beds as well as our lawns and common areas. At this point the plant beds are weed free and now Impact has begun the process of eliminating weeds in our lawns and common areas in order to restore the grass to a weed free state.

This is a "process" that takes many weeks and It began late May when Impact applied a slow release fertilizer. Then a weed treatment was applied within the last one to two weeks. This type of weed treatment kills ONLY the weeds and not the grass. As a result, we are seeing brown areas dispersed within green areas. The brown areas are the weeds dying. Once weeds are eradicated, the fertilized lawns and common areas will begin to fill in with green grass and continue to do so throughout the growing season. Please be patient and keep looking forward! We will have beautiful green, weed free lawns and common areas before you know it!!!

We have two new Board members:

David Mesard, Director,

and Stephani Milazzo, Director.

Thank you!

MANAGER'S CORNER-Scott Montagna-LCAM, CMCA

It has been a pleasure serving such a Our team is wonderful community so far. Signature are very excited to be working for you all and look forward to a great future with you. One of our many duties is to be sure that residents are always striving to have the best and proper curb appeal so that your community gives that prestige look. Just as we want the landscape company to do an outstanding job for you, we also must look at the homes too. Now that we are settled in, we are able to take the needed time to inspections of the community. Below is a list of items that we are looking for now on home inspections;

- 1. Dirty and/or black mold and/or oil stains on driveways, walkways
- 2. Commercial vehicles are not permitted
- 3. Pickup trucks in driveways without the needed cap on the bed.
- 4. Trailers parked on driveways.

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- 5. Boats parked on driveways.
- 6. Homes with hedge replacement needs
- 7. Residents are not required to add mulch to their plane beds. If they choose to, the color must be Brown or Cypress Gold.
- 8. Landscape borders: should be neat in arrangement and clean of black mold
- 9. Overnight parking: Reminder there is no parking in the street overnight.
- 10. Parking on grass is not permitted
- 11. Blocking the sidewalk at any time of the day is not permitted
- 12. Outside storage: garbage cans, recycle bins, lawn tools, wheel barrels etc., are not permitted. Be sure to store all items in your garage.
- 13. Plastic/artificial flowers are not permitted outside the home, including in flower beds.
- 14. Please be sure screen cages are clean of mold with no torn screens.

Please be sure when walking your dogs, to carry a bag with you and be courteous to your neighbors and pickup and then dispose once you get back home.

Please take a moment to look around your home. If any of these items affect your home, please take a moment to correct the issue. If you are in need of a vendor to correct the issue, you can contact us for vendors that have worked in your community.

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WHAT HAPPENED AT THE WOMEN'S CLUB???

By Mona Wiley

Have you taken a road trip recently? Did you and your children play games while on the road? We did with my parents when we traveled from New York to Michigan. Sometimes we would collect license plates from other states. From NY to Michigan, we would get maybe 4 license tags back in the '60's. Not many people out driving around taking a vacation – roads wound their way through towns, past Woolworths and Florsheim Shoes. Mom and Pop motels were expensive if they were \$12 a night! Now, we have 4 and 6 lane highways and fast cars and fast foods. This year, between Florida and North Carolina, I counted license plates from 44 states. Only So. And No. Dakota, Vermont, Idaho, Hawaii and Alaska were missing. Isn't it amazing how the years and roads have changed and travel has become easier across the country. Dan and I also wondered how kids traveling with parents or grandparents have changed the road trip scene. Now, I bet one could travel from Florida to NC without much conversation - it's mostly time consumed with watching a movie, listening to music or playing games on the ipad or computer or checking the recent Minecraft building. I miss counting cows and having to hold your breath when you passed by a cemetery, or you'd lose all your cows! Well, welcome back! Hope you had a great summer whether you stayed here or counted cows as you traveled around the U.S.

Summer activities kept many busy – watching movies together, playing games or going out to eat! Thank you Marilyn Patterson and many assistants for keeping everyone engaged.

October 12, Sat. & Oct. 13, Sunday: Treasure Coast Community Singers (TCCS) perform "We Stand Together" at 3 PM both days. Advance tickets are \$15. FYI: Contact Dottie Williams, 546-3866, davedottie@gmail.com or purchase on-line: www.tccsingers.org.

On **Oct. 18th, Friday, the Norton Museum of Art** will treat everyone to free entry so the public can view the art and newly renovated museum. Lunch at the museum restaurant will be about \$15pp. Arrive at the museum at 11:30am. If you want to carpool, meet at our clubhouse at 10:45am for check in. Contact Rose Marie Savino 718-219-1865 or rmsavino717@gmail.com

Oct. 21st, Monday is our first monthly meeting in

our clubhouse. Gather at 6:15 for some light

refreshments and to meet and greet old and new friends. Our program will be Retreat resident Nina Gelardi, owner of Hobe Sound favorites: The Posh Pineapple and Juno Shoe Girl. She's going to tell us how she got her start in business and how she learned to design and produce her popular sandals.

Oct. 23rd, Wednesday, Lunch Bunch goes to lunch at Hong Kong Wok n'Grill at 185 E. Indiantown Rd., Suite 217 in Jupiter. As always, sign up in the mailroom and gather at the clubhouse at 11:30am if you want to carpool. If you have your own arrangements, please stop by and let our lovely hostesses Helen Larcom 772-545-0737) and Lill Malinowski (772-545-3732) know.

Nov. 9 and 10 Sat. & Sun. is a performance by the Treasure Coast Community Singers. This time it will be music by Puccini titled "Messa di Gloria". Advance and \$15 tickets are performances are at 3pm both days. For info. contact Dottie Williams 546-3866 davedottie@gmail.com. You can purchase on-line www.tccsingers.org.

Nov. 13th, Wednesday is our Welcome Back Luncheon at some local restaurant. Notice and sign up will be posted in the mailroom. Meet at the clubhouse to carpool at 11:30. Our hostesses are: Coni McGuinn 772-545-3465 and Liz Plourde 772-546-5673

And, of course, our **Monday, Nov. 18th** monthly meeting. Back by popular demand will be the "**Drums Alive to Music**" with Lori Kenney, Stuart YMCA. Dress comfortably if you want to play.

Gone, but not forgotten are Karen Soares and Mary DeSalvo. They were faithful and active members of the Women's Club, and we shall miss them terribly.



Karen Boyan Soares, age 79, of Westfield, MA and Hobe Sound, FL, died on Sunday, July 14, 2019 at the Cleveland Clinic, Martin Memorial Hospital in Stuart, Florida.

She was born in Englewood Hospital in Englewood, New Jersey, on July 3, 1940. She was the youngest of three children born to Elizabeth Schweitzer and Andrew Boyan. Karen was raised in Englewood, New Jersey, and graduated from Dwight Morrow High School.

She is a graduate of the Englewood Hospital School of Nursing, and earned her Bachelors of Science in Nursing from Fairleigh Dickinson University.

A lifelong learner, Karen received her Masters in Education from Westfield State College. Karen was a nursing instructor, and an Allied Health educator. She retired from the City of Westfield's Vocational Technical High School after thirty years of service.

She was the Chair of Westfield Vocational HS Advisory Board, an active member of the Westfield Sons of Erin and the member of the Women's Club of the Retreat, Hobe Sound.

May she rest in peace.



Mary a. DeSalvo

1930 - 2019

Mary DeSalvo grew up and married her husband Victor in New York. They moved to the Retreat in 2004 and were original owners of her home on Retreat Drive. Her husband Victor passed away several years ago. She had a son Victor who continues to live in New York. Her two nephews Tommy and Paul DiVito live in West Palm Beach and were very attentive and visited her often. Mary was a great Italian cook. She was very close with several of her neighbors, especially Carolyn Gilbert, who supported her by bringing food, picking up her mail and taking her grocery shopping. This past year was difficult for her as she fell several times at home and spent substantial time in the hospital and rehab. After moving to assisted living in June, she continued to have problems and finally passed away in Martin South Restorative Care.

Mary and her warm smile will be missed.

LAST MEETING OF THE SEASON MAY 20

National Wildlife Refuge now called the Nathaniel P. Reed Hobe Sound NWR



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Fernando's Dockside Grill 6/15/2019





Blue Pointe Bar & Grill 8/16/2019





1st Friday May 3rd

About every month on the first Friday of the month, residents gather on our Clubhouse from 5 pm to 7 pm and bring an appetizer to share. BYOB. No reservation needed...just show up!

Please join us in this activities!















Pre-Summer Pickleball Beach Party People

The Retreat Sizzlers Pickleball players have been known to put the courts behind and gather for fun and cheer. This past spring welcomed an impromptu Hobe Sound Beach twilight beach party for us. Opportunity for fond goodbyes to departing seasonal folks paired with rousing Frisbee games, and abundant social time, rounded out a great evening.

As we await the return of many regular Retreat Pickleball players, these summer mornings remind us to keep focused on a great sport of Pickleball here at *The Retreat* with exercise, competition and comraderie.

The Retreat Sizzlers welcome new players to the fastest growing sport in North America of **Pickleball**. We play as mixed doubles in our matches with many players on our courts. Guidance and instruction is offered by many players. The courts enjoy healthy competition on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday morning, from 8:00 AM until about 11:00 AM. The Retreat players look forward to more social gatherings, so join-in with us.

Ron Doucette Pickleball Representative to the Clubhouse Committee



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OUR LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

This is the Landscape Committee group that completed the annual tree count in July.

Names from left to right: front-Donna Lance, Rick Renshaw, Janet Ross, rear. David Evans, Jean Scerbo, Nancy Kisslinger.



Information Open House

Wednesday, August 28, 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM

Morgade Library

Learn about an FDOT major construction project beginning September 16th and lasting until Spring of 2021.

Road work will affect Route 1 from South of SE Heritage Blvd to North of SE Salerno Road.



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - DISTRICT FOUR INVITES YOU TO A CONSTRUCTION OPEN HOUSE

US 1/State Road (SR) 5 Shoulder Widening and Resurfacing Project From South of SE Heritage Boulevard to North of SE Salerno Road Financial Project ID Number: 437838-1-52-01

US 1/SR 5 Shoulder Widening and Resurfacing Project

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District Four, will host a Construction Open House for the US 1 shoulder widening and resurfacing project from south of SE Heritage Boulevard to north of SE Salerno Road in Martin County.

PROJECT IMPROVEMENTS

- Milling and resurfacing of all travel lanes, turn lanes, and shoulders
- Widening the shoulders to accommodate 7-foot buffered bicycle lanes
- Addressing pavement failures at Cove Road and Salerno Road
- Upgrading sidewalk and pedestrian ramps to meet American with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards
- · Upgrading signing and pavement markings
- Installing new pedestrian countdown signal heads at multiple signalized intersections
- Upgrading traffic controller cabinets at all signalized intersections

JOIN US AT THE CONSTRUCTION OPEN HOUSE

Wednesday, August 28, 2019 Open House - 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Robert Morgade Library Anderson Community Room 5851 SE Community Drive Stuart, FL 34997

Project personnel will be on hand to discuss the scope of work, construction schedule, and address questions and comments one-on-one. The open house will have an informal format. No formal presentation will be made. Guests may arrive at any time between 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

TRAFFIC IMPACTS

To facilitate soil stabilization and reconstruction at the Salerno Road/US 1 and Cove Road/US 1 intersections, work will occur in phases to minimize the impacts to traffic. During certain phases, the speed limit on US 1 will be reduced from 45 MPH to 35 MPH.

Turn lanes and through lanes at the Salerno Road/US 1 and Cove Road/US 1 intersections will undergo full closures during various timeframes as part of a multi-phase operation. Through traffic on US 1 may be reduced from three lanes to two lanes,

but US 1 will never be fully closed. Some turn movements coming from US 1 to turn onto either Salerno Road or Cove Road will be restricted at times. Alternate detour routes will be available.

Advance notice will be provided to the public prior to any closures via message boards, press releases, and flyers, and will include the specific impact as well as the anticipated duration of the impact. Please see the reverse side to view the phase details that have major impacts to traffic.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Kathleen Dempsey, Community Outreach Specialist: kdempsey@corradino.com or (772) 359-5118

Ana Pombal, P.E., Project Administrator: apombal@cpc-eng.com or (561) 214-0781

Tim Thomas, FDOT Project Manager: tim.thomas@dot.state.fl.us or (772) 429-4887

Construction Cost: \$8,446,060

Construction Start: September 16, 2019

Anticipated Completion: Spring 2021

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact FDOT Project Manager Tim Thomas or Community Outreach Specialist Kathleen Dempsey at least seven (7) days prior to the Open House.

HOMEOWNER'S COMMUNICATIONS FORM

If you are NOT currently listed in The Retreat Directory and wish to be listed, please fill out the form below. If you are currently listed in the Directory but would like to *update* your information, please complete the form below with your name and the *updated* information only.

If you are NOT currently receiving **HOA EMAIL** BLASTS OR if your email has changed, please complete the form below.

Please sign the form and place in the Drop Box at Property Management Office located in the Clubhouse or mail: Communications Committee Retreat HOA 8700 SE Retreat Drive Hobe Sound, FL 33455.

If your information is *correct*, *do not* fill out this form. List your information *exactly* as you want it printed in the Directory.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

First Name:	
Last Name:	
Retreat Address:	
Telephone:	
Cell phone (optional):	_
Email Address for Directory (optional):	_
Email Address for Blast to receive announcements from HOA (optional):	
DISCLAIMER: Information contained in Directory is confidential and not for dissemination outsic community.	de the Retreat
Signature*	-
*Homeowner Signature is required to have information published in the Directory.	

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BRIDGE SCORES

By Carol Flynn

April 16

1-Ann Sterling 2-Alan Shattuck 3-Steve Strong 4-Rose Marie Scotti

April 23

1-RoseMarie Savino 2-Barry Mussatto 3-Ann Sterling 4-Kathy Majewski

April 30

1-Barry Mussatto 2-Steve Strong 3-Rose Marie Scotti 4-Alan Benson

May 7

1-Steve Strong 2-Carol Flynn 3-Kathy Majewski 4-Ann Sterling May 14 No Bridge

May 21

1-Steve Strong 2-RoseMarie Scotti 3-Kathy Majewski 4-Maryon Gonzalez

May 28 No Bridge June 4 No Bridge June 11 No Bridge

June 28

1-Alan Shattuck 2-Sharon Davis 3-Muriel Barry 4-RoseMarie Scotti

June 25

1-Marie Ferrandino 2-RoseMarie Savino 3-Muriel Barry 4-Ann Sterling

July 2

1-Carol Flynn 2-Ann Sterling 3-Maryon Gonzalez 4-RoseMarie Scotti

July 9

1-Ann Sterling 1-Alan Shattuck 2-Kathy Majewski 3-Patsy Shattuck 4-Rosemarie Scotti

July 16

1-Kathy Majewski 2-RoseMarie Savino 3-RoseMarie Scotti 4-Alan Shattuck

July 23

1-Muriel Barry 2-Alan Shattuck 3-Ann Sterling 4-RoseMarie Scotti

July 30

2-Alan Shattuck 2-Ann Sterling 3-Kathy Majewski 4-RoseMarie Scotti

1-Patsy Shattuck

NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS

The Retreat Assistance Network (RAN) was established in 2008 to assist Retreat residents with short-term needs to remain in their homes.

Our concerned Retreat volunteers are willing to provide:

Transportation to medical appointments Rides for grocery shopping or hair appointments

Prescription drug, grocery and mail pick -ups

Check-in phone calls or personal visits Occasional meal preparation.

We are pleased to report that over the past six months, we have had a definite increase in requests for our services. Since October 2018, we have received 23 requests from nine of our residents. Fourteen different volunteers graciously gave of their time to respond to all requests received. Our volunteers have primarily provided transportation to medical appointments and made meals for folks returning home after being hospitalized.

I have heard some residents comment that they were reluctant to ask for our assistance because they didn't want to bother us or thought they should only call if they were really in an emergency situation. We have over 20 volunteers waiting to be asked. So, if you or someone you know in the Retreat is in need of RAN services, simply contact one of the RAN facilitators listed below.

Finally, we can always use more volunteers. If you are interested in being one of our Neighbors Assisting Neighbors, please contact Audrey DeLoffi to obtain a short application.

RAN PHONE

Audrey DeLoffi	Marilyn Patterson
772 245-8420	772 932-7492



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Check out Members Only and Subscribe to HOA Email

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All Retreat residents are invited to take part in our Retreat Activities. For more information, please call the contact person.

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Retreat Assistance Network (RAN)	Audrey DeLoffi	245.8420
Retreat Directory	Coni McGuinn	545.3465
Retreat Newsletter	Lill Malinowski Dottie Williams	545.3732 546.3866
Social Bridge	Carol Flynn	546.4118
Tennis	Tom D'Avanzo	545.7229
WEB Master	Marlene Boobar	561.889.4445
Women's Club of the Retreat	Pres. Dottie Sacco Vice Pres. Sue Arnold Treas. Fran Spaulding Sec. Cheryl Wigen	546.0654 216.409.1480 937.657.0249 545.1114

Mah Jongg Mon. & Fri. 9:30 AM	Carol Flynn	546.4118
Mah Jongg Wed. 1 PM	Angela Bibby	545.9195
Duplicate Bridge	Carol Flynn	546.4118
Knot Just Knitting	Sandy Morrow Liz Plourde	545.1936 546.5673
Pickleball	Ron Doucette	245.8484
Poker—Men's Straight	Joe Ciocia	545.9767
Poker—Texas "Hold—Em"	Otto Vernacchio	546.7523

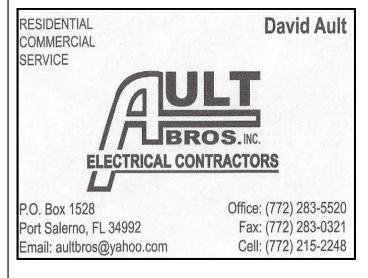


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Dear Retreat Residents,

We thank all the contributors to this newsletters!

We need a theme for the November/ December Newsletter. Please send us your theme recommendations.

We are always on the look-out for your articles—book reviews, recipes, Retreat social gatherings as well as your suggestions for future columns.

The deadline for the November/
December newsletter will be October
10th—a little earlier than usual since
we will be traveling.

Your Newsletter Staff Dottie, Coni and Lill



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