



The Sandpiper

Newsletter of the Lido Sands Community Association

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January 2018

YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

President:	Nicolai Glazer	Lighting:	Matt Hansberger
Vice President:	Clint Harwick	Pool:	Karen Jordan
Treasurer:	Dan Johnson	Social:	Traci Medici
Secretary:	Jeri Smith	Membership:	Barbara Gaughran
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SOCIAL

The "Winter Wonderland" holiday party at the Medici house was well attended and a lot of fun. Many thanks to Traci for hosting (again) and to all those who attended. It reminds you of what a special and unique community we live in. The next event will be the Easter egg hunt. Stay tuned.

LIDO SANDS BUDGET, DUES, FINANCES

As usual Dan Johnson has our community's finances well in hand. A recent third-party reserve study was conducted and our reserves are 98% funded. For those who are involved in other community associations you know this is almost unheard of (most communities hover somewhere around 50% reserve funding.) This is due to responsible and sound fiscal policy by your board.

The Lido Sands budget for fiscal year 2018/2019 (from 4/1/18 - 3/31/19) is \$98,365 and it was approved unanimously by the board at the January 18 meeting. Most importantly, there will be NO DUES INCREASE this year.

DOG POOP

Dog poop continues to be a problem in the Estrada and at the Park. Please pick up after your pet and inquire of non-owners you see walking their dogs through our private Estrada. After one year of distribution, it seems as though the doggie poop bags provided by the community are consumed at approximately 700 per year at a cost of \$90/year.

SQUIRRELS

Love them or hate them, we have them. Some neighbors have requested that owners refrain from feeding them (particularly non-natural foods like peanuts.) The squirrels have been taking the peanuts and burying them in planter beds and digging into lawns, causing damage to owners' property. According to the Humane Society people should avoid feeding wild animals because it causes them to lose their natural fear of humans, increases the risk a spreading disease, and sometimes harms the animals when they are fed items that are not part of their natural diet.

"RAR" STATUS

The Recreation Area Revitalization ("RAR") Committee continues to work on fine tuning the plans, costs and process for implementing the long overdue makeover of our largest asset, the Lido Sands Recreation Area. It is hoped that an informational brochure will be prepared and circulated, followed by a town hall meeting (or two) prior to the matter going out to vote to all the members of Lido Sands.

The next Board Meeting will be held on **February 28 at 6:30 pm** at Matt Hansberger's house (5516 River). Keep your eye on the Bulletin Board at the Pool House for meeting agenda updates for time and location.

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The Lido Sands Easter Egg Hunt will be this **Saturday March 31** starting at **10:00 a.m.** at the Park. Don't be late if your younglings or grand-younglings want to participate as it is hard to hold off the masses of children with all the eggs spread out across the park!

There will also be a Cinco de Mayo party this year on Cinco de Mayo! Stay tuned for more details.

Finally, if there is any interest in a Lido Sands Book Club please contact Traci Medici.

ANNUAL MEETING OF LIDO SANDS

The Lido Sands Community Annual Meeting will be **Saturday May 19** at the Park with coffee and doughnuts starting at 9:30 a.m. and the meeting starting at 10:00 a.m. There will be a call for nominations for any members interesting in serving on the Board. As you may or may not know there are eleven Board members. Each member serves a two-year term. Six of the terms expire on even years and five expire on odd years. If anyone has any interest they should contact a board member to see about being nominated.

PALM TREE TRIMMING

It will be happening soon! Please keep an eye out and **avoid parking under palm trees on trimming day!**

POOL

It is cold. Heating will resume mid-May through mid-October. Recently there was some vandalism at the pool, including broken chairs, plants, etc., and many chairs thrown into the pool. If anyone has any information please let a Board member know. Everyone please keep an eye out for your biggest community asset . . . the pool and Park area!

PARKING

Patrol One, our parking company, has approached us about switching away from stickers and passes to license plate recognition and an App-based parking system. Stay tuned as the Board evaluates this.

"RAR" STATUS

Towards the end of April, in advance of the Annual Meeting, all members will be receiving a packet detailing the status of the Recreation Area Revitalization ("RAR"). This packet will include a Q&A about what has been done so far, the status, the need, the costs, etc. There will also be several town hall meetings prior to the matter going out to vote to all the members of Lido Sands. Obviously, there are many moving parts and competing interests all of which are being balanced and taken into consideration. Your patience is appreciated!

The next Board Meeting will be held on **April 18 at 6:30 p.m.** at Clint Harwick's house (5223 Lido Sands Drive). Keep your eye on the Bulletin Board at the Pool House for meeting agenda updates for time and location.

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As previously reported, the Lido Sands Community Annual Meeting will be **Saturday May 19** at the Park with coffee and doughnuts at 9:30 a.m. and the meeting starting at 10:00 a.m. Everyone should have received the Candidate Nomination Form the last week of March and the deadline to return the form was April 11. It should be a full agenda and the Recreation Area Revitalization will be a large topic. In fact, the **first Town Hall Meeting** to discuss the Recreation Area Revitalization will be immediately following the Annual Meeting on **May 19** at 11:00 a.m. Hope to see you all there!

SOCIAL

Sadly, because Cinco de Mayo is on a Saturday this year it was impossible (despite herculean efforts by Traci) to book a taco cart and mariachi band. So there will not be a community Cinco de Mayo party . . . but it does not mean you can't celebrate at the Park anyway!

There will however be a Lido Sands Movie Night at the Park on **June 2** with a Circus!! Fliers will be coming out but as a sneak peek, the Circus will start at 6:00 p.m. with stilt walkers, jesters and fire performers! The movie will be "The Greatest Showman" and it will start at **8:30 p.m.** and there will be \$1.00 beer and wine! Keep an eye out for the flier!

Apparently, there is some interest in a Book Club so anyone interested should contact Traci at (949) 645-1754. There is also some rumblings about putting together a community cookbook where we share our respective families' best recipes!

"RAR" STATUS

The packet detailing the status of the Recreation Area Revitalization ("RAR") should be out soon and definitely before the Annual Meeting. This packet will include a Q&A about what has been done so far, the status, the need, the costs, etc. As noted above the first Town Hall Meeting will be at 11:00 a.m. on **May 19** immediately following the Annual Meeting. The second Town Hall Meeting will be at 10:00 a.m. on **Saturday June 2**. If a third Town Hall Meeting is deemed necessary, the tentative plan is that the regularly scheduled June Board Meeting on **Wednesday June 20** would be held an hour early at 5:30 p.m. with a Town Hall Meeting to follow at 6:30 p.m.

PALM TREE TRIMMING

As a reminder the Palm Tree Trimming along Lido Sands Drive will be happening soon! They are targeting the **second week of May** so please keep an eye out for the notices that will be in your mail box and **avoid parking under palm trees on trimming day!**

POOL

The heating will resume mid-May through mid-October. It's gonna be a great Summer!

PARKING

Our Parking Chair, Wendy, is researching the options presented recently by Patrol One, our parking company (switching away from stickers and passes to license plate recognition and an App-based parking system.) Continue to stay tuned as the Board evaluates this. Also note that Summer is just around the corner which means Summer parking issues and increased parking scrutiny. Make sure your guests get parking passes!

KUDOS AND WARM FUZZIES

Kudos are due to Debbie Brinkman Stone for always keeping her landscaping along the entrance to Lido Sands beautiful and impeccable. Anyone entering Lido Sands gets a great first impression. Thanks also to the Blackmans and Scott Endsley for upgrading their landscaping along the entrance. Not to leave anyone out if you recently improved your Estrada thank you! If you respect your property then others will too.

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