



FROM PRESIDENT BOYER'S DESK

Social Distancing & Life in Casa del Lago

As I drive into Casa del Lago, everything still looks pretty much like it always has been. All of our Association common areas and essential services have been 100% functioning, kept clean, and repaired. All of our service companies still support the Association when we need them. Our residents seem to be practicing safe "Social Distancing" and this continues to be our recommendation. The biggest difference in Casa del Lago is that we are missing the community parties and clubhouse gatherings. Even so, it still seems like a paradise to me. Let's just enjoy how fortunate we are and enjoy a "STAYCATION" within the comforts of our homes, stay connected with our family and friends using phones, internet, or some other social networking tools and keep safe and healthy during May.

NEW Irrigation Restrictions in Place

Due to the ongoing drought, all Homeowner Associations in Lee County are restricted to having only ONE DAY per week of irrigation per home. This is a major irrigation change that will lead to some turf stress especially if there isn't rain in May. Grass can naturally survive periods of drought. In fact, stress encourages grass to use more energy to grow deeper roots. Too much irrigation leads to shorter, weaker roots and more fungus issues. The NEW regulation means that everyone will see their property irrigated only once a week **either on Wednesday or Sunday**. Once every month Estates Landscaping conducts 'wet checks' testing at every home irrigation system to find problems. If you need an irrigation repair please contact Jeff George 239-940-5159 (cell) or 239-498-1187 (office) or email to JGeorge@EstateLandscaping.com

March 2020 YTD HOA Financial Results

HOA Total Revenue March YTD was \$156,861. Expenses March YTD were \$153,834 so the net result is positive and we are ahead of our Budget by \$3,027 thru March 2020. Additionally, the Association Reserve Fund Accounts, held for future common area structural and equipment repairs, now stands at \$260,436. This is only 2% higher than March of last year. Recent purchases of new clubhouse furniture and resurfacing of the clubhouse parking lot and entranceway have withdrawn \$17,235 from our Reserve Funds so far during 2020.

Welcome New Homeowners!

We're pleased you selected our community. We want you and your family to feel right at home. For information regarding everything that our Homeowners Association provides, including landscaping services, budgets, Rules and Regulations, Board of Director minutes, and newsletters, visit www.MyCasaDelLago.com. Our community management company, Schoo Management, Inc., is also a great source of information and can be reached at 239-481-4700.

Reports of Nearby Car and Home Burglary

Recently, on April 24th, it was reported to us that kids were seen breaking into cars at the Timbers community near their entrance on Penzance Rd. A home burglary was also reported by the police on March 13th nearby Penzance Rd. Be sure to ALWAYS lock your car doors every night and do not leave anything of value in plain sight.

Landscaping Schedule May

Mowing, edging, and blowing service will be done weekly on Thursdays normally. Pruning of shrub beds is scheduled to start May 6th. Turf weed control is scheduled for the week of May 4th. Tree fertilization is scheduled for May 12th. All of our turf and shrubs will be fertilized the week of May 25th. Irrigation checks and repairs will occur during the week of May 25th.

Remember, Mailbox Repairs by Association

Our Association maintains mailboxes in the community. This service is included in your assessments. If you have a damaged mailbox please contact me at gboyer01@aol.com.

Bocce Ball Court Was Re-Painted

Our Association members owe a HUGE Thank You to our neighbors Mary Ann, Rod and Carolyn for volunteering to get the materials, pressure wash, clean, paint and restore the condition of the bocce ball court. This will add many years of life to one of our community amenities located next to the tennis courts. Check it out!

Here's to Hoping we get some RAIN in May!

George Boyer – Deer Lake HOA President

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XFinity Cable TV Repairs and Service

Call 1-800-934-6489

ADT Home Security Repairs and Service

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A Message from Lee County Sheriff Marceno

What would you do if you saw a stranger in your neighborhood looking into windows of parked cars? Would you recognize this as suspicious activity and call police, or would you assume someone else already called? Perhaps, you would hesitate to call and report your suspicions for fear of being thought of as the neighborhood busy-body?

During a recent car burglary investigation, the Sheriff's Office learned a resident had observed individuals trying to get into cars in the neighborhood, but did not call law enforcement. Instead, the resident shared security camera footage of the suspects on a video neighborhood app inquiring if neighbors recognized the suspects. Unfortunately, by the time our agency was notified, the suspects were long gone.

Preventing crime is a community effort and we need your help to keep our Lee County communities, safe. We encourage you to immediately report something you consider to be out of the ordinary or suspicious. If your suspicions are wrong, that's o.k. too. Just think about what the outcome could have been had your suspicions been right, but you didn't make the call.

What number should you call? There are two different phone numbers with two distinct functions for reporting crime. Below is an explanation of when it is appropriate to dial either 911 or our main phone number:

1. **911** - If there is a life threatening emergency or you feel a crime is in progress and that the safety of you and those around you are at risk, dial it! It could be a car crash, a drunk driver, a robbery, someone with a weapon, or a physical altercation. Quite simply, an emergency is any situation requiring immediate assistance from the police, fire department or ambulance.

2. **477-1000** - All non-emergency calls for past occurred offenses such as a car break-in, theft, vandalism, lost property, suspicious narcotics activity, harassing phone calls, as well as other incidents not in progress can be reported by calling our main number.

At this time, you **cannot** text or email 911 for help in Lee County though new technology and regulations are anticipated that will make this possible in the future. For more information on this subject, call the sheriff's office Community Response Unit at 239-477-1CRU.

MAY TRIVIA AND SUCH

1. **May is Older Americans Month, and the Administration for Community Living has announced that the 2020 theme will be:** (a) Make Your Mark (b) Watch Your Step (c) Be Best (d) Take a Trip.
2. **The Zombie Research Society says you can show your support for National Zombie Awareness Month (May) by:** (a) visiting elderly relatives (b) attending a political rally (c) surfing the dark web (d) wearing a gray ribbon.
3. **May is National Egg Month too. The American Egg Board claims that in 2019, each American ate how many eggs?** (a) 290.1 (b) 768.8 (c) 1089.5 (d) 2302.2.
4. **The Egg Nutrition Center recommends what kind of egg should top Korean Bibimbap?** (a) raw (b) hard-boiled (c) fried (d) mauled.
5. **On May 31, 2006, W. Mark Felt's family announced that he was:** (a) Batman (b) Deep Throat (c) D.B. Cooper (d) dead.
6. **On May 31, 1977, the BBC banned the playing of "God Save the Queen" by:** (a) Benjamin Britten (b) Queen (c) The Sex Pistols (d) John Lennon.
7. **China ended its ban on the works by this author on May 27, 1977:** (a) Dang Pow Zing (b) William Shakespeare (c) Herman Wouk (d) Bang Zoom Moon.
8. **Joan of Arc was burned at the stake on May 30, 1431, for:** (a) spilling the beans (b) puffery (c) heresy (d) referring to King Charles VII's hands as "smallish."
9. **On May 24, 1775, John Hancock was elected president of:** (a) the First Continental Congress (b) the Second Continental Congress (c) his father's insurance company (d) his own investment bank.

10. May is Also Electrical Safety Month. The Electrical Safety Foundation International chose this for its 2020 theme: (a) Smart Home (b) Get Plugged In (c) Ohm (d) Socket To Me.

11. And, of course, May is National Strawberry Month. It's an old French countryside tradition to serve newlyweds cold strawberry soup in the belief that: (a) it will cool them off (b) red is the color of passion (c) leek soup would be inappropriate (d) strawberries are an aphrodisiac.

12. Thanks to the efforts of Facebook fans, this person hosted *Saturday Night Live* on May 8, 2010: (a) Elmer Fudd (b) Betty White (c) Mae West (d) William Shatner.

13. On May 14, 1796, Edward Jenner: (a) won gold for the Olympic Decathlon (b) received the first sex change operation (c) tested his smallpox vaccine successfully (d) married his wife, Kaitlin.

14. Almost forgot—May is Celiac Awareness Month too. The Celiac Disease Foundation suggests you may want to participate by:

(a) ordering a corned beef on rye (b) enjoying a hearty bowl of beef barley soup (c) chomping on a stick of celery (d) pinning a green bow on your shirt.

15. The FBI Lab issued this official finding on May 17, 1965, in regard to the lyrics of "Louie Louie": (a) they were lewd (b) they have no redeeming social importance (c) they were written "under the influence" (d) they were unintelligible at any speed.

ANSWERS: (15) d (14) d (13) c (12) b (11) d (10) a (9) b (8) c (7) b (6) c (5) b (4) c (3) a (2) d (1) a.

--Ben Shearer