

Hammocks Happenings

The Hammocks: The Nicest Community on the Sun Coast

Revised

Below please find a number of 'Items of Interest' regarding River Wilderness and the Hammocks.

Upcoming Meetings

- Hammock's HOA 'budget rollover' meeting: Thursday, October 16th, at 5:00 PM in the RWGCC Private Function Room.
- Hammock's **October** HOA board meeting: Thursday, October 16th, immediately following the 'budget rollover' meeting in the RWGCC Private Function Room.
- Hammock's Annual Member's Meeting: *Tuesday, November 25th*, at 6:00 PM in the RWGCC dining room.
(Always check the bulletin board at the Hammocks' community pool for 'official' Hammocks' HOA board meeting postings.)
- Master HOA **October** board meeting: Tuesday, October 21, at 2:00 PM in the RWGCC Private Function Room.
- Parrish Civic Association (PCA) - General Meeting: October 16th at 7:00 PM at the 'Y' on US 301 in Parrish. Manatee County School District Superintendent Rick W. Mills will be the guest speaker. Please keep in mind that you do not have to be a member of the PCA to attend the meetings. If you are interested in what's going on in your community you should consider attending PCA meetings whenever you possible.

Let's be Sociable!

The Hammock's Social Committee has another great event planned for October 26th. Carmela Karnes, Adair Crocker and Greg Crocker are putting together an OktoberFest event that will make you think you have been transported to Milwaukee. (We were going to shoot for Munich but the committee is on a budget.) Please see the attached flyer for details.

Congrats

In addition to being a great 'event planner' Greg Crocker, our neighbor on Red Leaf, is a great golfer. Last week Greg made an eagle 3 on the 15th hole. He holed his third shot from 170 yards out while playing from the Blue Tees. Congratulations.

The Mall at University Town Center

Above we mentioned two HOA meetings and a PCA meeting that will be held on Thursday October 16. And if the meetings were not enough excitement the Mall at UTC will also be coming on line on the 16th. Over 100 retail stores and restaurants will open that day. Traffic will be heavy so make sure you allow enough time to make it back to the meetings in Parrish.

Personal Concierge at your service

Part of the Verizon cable package that is now available to everyone in River Wilderness is their 'Concierge Service'. You can take advantage of the service even if you are not a Verizon subscriber. As a matter of fact, as of today all editions of the Hammocks Happenings will be distributed using email addresses stored on the Verizon Concierge database.

Concierge Participation

The following statistics show Hammocks participation in the Concierge service through September:

- 99 homes in the Concierge (Hammocks) data base
- 97 homes have 133 email addresses
- 2 homes have no email address
- 24 homes have registered in Concierge and updated phone numbers.

These statistics show we have excellent email coverage to Hammocks residents. However, if we are ever to be capable of producing a Hammocks phone directory, we need more participation than 24%.

We ask that you please sign on and enter your telephone information and explore Concierge. Questions or problems please email webmaster@rwhoa.org. It is easy enough to sign in and then update any of your indicative information that is currently on the Concierge database. To gain access, simply reference the letter that was distributed to you in early September from the Master HOA. Make note of the 'registration code' contained in that letter, then follow the instructions on the attached RW Concierge Registration form and, viola, in just a few steps you are into Verizon Concierge!

Snow-bird Column

The following paragraph is for our snow bird neighbors that have not been in the Hammocks for awhile and like to receive updates from time to time.

Summer was somewhat drier than normal, but September is really trying to make up for lost time in regards to precipitation. The ponds are up and the grass is very green and growing. This most recent Friday the RW golf course had 4 inches of rain and then on Saturday night 2 additional inches. While driving from the main gate to the Hammocks on Friday night we observed probably 30-40 frogs jumping across the roads. The trip through the community was like a scene out of the 1999 movie Magnolia with Tom Cruise. At the end of that movie frogs began to rain down from the sky. (The movie had an underlying theme of unexpected events or something.) At any rate the RW frogs were already on the planet and probably just in search of higher ground. (Regarding the movie, if you missed it you didn't miss much.)

Other than that the weather remains hot and humid still hitting the 90's many days.

Construction along the US 301 corridor continues apace. A Taco Bell sign can be seen next to McDonald's as you take the 224 exit and at Silver Leaf behind Publix at Chen Road a new roof can be seen almost daily along with tons of new

landscaping. There are rumors of a coffee and donut shop in the area but nothing definite.

Enjoy the fall up north, take some pictures of the changing colors and travel safely as you return to River Wilderness and the Hammocks. (And try to make it back for the OktoberFest event!)