

Hammocks Happenings

May 22, 2015

The Hammocks: The Nicest Community on the Sun Coast

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

Upcoming Meetings

- Hammock's June HOA board meeting: Thursday, June 18, at 5:00 PM in the RWGCC Private Function Room.
- Master HOA Special Meeting meeting: Tuesday, June 9, at 7:00 PM. The meeting will be held in the RWGCC dining room. The purpose of the meeting is to address the Community Amenities Proposal made by The River Wilderness Golf and Country Club to the RW HOA Board. The HOA Board is soliciting comments and opinions from all homeowners about the concept of purchasing a special amenities package for the RW community.
- Master HOA June HOA board meeting: Tuesday, June 16th, at 2:00 PM. The meeting will be held in the RWGCC Private Function Room. (Note: The Master HOA does not plan on holding a board meeting in July.)

Waste Pickup

The Memorial Day holiday is Monday, May 25 and as a result all garbage, recyclable and yard waste pickups will be delayed by one day.

Architectural Review Committee

Recently there have been a number of questions about the 'roles and responsibilities' of the ARC. A *Hammocks ARC Reminder* was emailed to residents. It contains the ARC processes and committee contact information.

Hammock's Directory

The Hammock's Residents Directory will 'go to press' at the end of May. If you would like your Florida and/or seasonal residence information included in this document please forward the information to HOA president June Seaton at bobbysgirl@tampabay.rr.com

Remember that this information will only be available to homes in the Hammocks.

Hurricane Season

As most folks know, June 1st is the start of hurricane season. Newspapers and TV outlets will no doubt have inserts and special segments regarding steps to take in advance of the season, what to do when a storm is approaching and evacuation information. What you might not know is that the Master HOA's website is also a great resource for hurricane season information with links to a number of important Manatee County emergency and hurricane related sites.

Check out the RW Master HOA website for the latest storm preparedness information. http://www.rwhoa.org/RW_2014/info_page.htm

Ft. Hamer Bridge

Manatee County broke ground for the Ft. Hamer Bridge project in early March. Recently, cranes could be seen over the tree tops and the noise of construction could be heard in the distance from time to time. An uptick in activity can be expected in the coming days. The \$32.7 million project is scheduled to be completed sometime in 2017. For additional information about the bridge including status go to www.fortthamerbridge.com. Unfortunately, at this time the website banner states the site is 'Under Construction'. This is a great opportunity for a comment or two but we will let the irony stand on its own.

Should you be alarmed?

Well, if the question is 'smoke alarms' the answer is yes. Yes, you should have a working smoke alarm in multiple key locations in your home. If your smoke detector is powered by a battery or uses a battery as a 'back up' you should change the batteries regularly. There are 'ten year' Lithium smoke detector batteries that you might want to consider for those hard to reach locations.

Key statistics:

- Three out of five home fire deaths result from fires in properties without working smoke alarms.
- More than one-third (37 percent) of home fire deaths result from fires in which no smoke alarm are present.
- The risk of dying in a home fire is cut in half in homes with working smoke alarms.

Have you heard...?

* Parrish Lakes is potentially the granddaddy in size of all development in Manatee County's North River area. The developer envisions 3,300 homes, 400,000 square-feet of retail and office space, and a mixed-use residential town center to be built over 20 years. The development would be located on 1,155 acres south of Moccasin Wallow Road and north of Erie Road and adjacent to the planned Robinson Gateway project.

* If you have enjoyed a Culver's Custard dessert or a Butter Burger there is good news for you – Culver's is coming to SR 70 east of I 75 in front of Wal Mart.

* And, if you can't wait for the Culver's to open for business you can now stop at the Dunkin Donuts / Baskin Robbins on US 301 for a treat.

The Eat Beat

If you like white table linens and you enjoy having a certified sommelier attend to your wine needs the Clam House in Palmetto is probably not for you, but if you like exceptionally fresh seafood, including sushi and clams, pulled from local waters consider this 'off the beaten path' eatery at 304 – 7 Street in Palmetto.

Travel Safely

To all of our Hammock's neighbors have a safe and enjoyable Memorial Day weekend wherever you are and to our Snow Bird friends travel safely, have a fun summer and we look forward to seeing you in the fall.

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