# LCCPOA QUARTERLY NEWS

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# PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Dear Neighbors:

This is the first of what we hope will be a quarterly newsletter to inform you about issues affecting Lely Country Club. We are mailing this first issue to those who have not previously registered their email addresses. To save printing and postage future issues will be distributed only via email. If you wish to receive future issues, please complete the enclosed consent form and provide your email address to Resort Management. It's also helpful if you activate your portal on Resort Management's website. If you are unsure what to do contact Resort Management and they will assist you.

I thought I'd use my first President's Message to offer a bit of history. Lely Country Club is one of several developments bordered by Rattlesnake Hammock, Augusta Boulevard, Rte. 41 and St. Andrews Boulevard - an area known as "Old Lely."

The largest developments are Lely Country Club and Lely Golf Estates. The Golf Estates entrance is on Rte. 41 and their development stretches northeast along St. Andrews to near Forest Hills Boulevard. Lely Country Club proceeds from Forest Hills, along St. Andrews and Augusta Boulevards to our main entrances at Rattlesnake Hammock. We're kind of a crazy patchwork.

Lely Golf Estates, Lely Country Club and Lely Resort are often confused with one another. When we moved here in 2016 my wife and I attended the Lely Golf Estates board meeting, thinking we were part of that association.

Lely Country Club Property Owner's Association (LCCPOA) has 709 members. We are a mix of single-family and villa homes and condominiums. We were founded in 1978 and most of our homes and condos were built around the Royal Palm golf course, which is owned and managed independently of our Association. LCCPOA is the "master" association. Our general and protective covenants apply to all 709 properties. Within our Association there are nine distinct subdivisions, some of which have their own governing documents.

LCCPOA's responsibility is enforcement of the general and protective covenants and maintenance of the medians along St. Andrews Boulevard (to Forest Hills) and the entire length of Augusta Boulevard. Simple enough on the surface, but the devil's in the details. For instance, all our irrigation wells are on land we don't own since LCCPOA owns no real estate. Just about everything we do is governed by strict state laws and regulations, so we can't make a move without consulting an attorney.

LCCPOA board members are volunteers with varying skills. To assure uniformity of administration we employ Resort Management to bill and collect annual dues, send communications, deal with vendors and pay bills, prepare monthly financial statements, and handle other day-to-day functions.

That's it in a nutshell. Hopefully you will find these newsletters informative and useful in understanding your community and Association. We welcome your comments and suggestions.

Sincerely,

Tom Robustelli LCCPOA President

### QUICK LINKS AND RESOURCES

Lely Country Club Website

<u>Resort Management Website</u> - Management Company for Lely Country Club Property Owners Association

Resort Management Homeowner Login - Register or Login to Resort Management Homeowner Portal

Lely Country Club ARC Form - To request any architectural and/or landscape modifications to your property.

<u>Lely Country Club By Laws</u>

Lely Country Club Covenants

Quick Reference Need to Knows in Lely County Club

Lely Country Club Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Approved Post Light/Mailbox Assemblies

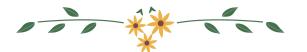
#### QUOTE OF THE QUARTER

"Follow your passion, stay true to yourself, never follow someone else's path unless you're in the woods and you're lost and you see a path then by all means you should follow that."

Ellen DeGeneres

# COMMUNITY UPDATES & INFORMATION

# **CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS**



## **UPDATES**

LCCPOA needs volunteers to assist in a variety of functions as follows:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - There are currently seven board members. Our bylaws say we can have up to 14. We'd like to add a few more fresh faces to bring new ideas and energy. Those interested can obtain an application for board membership from Resort Management. Contact our Community Association Manager, Laura Pascal: LPASCAL@RESORTGROUPINC.COM.

HEARING COMMITTEE - Last year the Board adopted a new fining procedure. The Board's philosophy is that fining is a last resort. Residents are given every opportunity to come into compliance with protective covenants. There are situations in which a property owner either disagrees that they are not in violation, or simply refuses to cooperate. In these cases, once a notice period has passed the Board may assess a fine. The property owner is notified of the fine and given an opportunity to attend a hearing. The Hearing Committee is comprised of 3-5 community members who are not affiliated in any way with the Board. The Hearing Committee may hear evidence from the property owner, the Board and Resort Management. The Hearing Committee then decides whether the fine assessed by the Board should be imposed. They cannot adjust the amount of the fine. If the Hearing Committee upholds the fine, the Board then votes to impose the fine, and the fine is added to the property owner's account and is payable within 5 days after the property owner is notified of the decision.

**OTHER** - If you believe you have skills that can be of use to the Association but do not wish to serve on the Board of Directors or Hearing Committee, there may be other ways to participate. If you wish to volunteer in some capacity, contact Laura Pascal and she will put you in touch with the Board.

#### **2021 BOARD MEMBERS**

TOM ROBUSTELLI - PRESIDENT
DUDLEY CHISM - VICE PRESIDENT
JACKIE WAGANER - TREASURER
JASON DONAHUE - SECRETARY
LUTZ JACOB - DIRECTOR
DAN KOKORA - DIRECTOR
WIL RUDMAN - DIRECTOR



The Association's Annual Meeting scheduled at New Hope Church did not achieve the required quorum of 213 members and thus no business could be conducted. After a question-and-answer period facilitated by Andy Provost of Resort Management, the Board conducted its annual organizational meeting, elected officers, and voted to move forward to implement electronic voting. Tom Robustelli was voted in as President, Dudley Chism as Vice President, Jason Donahue as Secretary and Jackie Waganer as Treasurer. The next Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for April 20th @ 6 p.m. at Mayflower Church on County Barn Road.

### FRIENDLY REMINDERS

After the hurricanes and the mess the pandemic has thrown all of us into, we can't help but notice the improvements and how nice our homes look. We thank you for that. It sure makes us proud to live in this community. Our covenants contain a system of approvals for changes (landscaping, house painting, roof replacement, etc.) to assure that exterior changes fit with the overall look and feel of the neighborhoods. For this reason, we all need to request an approval for external changes to our properties. Forms for the Architectural Review Committee (ARC) can be found on both the Lely Country Club and Resort Management web sites, or you can contact Community Association Manager Laura Pascal LPASCAL@RESORTGROUPINC.COM. It is very helpful to be as specific as possible when indicating the work to be done and the materials used.

As the Winter Season ends please use this as a reminder of things that should be checked. Some of us are leaving, some are staying.

- Check outside lighting. New bulbs may make it through the summer. Bargain bulbs don't last as long.
- Touch up paint on exterior of our homes, mailboxes, etc.
- Schedule roof and/or driveway cleaning as needed.
- Check sprinkling system to reduce your water bill.

# 2ND QTR BOARD MEETING DATES

APRIL 20TH
MAY 18TH
JUNE 15TH
DATE AND LOCATION MAY BE
SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

## **ELECTRONIC VOTING IS COMING**

At its organizational meeting on March 23 the Board approved a resolution to implement the electronic voting system offered by Becker Ballot. The service costs the Association \$700 annually. There is no cost to individual members. Participation is voluntary. To participate you must complete a Consent to Electronic Voting and/or Consent to Receive Electronic Notice of Meetings. Those who consent can vote on Association business via email from the convenience of their personal computers at home. If you consent to receive meeting notices electronically, you will receive via email notices of meetings of the Board of Directors, Committees and Annual and Special Membership Meetings. It is required that you provide a valid email address to vote, and to receive these communications. If you have an interest in keeping Association dues low, note that sending notices and communications electronically saves the Association hundreds of dollars in printing and postage costs. Consent forms are available by contacting Community Association Manager Laura Pascal at LPASCAL@RESORTGROUPINC.com.

## **WHAT'S COOKING**

Seven Layer Salad

#### WHAT YOU NEED

- 1 PKG. (16 OZ.) SALAD GREENS
- 2 STALKS CELERY, THINLY SLICED
- 1/2 CUP CHOPPED RED PEPPERS
- 2 GREEN ONIONS, SLICED
- 1 PKG. (10 OZ.) FROZEN PEAS. THAWED
- 3/4 CUP MAYONNAISE
- 3/4 CUP SHREDDED SHARP CHEDDAR CHEESE
- 12 SLICES FULLY COOKED BACON, COOKED AND CRUMBLED
- 4 HARD BOILED EGGS, CHOPPED

#### LETS MAKE IT

- PLACE GREENS IN LARGE GLASS BOWL; TOP WITH LAYERS OF CELERY, PEPPERS, ONIONS, EGGS AND PEAS
- SPREAD MAYO OVER PEAS, COMPLETELY COVERING TOP OF SALAD AND SEALING TO EDGE OF BOWL. SPRINKLE WITH CHEESE AND BACON.
- REFRIGERATE 2 TO 12 HOURS TO BLEND FLAVORS. TOSS BEFORE SERVING, IF DESIRED.