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Winding Cypress Newsletter

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If Her Shoes Are Sparkly, It Must Be Friday!

If you happen to run into Maribeth Jones, Winding Cypress' new Activities Director, on a Friday, be sure to check out her shoes. A self-described "sparkle girl," Maribeth wears her sparkly shoes which change color in different light on Fridays. Maribeth "likes to spread sparkles, be sparkly, have fun, and smile. I'm not a sit-in-the-corner-and-be-quiet type." It doesn't take more than a few minutes of conversation with her to discover that it is the absolute truth!

Maribeth has been in these parts for longer than most of us. After growing up in southeastern Michigan and graduating from college in 1997, she immediately moved to southwest Florida. She had the foresight to secure a job here shortly before graduation so she could bid the Michigan weather farewell for good. Her grandparents lived in Bonita Springs and that's where Maribeth landed and has been living ever since. She shares her home with her 20-year-old daughter, a recent graduate of Florida Southwestern State College, three dogs, and a cat.

Maribeth came to Winding Cypress from Pelican Landing in Bonita Springs. There she was also the Activities Director and her colleague, Roy Hyman, who is now regional manager of SW Properties, recruited her to become the WC Activities Director. While she was already open to the idea of a new position in a different community, after visiting Winding Cypress she was immediately

smitten with the beauty of the community and its new, state-of-the-art facilities.

Maribeth's favorite part of the job so far is the people. She says that everyone has been very helpful and kind, especially since she lost her mom right before she started working at WC. She wants to play a key part in keeping WC residents happy and busy. Trips, games, arts and crafts, and sports are all on her list of targeted activities. The fellowship that shared activities generate among residents of communities like Winding Cypress is a key benefit she'd like to foster with her efforts.

Maribeth loves the outdoors. She spends time on her boat, fishing, enjoying the beach, and hanging with her friends. She likes to be busy, which is immediately evident when you see how many activities she's already been involved with!

Maribeth wants Winding Cypress residents to know that her door is always open and she's always receptive to new ideas. She appreciates being connected to new activities-related ideas and resources (human and otherwise) that she might not currently have. She's already started bringing in food trucks on nights when the restaurant is closed and is considering having bands play occasionally at the Shady Palm.

Please introduce yourself and welcome Maribeth when you see her—and if it's Friday, be sure to check out the shoes!



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Report from your Property Manager

Welcome to the hot month of August!

Here are your updates through July:

- We have installed a new beer line at the Shady Palm – stop in and check it out!
- During the last week of June and the first week of July, we pressure washed the pool deck chairs, bocce court chairs, and bocce tent.
- We also performed routine maintenance to the bocce courts, cleaned pool lights, lubricated the workout equipment, and replaced the wind screens at the tennis courts.
- The paint inside the amenity center was given a refresh.
- The contract was finalized with BrightView Landscape Services, as well as Expert Air AC contractor for the Amenity Center.
- **We remind you to sign up for HOA electronic voting!** Contact the Board if you need another invitation to join: wboardofdirectors@swpropmgt.com
- Look for additional ongoing enhancements and maintenance, including painting of new traffic lines in the coming weeks!

Miguel Diaz



Board Briefs

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Changing Voter Threshold

Some of the most important HOA decisions must be made by membership vote, but many associations cannot make those decisions because they fail to attain a quorum.

Two things have to happen at any meeting where a vote is going to be taken to change governing documents (bylaws and covenants) or elect board members. "Quorum" is the minimum number of members participating in person, electronic voting or by proxy so that a membership vote can be taken. Florida regulations call for a minimum of 30% of the closed homes to be considered a quorum. For our community, quorum is 230.

The second thing that has to happen is the vote. This is where the difficulty comes in for Winding Cypress. Our bylaws substantially exceed the required minimum membership to conduct this vote. The developer established the current approval threshold, per our existing documents, at 2/3 or 66% of all the Voting Interests. At full build-out of 766 homes this equates to 511 homes actively participating. This is a very high threshold to attain in order to conduct important Association business, particularly since a number of households inevitably choose not to vote on some or all issues. The failure to attain quorum or to attain the 2/3 voting threshold can prevent the HOA from taking actions such as election of directors, major assessment changes or amending our governing documents or bylaws.

Meetings that don't have a quorum must be adjourned and rescheduled at a later date. Meetings that can't achieve the 2/3 voter interest threshold cannot change governing documents, or elect new directors. This can be a huge problem. Achieving the needed threshold of voters at a second meeting—if we couldn't get one the first time—is even harder.

The board, on advice of our attorney, is recommending amending the threshold from 2/3 of all owners to 2/3 of all owners voting, whether in person, electronically or by proxy, at an Association meeting where a quorum has been obtained. For example, if only a quorum of owners (30% of 766 homes or 230) attended the meeting, then 2/3 of those owners who are voting must approve of the proposed amendment. However, if there are more than 230 homes attending the meeting, then 2/3 of those who are attending the meeting, in person or

by proxy, must be achieved to approve the proposed amendment. This is a reasonable change as it puts the approval power in the hands of the owners who care to vote.

It makes practical sense that those who participate are those who influence the outcome. Owners have a responsibility to vote on community issues.

Understanding the significance of a quorum helps all homeowners be better neighbors.

Good news: You can be "at" a meeting and across the country at the same time by utilizing our HOAst voting system, that's the most convenient method to participate when you are out of town. Please encourage your neighbors and friends to enroll.

This proposed document is only the first of the proposed amendments that will require a vote of the Association. Our attorney is currently working on rewriting and modernizing all of our Governing documents and we will be planning a future town hall and meetings that will necessitate community involvement.

Many of the provisions in our current documents are written to primarily benefit the developer. The board's goal is to suggest changes that benefit the homeowners. The rest is up to the homeowners that decide to vote!

Enrolling In HOAst Electronic Voting

If you wish to receive an invitation to join, you may send a request to the Board of Directors at WCBoardofDirectors@swpropmgt.com or to Colby Williams at wccassistantmanager@swpropmgt.com

When you receive the invitation, it will include a user name and password allowing you to register for online voting. Please log in, establish your account and familiarize yourself with HOAst. Many if not all of your questions about HOAst can be answered by clicking on [Learn More About HOAst](#).



Thank you, Diane and Nihuel

Two original members of the Communications Committee have recently stepped down: Diane Jensen and Nihuel Martinovic. Their contributions were greatly valued, and we want to be sure that we and our community recognize their efforts.

Diane worked tirelessly on the newsletter and was chairperson of the committee. Nihuel provided us with invaluable feedback on the committee's work products and took minutes, a job no one else wanted. Thank you for that.

Many thanks to both of them for their invaluable work on the committee. See you in the 'hood, Diane and Nihuel!

We would also like to welcome Bonnie Bell to the Communications Committee. Bonnie has jumped in with both feet, and has been a great addition!

Corvettes in Paradise Club

"...Yeah, my fuel-injected Stingray and a four-thirteen. Revvin' up our engines and it sounds real mean. Tach it up, tach it up, tach it up. Buddy, gonna shut you down." Since the early 1960's, Corvettes have been revving up more than their engines – they also rev up the hearts of many who appreciate both their beauty and mechanics. Here in WC, the Corvettes in Paradise Club provides a fun way to share that appreciation with your neighbors.

Co-founders, fiancés Donna Hubble and Fred Dugach, met through a corvette club, so it's no wonder they lit up while talking about their club experience. They share its mantra "You join for the cars, and you stay for the people." Donna and Fred, who have owned 6 Corvettes between them, say, "You love the car. You love driving and sharing it with others. You tell fellow owners about all the various events you have attended and share knowledge to get better

(referring to driving on high speed and autocross courses), and you have exchanges of such beauty."

Corvettes in Paradise is part of a national group of over 18 thousand Corvette owners, the National Council of Corvette Clubs, (NCCC, pronounced N triple C), and is one of the seventeen clubs in the Florida Region. Other than regional and national events, one of the club's benefits is participating in its many charitable efforts. Part of their dues goes to charities and scholarships. Fred and Donna, who are both officers (governor and president, respectively) have met thousands of people. "We just came back from a convention in Atlantic City. It's like a homecoming. We've been to several conventions, including fast tracks. Safety is critical in all events. It makes it more fun when you're not in trouble, and the *exhilaration...!*"

When Fred and Donna moved into WC and saw all the corvettes in the neighborhood, they decided to start Naples' second club. "You have to have 12 people for an NCCC club. We spoke with our activities director and in October of 2021 we put out an announcement for an informational meeting. 18 people showed up!" The group has grown to 22 members, including an owner of a brand new, beautiful, red C8. To join NCCC and be a voting member, you need to be a Corvette owner, but others are welcome to attend meetings and participate in events. Although all the current members are WC residents, their club is not exclusively for WC.



Donna and Fred enjoy the camaraderie so much that they are opening up their home for the September meeting, a cookout. Typically, they meet the 2nd Thursday of the month, at 6:30 p.m., in the amenity center event room. "We chose that day and time in order to promote dinner at Shady Palm prior to the meeting. We also like to promote other WC activities, and we typically have a group of members at Trivia Nights. You might remember seeing all the Corvettes in the Christmas parade – Fred was Santa!"

Fred's motto is, "They don't seem to be as much fun just looking at them in the garage." So take out your 'Vette and drive it over to their next meeting September 8th! Call Donna for details at 216-470-0774.

Introducing Your Board Vice President

Many of you have seen him running, and have never known his name. But Bill Bell, AKA B.C., is



now recognized wherever he goes in WC. As HOA Vice President, he is approached in the gym, the pool, at Shady Palm, and yes, he's even stopped along the road.

However, recognition is certainly not what he's after. When asked what accomplishments he felt the board should be proudest of, he answered, "I'm glad you asked, because it's definitely a collective effort. Replacing our landscaping company required all hands on deck, and we saved the HOA money. Shady Palm has received a lot of attention and upgrades—several you might not notice. We've had to hit the ground running, and we're just getting started."

His career having been one of service, it makes

sense that Bill sought to serve on our board. He retired as a Marine Corps colonel, then joined the ranks of the newly formed Department of Homeland Security—specifically the Transportation Security Administration (TSA). Apparently, he passed that sense of duty on to his children. "Our son flew Harrier jets in the Marine Corps, and our daughter is an attorney for TSA." Bill and his wife, Bonnie, bought in WC right after his second retirement, "We were living in northern Virginia, and visited here in December—need I say more? We bought without ever looking at another community."

As mentioned above, he's often seen out and about, enjoying the community, and interacting with staff and residents. But what exactly is the role of the VP? "Bill Powell likes to say if he's taken out, I'm his backup, but that's why he keeps his cardiologist close by—speaking, of course, of Dr. Mike Boriss who is also on the Board. Otherwise, we all have a job to do, and are liaisons to one or more advisory committees."

Other than serving his community, what does he enjoy about his new role? "The satisfaction of accomplishment toward the goal of keeping Winding Cypress how we found it, and possibly making it even better. Since we are the first homeowners' board for Winding Cypress, everything that we put in place has to be carefully considered and implemented so that it can continue into the future. Making headway on that is a huge accomplishment."

Having asked about what Bill enjoys about being on the board, we had to follow up with what he liked the least. "It sometimes gets in the way of my run or gym time and tends to interrupt my daily nap," he says laughing out loud. It appears our VP not only has a sense of duty, but also a sense of humor!

What is a cane toad and why is there so much talk about them?

The cane toad is a large, warty, poisonous amphibian and is considered to be one of the worst invasive species in the world. Their current population trend is increasing as they are outcompeting native species for resources, and doing so fervently in SW Florida. Their diet consists largely of insects, but they'll eat almost anything, including small birds, other reptiles and amphibians, and small mammals.

Let's begin with the general features of cane toads. They are brown or gray, stout, and fat with a chunky body. They have short legs with dry warty skin. Curiously, all toads are frogs, but all frogs are not toads.

Cane toads lay between 8,000 and 30,000 eggs at a time, and at any time of year. Because of their rapid population growth, and the danger they pose to our pets and native animal population, it is critical to know how to identify them—and know what to do with them once you've identified a toad as a *cane toad*.

The cane toad can be deadly when animals bite, lick, or eat them. This creature is toxic in all stages of life, and they secrete a sticky, milky poison called bufotoxin which affects the prey's heart and brain. Note: cane toad secretion of the parotid glands is highly irritating to human eyes and cuts on the skin. Handle cane toads with gloves and use extreme care to avoid toxins in the eyes.

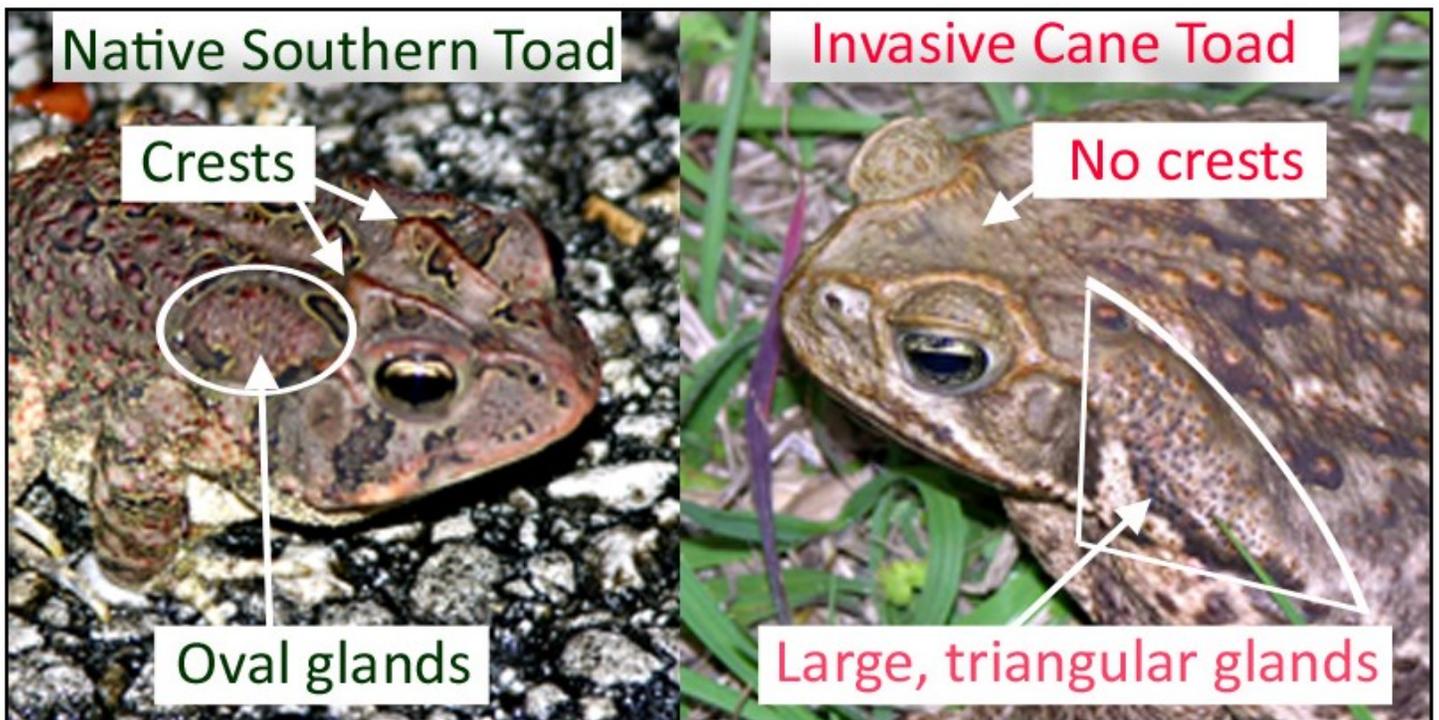
It is also important to know what to do if your pet contacts the toxins of this deadly creature. See Figures 1, 3, and 4 for the gland that contains the toxin. The white, sticky, milky substance shown is what carries the toxins. Ingesting or licking a cane toad can cause these symptoms: an animal may start acting strangely with frantic or disoriented behavior, shaking their head back and forth, may have brick-red gums, seizures, and foaming of the mouth. Immediately wash out your pet's mouth with a damp cloth and wipe gums, tongue, and roof of the mouth to remove the milky, white toxin, making your way to the nearest emergency veterinarian; be sure to call ahead and let them know that your pet is on the way and why. Keep the animal (and yourself) calm.



Determining which toads are cane toads can be confusing and scary if you are unfamiliar and enjoy the outdoors in our beautiful neighborhood. Chances are, if you find a toad that astounds you with its size, more than likely, it is a cane toad. Cane toads generally range in size from 6 to 9 inches in length! They can be confused with the native southern toad; however, adult cane toads are much larger than adult southern toads which only grow to a maximum of approximately 3 to 4 inches.

In figures 1, 2, and 4 on the previous page, notice the large, triangular shaped gland on the side of the cane toad's head/neck area. This is a true characteristic of the cane toad. In figure 3, one can clearly see an example of the flat, non-crested head of the cane toad.

Cane toads are rarely seen in the day as they are nocturnal creatures. They are most active from September to April. The most-commonly-heard sound made by the cane toad are deep, rolling calls. These sounds are far-carrying and can often be heard from a significant distance. To hear the nighttime sounds of the cane toad: [Click Here](#)



(Photo by: Steve A. Johnson, University of Florida)

Now that the cane toad can be identified, what are we to do about them? It is illegal to transport cane toads to another location. Therefore, collect poisonous cane toads by hand (with gloves on or with a bag on your hand) and humanely euthanize them by putting them into a disposable container in the refrigerator for 4 hours; then place into the freezer for a minimum of 24 hours. Once they have been "frozen," you can dispose of them securely in your weekly garbage pick-up. Alternatively, you can attempt to spray 20% benzocaine sunburn spray or lidocaine ointment on the back or lower belly of the toad. After a few minutes the toad will be rendered unconscious. Place in a baggie and store in the freezer for a week before putting in the trash.

These are set forth as humane protocols by the University of Florida Department of Ecology and Conservation. For anyone who is not comfortable with these and wishes to acquire the services of a professional, there are an abundance of local companies that have monthly contracts or can be hired as needed.



Committee Corner

Committee Corner is a new column in the newsletter featuring news from Winding Cypress's committees.

Architectural Review Committee Topic—Paint

As many of the houses in Winding Cypress age, a common maintenance task is house painting. Painting is an excellent way to immediately add value to your home and the Winding Cypress community. Did you know that an ARC application is required to paint your home—even if you have decided to paint it the same colors?

Please go to the Winding Cypress website or AppFolio for forms and paint colors link. There you will see the many approved Sherwin Williams color choices and color pallets available.

A common question is whether you need to use Sherwin-Williams instead of one of the many other paint sellers in the area. The answer is YES. Only Sherwin Williams can mix the exact shades found on the WC approved list. You may have seen a commercial on TV that points out what happens when you try to use another paint company to mix your desired colors. There can never be an exact match. It is also required that homeowners choose a stucco color for stucco, trim colors for trim, door colors for doors, and so on.

Upon completion of your project, you must fill out your return deposit form. Your home will be inspected for compliance prior to a check being returned. The inspection will include verification of your paint choices with Sherwin-William paint swatches.

Beginning August 15, 2022, SW Property Management will have available at the Amenity Center a book to view all approved Sherwin-Williams paint swatches for Winding Cypress. We realize it is difficult to see actual paint colors from your computer or a printed copy and we hope this will make your selections a bit easier before you visit one of the many Sherwin-Williams stores in Naples.

If you have any questions regarding your paint project, or any other exterior projects for your home, please contact Colby Williams at wcassis-tantmanager@swpropmgt.com

Thank you from your ARC Committee and neighbors for keeping Winding Cypress our lovely piece of paradise!

Compliance Committee Topics—Garage Doors, Signs, Pets, and Driveways

The Compliance Committee endeavors to promote understanding of the WC governing documents we all agreed to honor when purchasing our homes and to help limit violations in the future.

First and foremost: if you are making changes to your home, make sure you refer to the ARC guidelines and submit an ARC application for approval of your changes *before* you contract for them. (*Please go to the Winding Cypress website or AppFolio for forms.*) If your changes involve plumbing, electrical, or structural changes or improvements, it is important to also make sure you file with Collier County for a building permit.

Here are some easy ones to follow:

- **Garage Doors**
Garage doors are only to be opened and closed for short periods of time such as such as pulling a car out/in, taking trash containers out, or when you are doing property maintenance which requires your going in and out of the garage for equipment.

No garage doors may remain partially closed. They must be fully closed.

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If you installed garage door electronic screens, they may be used during the heat of the day but must be retracted and the garage door itself closed by 7:00 PM daily.

Electronic screens may not be used 24 hours a day.

- Signs

No signs or advertisements of any kind, including, without limitation, those of realtors, contractors, and subcontractors, shall be erected within Winding Cypress without the prior written consent of the Board of Directors or in accordance with the Rules and Regulations and Architectural Review Guidelines.

- Pets and Animals

No animals, livestock, or poultry of any kind shall be raised, bred or kept on any Parcel, except that dogs, cats and other usual and non-exotic household pets (not to exceed a total of three (3) pets, excluding tropical fish) may be kept (except for pit bulls, "wolf hybrids," or other dogs prone to or exhibiting aggressive behavior), provided they are not kept, bred or maintained for commercial purposes. All animals shall be contained on the Owner's Parcel and shall not be permitted to run freely. When outside the Owner's Unit, all pets must be carried or secured with a hand held leash. The Owner or other owner of a permitted pet must pick up all solid waste and deposit it in an appropriate trash container.

- Driveways and Parking Areas

All driveways shall be constructed of concrete or paver stones. The Owner shall be obligated to keep his driveway clean and well maintained.

If you see a violation, you may report it to windingcypresscompliance@aol.com

Finance Committee

Topics—Turnover and Annual Audits, 2023 Budget, Event Planning/Pricing and Refunds

- Turnover and Annual Audits

The Finance Committee reviewed the fiscal year (FY) 2021 Audited Financial Statements and the Turnover Audit Report prepared by Stroemer & Co. for Pulte.

After an extensive review of these reports, the Finance Committee had a number of questions but felt the response from Pulte was insufficient.

Therefore, the committee felt it was our fiduciary responsibility to the community to recommend to the Board that a Forensic Review of the Turnover Audit be performed by an independent third party. We therefore recommended the firm of Gerstle, Rosen and Goldenberg, P.A. The Board concurred and approved this change.

- 2023 Budget

The Winding Cypress FY 23 Budgeting process has begun. In conjunction with SWPM, the Finance Committee is gathering all the necessary information to facilitate the process.

We intend to enlist the help of all the committees in compiling the capital equipment and other expenses they feel they need to support their mission to the community both in the short and long term. We expect to complete the budgeting process at the end of September or early October.

- Event Planning Pricing and Refunds

We are working on a process for setting ticket prices for WC Events. This new process requires budgeting the estimated cost of all line items that go into each event such as entertainment, food cost, tips, sales tax, labor etc. Events will be reviewed to evaluate how well budget estimates matched actual expenses so future

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pricing can be adjusted as appropriate.

As part of the pricing process, a simplified refund policy has been proposed. Any refund requests must be made before the announced refund cancellation date of the event, ensuring that the community can honor its financial commitments to food vendors, entertainment personnel, etc. The new policy allows for tickets to be transferred to other people in the community and, in rare circumstances, exceptions to these cases may be made with the approval of the WC property manager.

Shady Palm Committee Topics—New business systems, fan repairs

We hope many of you enjoyed the Fourth of July at the Shady Palm! July has been busy behind the scenes for Shady Palm as well. We installed a business system called Margin Edge that works in conjunction with our TouchBistro system, to keep our accounting, pricing, and inventory current. This will be a big help for our manager, Kaitlin O'Dubdha, in her daily paperwork and in providing our budgets for the future. We are also installing Kickfin, which will allow us to pay our waitstaff tips without using cash.

Several ceiling fans on the right side of the cafe were repaired, so there are nice breezes on hot summer days all through the restaurant.

Thanks to those who frequent the Shady Palm often—continue to do so and help keep it a success!



Maintenance Supervisor Derrick Olan & resident George Zimmerman unpacking new wind screens for the tennis courts



Tails were wagging on July 25 as Winding Cypress welcomed its first food truck, Dawg Pound—home of “Gourmet Hot Dogs with a Twist”.

Tennis Club member Frank Puglia hangs new wind screens on the tennis courts



Social Activities & Events Update

Summer may be here and the snowbirds have flown north, but there are still lots of things to do in WC in August! Be sure to check e-blasts and the WC website regularly for updates.

Also, if you have reserved an area in or outside the Amenity Center for a private event, please touch base with Maribeth to confirm. We want to ensure all previously-made reservations are appropriately logged and accounted for.

Finding HOA Governance Documents Quickly and Easily

As reported in the July newsletter, you, our readers, are very interested in knowing more about our governance documents which consist of:

- Covenants and Restrictions
- Bylaws
- Rule and Regulations
- Rules Governing Inspection and Copying of Official Records

The documents may be found on the community website, windingcypress.org.

Also included in the governance documents, a new document called “Covenants and Amendments Cross Reference” may be found. This document cross references and/or summarizes the various covenants and restrictions, amendments, and rules and regulations. The Rules Governing Inspection and Copying of Official Records is self-explanatory.

How might a homeowner use this new cross reference? For example, if you want to see governance documents that relate to home use, you would start with the “Covenants and Restrictions” tab. It refers you to:

- Covenants and Restrictions 9, pp 24-28 – Use Restrictions
- Amendments 30 and 38 to Covenants and Restrictions

The “Bylaws” tab leads you to:

Bylaws Section 7, p. 10 – Rules and Regulations: Use Restrictions

And finally, the “Rules and Regulations” tab shows:

- Rules and Regulations Section 1, p. 1 – Residential Purpose

This cross reference allows you to go to the correct document without having to open and search through every one to find what you’re looking for.

There’s more good news with regard to these documents, too. The Board of Directors has asked the HOA’s law firm to review the governance documents. The firm will also be updating and organizing the documents to make it even easier for homeowners to find and use the information they seek.

The “new and improved” governance documents will hopefully be ready for publication by the end of the year.

Did you know...

that of 740 eligible homes, only 379 homes within Winding Cypress have registered for **HOAst online voting?**

This means that the rest of the homes (**361!**) will need to be mailed paper ballots, wasting paper and costing the HOA (aka YOU) money!

To enroll in **HOAst**, send a request to the Board of Directors at WCBoardofDirectors@swpropmgt.com or to Colby Williams at wcaassistantmanager@swpropmgt.com

Please do it now! Thank you from your fellow neighbors and Board of Directors!

Welcome New Neighbors!

If you have recently joined the Winding Cypress community and would like to be introduced to your neighbors via the newsletter, we'd love to do so!

Please send an email message to windingcypresscomm@gmail.com with the following:

- Your name and the name of anyone in your household who'd like to be introduced
- Your street address or phase, if you do not want your address shared
- The month and year of your arrival in the community
- Where you moved from
- Any information such as pets, interests, etc. that you'd like your neighbors to know
- Optional: A photo of you and anyone in your household who'd like to be introduced (this includes pets!)

Calling All Photographers!

You don't have to be a professional to take a show-stopping photo here in Naples! The flora, fauna, and overall ambiance provide the perfect backdrop to your next Ansel Adams-worthy shot! Beginning with the September newsletter, we're once again providing an opportunity for all residents to submit your best photo for a chance at becoming the WC newsletter cover! And even if your photo is not selected for the cover, it could still appear in the newsletter. All photos used will be credited to the photographer, so be sure to include your name in the email.

Please note: due to an overwhelming number of great photos received in the past, we ask that you limit your submissions to one per month per person.

Send your photo (in .jpg format, please) by August 20 to windingcypresscomm@gmail.com. The September newsletter will carry the photo submitted by the first winner of the contest.



Removing or Replacing Trees

Winding Cypress' beauty is partly natural and partly a result of great landscape planning. Our community's landscape designers had to follow the Collier County Land Development Code, and whenever we make landscape changes, we must too. So if you enjoy tweaking your landscape, in particular, removing and/or replacing trees, make sure you're complying with the code. Of course, the easy way to do this is to rely on the knowledge of the Architectural Review Committee (ARC). All modifications or alterations to the exterior of your home or lot must be approved in advance by the ARC. If you've removed/replaced trees without prior approval, please submit an application indicating that the work has been completed. (Please access the forms on the HOA website, or go to AppFolio to submit an Architectural Review Request.) But if you like to do your own research prior to applying for a change, here's some valuable information.

Chapter 4.06.05 of the Collier County, Florida Land Development Code specifies a minimum number of "canopy" trees per the amount of pervious ground on your lot. *In rough terms, your lot size minus your home's footprint determines how many approved native trees you must have.*

According to Mark Templeton, Principal Planner for Collier County, besides adhering to the minimum number of trees, there are also very specific requirements as to the type, size, and quality of the trees, planting setback guidelines, and placement of root barrier systems in Collier communities.

Lots in WC with a sidewalk in front of the house may count the Live Oaks planted in the strip between the sidewalk and the street, towards the canopy tree requirement (even though that area is considered common area). Remember that you may not make alterations to any common areas, as they are under the purview of the HOA.

County code:

https://library.municode.com/fl/collier_county/codes/land_development_code?nodeId=CH4SIDEDEST_4.06.00LABUVERE_4.06.04TRVEPR

General landscape requirements:

<https://www.colliercountyfl.gov/home/showdocument?id=51118>

Cultivated tree removal info:

<https://www.colliercountyfl.gov/home/showpublisheddocument?id=93641>



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<p>1</p> <p>DVD Fitness- Men's Breakfast- Barre Fitness- Mah-jongg Bocce Social</p> <p>Monday Night Food Truck</p>	<p>2</p> <p>DVD Fitness Water Aerobics Cardio Circuit Mixed Social Tennis Texas Hold 'em</p>	<p>3</p> <p>DVD Fitness Hand, Foot & Elbow Bocce Social Poker Night</p>	<p>4</p> <p>DVD Fitness Water Aerobics- Womens Double Tennis Hook, Yarn & Needle</p>	<p>5</p> <p>DVD Fitness Mah-Jongg Men's Golf</p>	<p>6</p> <p>DVD Fitness Cardio Circuit Mixed Social Tennis Top Golf</p>
<p>7</p> <p>DVD Fitness Water Aerobics Men's Double Tennis</p>	<p>8</p> <p>DVD Fitness Barre Fitness Mah-jongg Bocce Social Book Club Jam sessions</p> <p>Monday Night Food Truck</p>	<p>9</p> <p>DVD Fitness Water Aerobics Cardio Circuit Mixed Social Tennis Lades Lunch</p> <p>Gym Orientation w/ Linda @ 5:30 pm</p>	<p>10</p> <p>DVD Fitness Hand, Foot & Elbow Bocce Social Poker Night</p>	<p>11</p> <p>DVD Fitness Water Aerobics Womens Double Tennis Hook, Yarn & Needle</p> <p>BINGO</p>	<p>12</p> <p>DVD Fitness Mah-Jongg Men's Golf Karaoke Night</p>	<p>13</p> <p>DVD Fitness Cardio Circuit Mixed Social Tennis</p>
<p>14</p> <p>DVD Fitness Water Aerobics Men's Double Tennis</p>	<p>15</p> <p>DVD Fitness Men's Breakfast Barre Fitness Mah-jongg Bocce Social</p> <p>Monday Night Food Truck</p>	<p>16</p> <p>DVD Fitness Water Aerobics Cardio Circuit Mixed Social Tennis Texas Hold 'em</p> <p>Seminole Casino</p>	<p>17</p> <p>DVD Fitness Hand, Foot & Elbow Bocce Social Poker Night</p>	<p>18</p> <p>DVD Fitness Water Aerobics- Womens Double Tennis Hook, Yarn & Needle</p>	<p>19</p> <p>DVD Fitness Mah-Jongg Men's Golf</p>	<p>20</p> <p>DVD Fitness Cardio Circuit Mixed Social Tennis</p>
<p>21</p> <p>DVD Fitness Water Aerobics Men's Double Tennis</p>	<p>22</p> <p>DVD Fitness Barre Fitness Mah-jongg Bocce Social Jam Sessions</p>	<p>23</p> <p>DVD Fitness Water Aerobics Cardio Circuit Mixed Social Tennis Texas Hold 'em</p>	<p>24</p> <p>DVD Fitness Hand, Foot & Elbow Bocce Social Poker Night</p>	<p>25</p> <p>DVD Fitness Water Aerobics- Womens Double Tennis Hook, Yarn & Needle</p> <p>Trivia</p>	<p>26</p> <p>DVD Fitness Mah-Jongg Men's Golf</p>	<p>27</p> <p>DVD Fitness Cardio Circuit Mixed Social Tennis</p>
<p>28</p> <p>DVD Fitness Water Aerobics Men's Double Tennis</p> <p>Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre</p>	<p>29</p> <p>DVD Fitness Barre Fitness Mah-jongg Bocce Social</p>	<p>30</p> <p>DVD Fitness Water Aerobics Cardio Circuit Mixed Social Tennis</p>	<p>31</p> <p>DVD Fitness Hand, Foot & Elbow Bocce Social Poker Night</p>			

Winding Cypress Motion Room Schedule

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
A.M.	6:45 - 7:45	DVR Walking	DVR Walking	DVR Walking	DVR Walking	DVR Walking	DVR Walking
	8:00 - 9:00	Pilates w/ Elaine	Circuit training w/ Renee		Beg. Yoga w/ Lisa Ann		
	9:15 - 10:15	DVR Walking	Zumba w/Daisy	DVR Walking	Circuit training w/ Renee	DVR Walking	DVR Walking
	10 - 11		Water Aerobics		Water Aerobics		Water Aerobics
	10:30 - 11:30		DVR Walking		DVR Walking		
P.M.	4:00 - 5:00						
	5:15 - 6:00						

SPECIAL AUGUST CLASS: There will be a Fitness Center Orientation, led by resident Linda Herzog, on **August 9th at 5:30 p.m.** Please arrive prior to 5:30 and wear appropriate attire if you plan to use the equipment. Hope to see you there!