Hammocks Happenings

The Hammocks: The Nicest Community on the Sun Coast November 25, 2019

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

Upcoming Meetings & Events

- <u>The Hammock's HOA</u> does **not** have a December board meeting scheduled at this time.
- Hammock's January HOA board meeting: Thursday, January 23, 2020 at 5:00 PM in the RW Community Center.
- The RW Master HOA does not have a December board meeting scheduled at this time.
- RW Master HOA's January board meeting: Tuesday, January 21, 2020 at 6:30 PM in the RW Community Center.

HOA Board Notes

- As noted above neither the Hammock's HOA board nor the RW Master HOA board have board meetings scheduled in December.
- Also note that the January and June board meetings for the RW Master HOA will be evening meetings starting at 6:30 PM.
- The Hammock's HOA board held their Annual Member's meeting on November 19th. One important task at the Annual Meeting is the election of board members. The terms of three board members were to expire in November. Two of the board members whose terms were expiring, Donna Tosoni and Nancy Tilbe, decided not to seek reelection. One incumbent and two new candidates were seeking the three open positions on the board and as a such no election was necessary.

The board and the entire community want to say 'thank you' to Donna and Nancy for their years of hard work and commitment to the Hammocks. Good luck in all your future endeavors. At the same time we salute retiring board members we want to say 'welcome' to two new members June Seaton and Ron Wooldridge.

Current Board:

John Callaghan
Barb Burtt
Sherry Zabikow
Doris Seckman

President
Vice President
Treasurer
Secretary

June Seaton Member at Large
Jack Afflebach Member at Large
Ron Wooldridge Member at Large

A Reminder or Two (or Three)

- As the holidays approach many of you will be heading out to celebrated in cooler climes. But many of you will also be entertaining friends and relative here in the Hammocks. Remember that if a guest leaves their car overnight in your driveway you need to secure an orange 'visitor sticker' from the front gate. Simply adhere this small oval placard to the rear window of the visitor's car. The placard will peel off easily at the end of the visit.
- Remember that no glass items are permitted in the Hammock's community pool area. It's common sense that with bare feet running across the pool deck a broken bottle or any shattered glass would be problematic but sometimes common sense is not as common as you would hope.
- Friday's garbage pick-up will be delayed one day until Saturday.

Irrigation Hours and Restrictions

Manatee County has certain restrictions regarding the irrigation of existing lawns. These restrictions are not new and they are not enforced by the Hammock's HOA. These restrictions are administered and enforced by Manatee County.

- Irrigation of existing lawns and landscaping is limited to once a day, two times per week.
- Irrigation days are by address.
- Irrigation is only allowed before 10 a.m. or after 4 p.m. on approved days.

Restrictions apply to all potable (drinking) water and all irrigation waters that come from wells, surface water sources including retention ponds, rivers, lakes, etc. Violations of this directive carry fines up to \$10,000 as provided for under Florida Statute §373.129(5).

Watering Days by Address

- EVEN addresses (last digit is 0, 2, 4, 6 or 8) may only irrigate Thursday AND/OR Sunday
- ODD addresses (last digit is 1, 3, 5, 7 or 9) may only irrigate Wednesday AND/OR Saturday
- Properties without addresses may only irrigate on Tuesday AND/OR Friday

Hand Watering and Micro or Drip Irrigation

 Hand watering and micro-irrigation or drip-irrigation of plants, shrubs and trees (lawn areas excluded) can be done on any day of the week and at any time of the day. Use a shut-off nozzle on the hose.

Fountains, Car Washing and Pressure Washing

There are no restrictions on fountains, car washing and pressure washing.

There are special accommodations for new sod projects. Property owners should contact the Water Conservation Office at (941) 792-8811 ext 5327 to register a new landscape project. You may also visit the Manatee County website and click on the 'Residents' tab for more information regarding irrigation.

Fall Harvest

The Hammock's social committee sponsored a fall-themed neighborhood pool party in early November. The way the pool area was decorated you almost thought you were 'úp north' with all of the fall colors on display. The food was just great. Ham and/or turkey sandwiches with all of the fixing and a dessert table that seemed to go on forever. Thanks to the neighbors that are on the social committee and that put together a great event and thanks to everyone that attended. One salad that received rave reviews was the broccoli salad that Teresa Dean added to the table. The recipe for that salad can be found below.

Broccoli Salad From the kitchen of Teresa Dean

Below you will find the recipe as I made it for the Hammock's Fall Festival. This can be varied to your taste and preference. I sometimes add Cauliflower, sliced almonds or cashews, and/or diced cheese. The dressing may be sweeter, or tangier based upon the amount of sugar or vinegar you choose to use. This is best if mixed together and allowed to sit in the refrigerator for an hour or so. Have fun and enjoy!

2-3 heads of Broccoli cut into tiny florets

3/4 cup thinly sliced carrots (julienned)

½ of a medium red onion diced

½ cup diced red bell pepper

½ cup white raisins

½ cup dried cranberries

½ cup sunflower seeds

½ cup pumpkin seeds

Sauce:

1 cup Olive Oil Mayonnaise

1/4 cup Apple Cider Vinegar

3 Tablespoons Sugar

Salt and Pepper to taste.

Travel safely and have a great Thanksgiving!