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Hammocks Beautification Committee

“TO HAVE COMMUNITY DRIVEN
PARTICIPATION, THAT RESULTS IN THE MOST
BEAUTIFUL COMMON AREA AND HOME
LANDSCAPING IN RIVER WILDERNESS”



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Introduction:

The Hammocks Beautification Committee would like to communicate with our community to let them know what has been accomplished and what we would like to accomplish, to solicit more volunteers, to fund raise for small donations, and provide some helpful gardening tips.

The Committee has a core team and those members are listed in the right-hand column. However, we have ad hoc members who participate in cleaning our common areas in conjunction with committee members.

The Beautification Committee picks up where the BrightView landscaping contract ends.

2020 Projects Completed:

July/August – Pond 44 (dead duck pond) common area and WFD/MRD circle – several clean up days to remove downed branches and moss to keep this area looking well kept; swept the gutters; applied fertilize and pesticide; hand weeded

August -- WFD oval – fertilized and trimmed newly planted Ti plants

August/Sept. – Hammocks sign – good trimming of shrubs on both sides; replaced old flowers with new ones



August/Sept. – Jasmine area WFD – hand weeding, trimming, moss pick up, preserve weeding and trimming of overhanging limbs



August - MRD Fence area –hand weed, moss clean up, EZ seed application; added donated Ginger plants



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WFD/MRD circle to keep the circle in good condition.

3. Working with the Board to improve the perimeter of the pool deck with removing oak tree roots, adding edging, adding stones, and adding flowers.
4. Keeping the common areas at the pond area and the MRD/WFD area picked up: removing fallen twigs and moss.
5. Monthly scheduled clean up days.

Beautification Committee Tip:

For beautification tips go to Manatee County Agriculture and Extension Service, which has a link to Master Gardener e-newsletter, *The Garden Branch*, <https://sfyl.ifas.ufl.edu/manatee/>, and their contact information

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Plant Clinic Now Open at Extension

Every Tuesday and Thursday morning from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M., Master Gardener Volunteers will be present in our Plant Clinic at Extension. You are welcome to phone (941-722-4524) or drop by in person (1303 17th St. W., Palmetto.). We do require masks and social distancing if you come in person! Other days you can leave us a voice-mail message or submit a request via our online submission form: https://ufl.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0NfIZ3fyEWluf0F

Future Projects:

1. Monitoring, pruning, replacing as needed flowers at the pool area and other common areas.
2. Working with the Board to remove the dead flower and replace them with new ones at the

Volunteers are welcome!

Donations are appreciated to buy paper bags, fertilizer, etc.

Contact:

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Let us make the Hammocks Beautiful!!!!

Other ideas to get the community involved:

Start a 50/50 raffle to collect funds for the projects listed above. 1 ticket \$5; 6 tickets \$10

To replace the bench that broke on WFD overseeing Pond 41, we thought there may be a person or persons who would want to buy a new bench and dedicate it to a loved one or pet. A plaque would be displayed on the bench. Open this link to see:

<https://www.thebenchfactory.com/classic-park-benches>

Another item could be a donation for an oak tree and dedicated to the memory of a loved one or pet with a brick plaque at the foot of the tree. The Hammocks need to replace 2 oak trees on Pond 43.

Please let us know your thoughts on these ideas or if you have any other ideas. ***We have not heard from you!!!!***

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