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## MESSAGE from the BOARD

Hello Neighbors,

The Board has been very busy upgrading, filing, questioning, listening and searching for answers to the many questions the community has had but never received answers. First in line are your Directors: Steve Reinhardt, Cindy Dean, Marissa White, Ginny Vanderkelen, Mike Kunz and Collin Nole. As a group of directors, we collectively decide on all matters governing our community in the form of Operations and Deed Restrictions which are guided by many Federal, State and Local Laws. This Board has not operated in secrecy or played favorites but has rather operated by a Code of Conduct - to be open, fair and consistent. With the election for River Country coming up at the October General Meeting we hope you keep this in mind when casting your vote. Within the office, we have updated the computer and its operating system. We have spent many hours organizing the members files and are currently working on digitizing many operational files as well as past data stored in boxes. As we move forward, we are looking back in history to get those questions answered about River Country Estates, 40 years of changes and mystery makes for a great movie. The DRAC Committee, consisting of Jonathan White, Joe Spellman and Paul Grochowski, have been very successful meeting with homeowners and in some cases just simply reaching out with a phone call. The Board and DRAC believes that communication between the HOA and The Community promotes a healthy relationship for the future. In closing, we can't forget the homeowners who volunteer their time when called upon. You are invited to meet your neighbors at the upcoming Shed meeting this month. Volunteers will be needed to collect votes so if you have some time and wish to meet neighbors and be a part making the community function better the Board would like to hear from you.

-RCEOA Board

#### RIVER COUNTRY CONTACT INFORMATION

River Country HOA	
e-mail	
River Country Estates has a new websit	te
New Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesda and Saturday 9:00 to 12:00 PM	y and Thursday 1:00 to 5:00 PM

#### RIVER COUNTRY ESTATES BOARD of DIRECTORS

President	Steve Reinhardt
Vice-President	Cindy Dean
Treasurer	Marissa White
Secretary –	Ginny Vanderkelen
Director	Mike Kunz
Director	Collin Nole

Board meetings are held the 2nd Monday of the month at 4 PM - 5331 Commercial Way, Suite 106, Spring Hill FL 34606

#### **IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS**

Hernando County Sheriff Police (Emergency Only)	352-754-6830
Emergency Info/General Info	352-754-4083
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## COMMUNITY SURVEY



The survey is here, please visit https://s.surveyplanet.com/lern54xw The survey has11 questions- only 4-6 mins of your time. Survey results will be discussed at the next board meeting and actions taken as feasible. Survey results will also be shared in next newsletter. Those who provide an email will receive feedback via email. Thank you in advance for your input.

# SCHOOL'S OPEN - DRIVE CAREFULLY:

As the new school year is here. Remember, We do not have side-walks in our community and our children walk on the roads sometimes in traffic. In the A.M. hours it is not uncommon to come across a child dressed in dark clothes walking down the roadway remaining unseen until the last minute. We all know the Speed Limit is 30mph – Do not be the one the Sheriff's cites with a Citation. Our kids are precious. – Please Drive Carefully

## UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS:

- 1. **Shed Meeting** Saturday, September 16, 2023 at 4pm in River Country Community Park 7788 Jomel Dr. Weeki Wachee Fl. 34607 Discussion; Shed update, requesting volunteers to acquire votes, Over view of shed requirements if vote past.
- 2. October General Meeting Tuesday October 10, 2023 at 6:00pm Regency Oaks Clubhouse 4455 Breakwater Blvd. Spring Hill Fl. 34607
- 3. Community Yard Sale November 3-5, 2023. Friday-Saturday-Sunday (No Permits needed)

## **NEWSLETTER UPDATE:**

Electronic version of the newsletter will be produced if there is interest. It can be shared via Social media (FB), however the primary means of delivery will be email. If you would like to participate please send a note to rivercountrynewsletter@gmail.com stating "I OPT IN" Your email will not be used for any other purpose other than the electronic newsletter.

# CORRECTION from AUGUST Newsletter

Homeowners have created as pet directory on social media for the residents of the River Country Community. Log onto Facebook - search "River Country Estates Pet Directory" then follow and register. You can also register your pets on this site even if you do not have Facebook simply contact the RCEOA office and ask to speak with a Pet Directory Administration.



Many of our residents love our Park, but over the years it has become in disarray. We are asking the community for input and opinions on ideas to make it a better place to be able to visit daily. There are survey questions pertaining to the park; please provide your thoughts. The park is privately owned by the RCEOA Community, although it is a community greenspace it is not a registered bird sanctuary since the park is privately owned, the RCEOA has no intentions of changing this status and actually want to expand the way wildlife thrives and is viewed.



## OPEN INFRA INTERNET - UPDATE

GOOD NEWS- Open Infra has contacted us and we have met the requested goal of 52% to move forward with the infrastructure and installation within our community. The expected start time for this project is approximately two (2) months.

Now that 52% of the residents of the HOA have signed up, Open Infra can start preparing for construction.

*Open Infra construction process includes:* 

- Putting Fiber underground in the right of way/utility easement.
- Digging holes, approximately 50'-70' apart in the right of way.
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## Terms to Know:

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Tropical Disturbance:

First stage of unstable weather which may develop progressively into a hurricane.

<u>Tropical Depression:</u>
The disturbance is continuing to form the earliest pattern of a potential hurricane because a clearly defined low pressure area is emerging. The highest wind speed is 38 miles per hour.

Tropical Storm:
The wind speed has increased to 39-73 miles per hour, as the now distinct low pressure area is well defined by a rotating circulation.

**Tropical Storm Watch:** 

An announcement for specific areas that a tropical storm, or the potential of a newly developing tropical storm posses a threat to coastal areas, generally within 36 hours.

**Tropical Storm Warning:** 

A warning that the tropical storm conditions, including possible sustained winds within the rang of 39-73 miles per hour, are expected in specific coastal areas within 24

#### **Hurricane:**

Once a tropical storm's constant wind speed reaches 74 miles per hour or great, it is classified as a hurricane.

#### **Hurricane Watch:**

An announcement for specific areas that a hurricane or hurricane conditions pose a threat to a coastal area, generally within 36 hours.

**Hurricane Warning:** 

A warning that a hurricane is expected in a specific coastal area within 24 hours. When a hurricane warning is issued, all precautions should be taken immediately. If the hurricane's path is unusual or erratic, the warning may be issued only a few hours before the beginning of hurricane conditions.

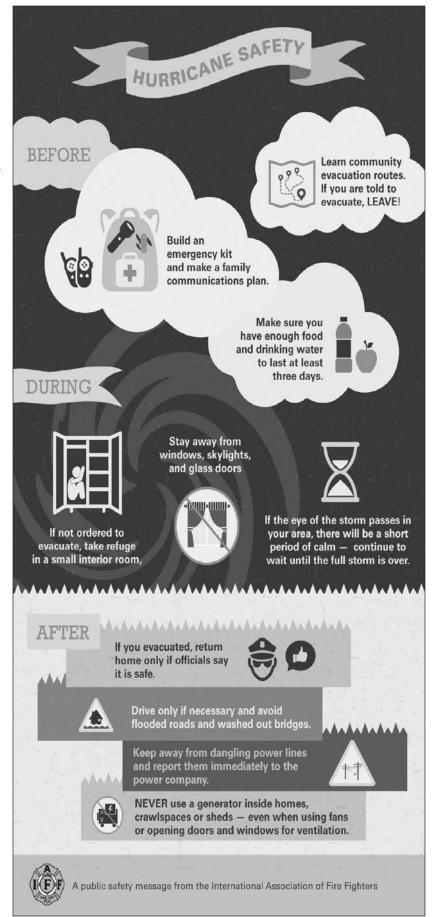
**Small Craft Advisory:** 

When winds 21-38 miles per hour (18-33 knots) or hazardous wave conditions threaten a coastal area, small craft operators are advised to remain in port or not to venture into the open sea.

Safir/Simpson Hurricane Scale

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Category	Wind	Storm Surge
I	74-95 mph	4-5 ft.
II	96-110 mph	6-8 ft.
III	111-130 mph	9-12 ft.
IV	131-155 mph	13-18 ft.
V	155+	18+

<sup>\*</sup>Surge heights in the Tampa Bay Region could be significantly higher.



## **COMMON CRIMES** within a COMMUNITY:



**Burglaries** Often happen during the daytime hours when the criminals know that most homeowners are not home. they may pose as a contractor at your residence for maintenance or repair. Talk with your neighbors to contact you immediately should they see something suspicious.

Point of Opportunity These are usually committed during the evening hours using the darkness (11pm - 5am.) approaching your property and entering your unlocked auto, removing yard decorations or even maliciously dispersing glass/nails around the community roadways. By keeping your vehicle locked and secure, or securing lawn ornaments which may take time to be removed is a way you can avoid this point of opportunity. Having cameras at your residence and checking them upon hearing about community disturbances is another way to make our community safer.

**Domestic Violence** The crime nobody wants to talk about that can happen at any hour of the day to any person with all different levels of violence. Lots of times not reported until it's too late. If you see, hear or suspect this don't be afraid to let someone know.

## SHERIFF'S REPORT

as of July 12, 2023

This stops/citations were conducted within River Country:

5 Stops - 3 citations issued Speeding Stop Signs 2 Stops - 2 citations issued

Top Speed 45mph

## **DEED RESTRICTIONS**

Advisory Committee:

DRAC is looking for volunteers who have good communication skills and can assist a homeowner to correct any violation of River Country's Deed Restrictions. Their goal is to promote a better community through face to face communication and avoid any legal actions. If you have not read the DEED restrictions lately and are in need of a copy contact the RCEOA Office and a DRAC member will assist you.





# LCOME

Lets give a BIG, WARM, FAMILY Welcome to our New River Country Estates residents.

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- Hanlon 8191 Floral Dr.
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# Tasty Temptations SHRIMP & MUSHROOM LINGUINI

with Creamy Cheese Herb Sauce

Prep Time: 15 mins • Cook Time: 15 mins • Total Time: 30 mins

#### **INGREDIENTS**

1 (8 ounce) package linguini pasta

2 tablespoons butter

1/2 pound fresh mushrooms, sliced

1/2 cup butter

2 cloves garlic, minced

1 (3 ounce) package cream cheese

2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley

3/4 teaspoon dried basil

2/3 cup boiling water

1/2 pound cooked shrimp

#### **DIRECTIONS**

Bring a large pot of lightly salted water to a boil. Add linguini and cook until tender, about 7 minutes. Drain.

Meanwhile, heat 2 tablespoons butter in a large skillet over medium-high heat. Add mushrooms; cook and stir until tender. Transfer to a plate.

In the same pan, melt 1/2 cup butter with the minced garlic. Stir in the cream cheese, breaking it up with a spoon as it melts. Stir in the parsley and basil. Simmer for 5 minutes. Mix in boiling water until sauce is smooth. Stir in cooked shrimp and mushrooms; heat sauce through.

Toss linguini with shrimp sauce and serve.

### **NO SOLICITING ARTICLE:**

There has been some discussion about NO soliciting signs in an HOA and are they enforceable?

An article posted on spectrumam.com states that "Many associations, whether gated or not, post "No Solicitation" signs at the entrance(s) or throughout the community. However, the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution states that "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

So, what does this mean? It means that the door-to-door salespeople canvassing your community have a constitutional right to be there.

Since 1976, the Supreme Court has upheld free speech for commercial purposes. Now, that doesn't mean that the homeowner has no right to privacy on their private property. Visit https://spectrumam.com/no-soliciting-sign/ for more information.

# HERNANDO COUNTY WATERING SCHEDIJE

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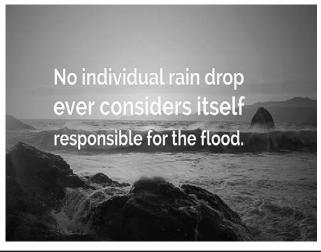
\*\*\*More info can be found at www.HernandoCounty.us/HCUDConservation If your House number ends in:

0 and 1 on Monday 2 and 3 on Tuesday 4 and 5 on Wednesday 6 and 7 on Thursday 8 and 9 on Friday No Watering Days Sat & Sun

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	5		2		6			
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## Word Search

See how many of these newspaper related words you can find in the puzzle. The words can be forward, backward or diagonal.

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- SEPTEMBER
- WORK
- LONG
- WEEKEND
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