

Spring 2016

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President's Corner

Community Update

Our HOA has been working diligently on the curb appeal of our neighborhood. We have recently added plantings and mulch to many of our common areas. We have added 3 additional benches throughout the community. The hedge of Clusia planted along Dunhill Ct and Village Parkway is starting to fill in, and we will be starting the second phase this Spring.

Remodeling of our fitness room will begin June 6th and should last around a week. Check our website for updates.

A welcome to the many new residents of Heritage Oaks. Remember to check our website to find out what's going on in our community, as well as the portal to the gatehouse visitor program, governing documents, ARC forms and important phone numbers. We also have a suggestion box and work order request on the site.

Enjoy the Spring!

Norm Ytkin, HOA President

Please Obey All Traffic Rules And Regulations

While Driving Through Heritage Oaks

Rules Will Be Enforced In 2016

And Fines Will Be Issued

Lets Enjoy A Safe Community And Protect Our Families



Property Manager's Corner

By Scott Montagna-LCAM, CMCA, Regional Director

Regional & Property Manager –FirstService Residential

Hello Everyone,

This edition of our newsletter I want everyone to think *Spring Cleaning*.

This is the time of the year to look at areas of your home for black mold, particularly on your roof, walkways and driveways. There are several companies that will treat your roof chemically, and then perform follow up treatments for you twice yearly so that your roof never gets black mold build-up.. If you need help with a vendor, please let me know.

Green mold on your fences and mailboxes is a very simple problem to clean. For your fences, mix 50% bleach and 50% water in a spray bottle. Spray your fence down and then simply rinse. For your mailboxes you can use the Clorox wipes or the same 50/50 solution used for the fences.

Now is also a good time to look at your home for mulch replacement. Both Lowes and Home Depot have been running sales. Also, prior to mulching, be sure you have removed and replaced any dead landscaping.

Additionally, many homes have already repainted. By the close of 2016, all homes that have not been painted will need to do so and will be getting courtesy letters for compliance. All residents that receive the courtesy notice will have 60 days to make application to the ARC for approval of paint colors. Please keep in mind, that even if you are re-painting your home the same color, you will need to still apply to the ARC if you are having a contractor do the work for you. We will still need a copy of their license and insurance information.

Now some items that may help you when selecting a contractor and paint.

Most builders use flat paint, because it is the cheapest. The more sheen you have in a paint, the cost goes up. Sheens of paint are typically flat, eggshell, satin, semi-gloss and hi-gloss. When repainting your exterior, use a satin finish on the body of home and semi or gloss finish on the trim and doors. The sheen in the satin and gloss will help protect the paint longer from the weather and sun's rays. Also, be sure to seal your home prior to applying the new paint with a good waterproofing sealer.

Here are a few quick signs to know if it is time to paint:

Do you see "stair stepping cracks" along the sides of the home? These are cracks that follow along the concrete blocks of the house.

If you wipe your hand on the walls of the home, do you get a chalky film on your hand? If so, this is the paint breaking down.

Do you have mold stains that will not come off anymore?

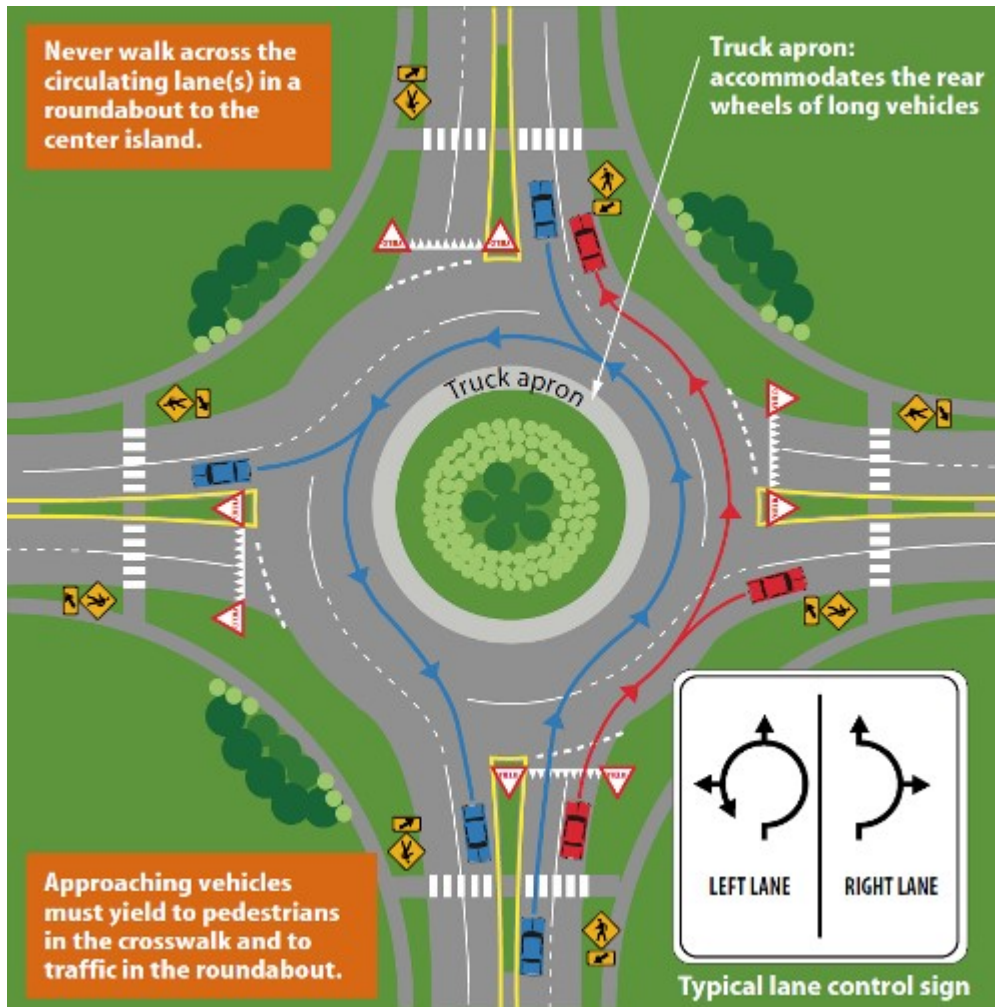
The following contractors have made special pricing for Heritage Oaks and have already worked in Heritage Oaks. They are also licensed and insured. Please be advised that the Board of Directors, Management Company and/or Association, does not endorse any of these contractors. This is merely some ideas on companies out there. You select your own contractor.

M & P Painting- 772-626-0201 , Colors By Design Painting- 772-834-5102 , M & E Painting- 772-528-4323

Keep Our Neighborhood Beautiful. Take Pride In Your Home

Refresher On Roundabouts

Driving through a multi-lane roundabout is a trickier than driving through a single-lane roundabout since you have to select the right lane depending on the exit you plan to take. Most two-lane roundabouts allow **traffic in the right lane to turn right and go straight through the roundabout**, while **traffic in the left lane must go straight or turn left**.



1. Approaching the roundabout. Slow down and select the appropriate lane, depending on the exit you are planning to take. You must select the lane in advance while it is still allowed by pavement markings. Yield to any pedestrians crossing the street.
2. Yield to traffic already on the roundabout, wait for a gap and enter it.
3. Signal your intent to exit the roundabout as soon as you pass the street before your exit. If you are driving in the left lane, be aware of other vehicles that may be on your right.
4. Yield to any pedestrians that may be crossing the street and exit the intersection.

Memorial Day Facts:

Celebrated on the last Monday in May.

Several towns claim to be the originators of Memorial Day but in 1966, Congress declared Waterloo, New York, to be the birthplace of the holiday.

Memorial Day originally honored military personnel who died in the Civil War (1861- 1865).

The holiday now honors those who died in any war while serving with the United States.

It is also called Decoration Day.

Timeline:

May 5, 1866 - Residents of Waterloo, New York, observe a Memorial Day in honor of all who died during the Civil War. Businesses are closed and soldiers' graves are decorated.

1868 - General John Alexander Logan officially proclaims May 30, 1868, as Memorial Day in honor of the Union soldiers who died in the Civil War. Until after World War I, southern states celebrate a separate Memorial Day in honor of the Confederate dead.

1971 - Congress declares Memorial Day a national holiday to be celebrated the last Monday in May.

December 28, 2000 - President Bill Clinton signs the "National Moment of Remembrance Act," which designates 3:00 p.m. local time on Memorial Day each year as the National Moment of Remembrance.

U.S. War Casualties:

Civil War - Approximately 620,000 Americans died. The Union lost almost 365,000 troops and the Confederacy about 260,000. More than half of these deaths were caused by disease.

World War I - 116,516 Americans died, more than half from disease.

World War II - 405,399 Americans died.

Korean War - 36,574 Americans died.

Vietnam Conflict - 58,220 Americans died.

Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm - 383 U.S. service members died.

Operation Iraqi Freedom - 4,424 U.S. service members died.

Operation New Dawn - 73 U.S. service members died.

Operation Enduring Freedom - 2,349 U.S. service members died.



Mark Your Calendar
July 4th Family BBQ And Pool Party
1:00 - 5:00 PM
Updates To Follow

COMMUNITY COMMITTEES

ARC Committee

Chair - Judy Silliman (pending Board approval)

Covenant Committee

Chair - Judy Weidenholz

Communications Committee

Chair - Estelle Noack (pending Board Approval)

Clubhouse/Pool/Social Committee

Chair - Joe Sargent (pending Board Approval)

Family Activities Committee

Chair - Shellie Morgan

If you would like to volunteer on a committee, please email info@heritageoakshoa.net

At The Clubhouse

MENS POKER

Monday 7 PM

New High/Low Game Thursdays 7 PM

LADIES POKER

Tuesday 7 PM

BOOK CLUB

1st Wednesday of the month at 2:30 PM

CANASTA

New Canasta (we are looking for new and/or experienced players)

Thursday 7 PM

MAH JONGG

Thursday 1 – 4 PM

THE GYM IS OPEN

24 / 7

POOL AND SPA

Open dawn to dusk



Why Scoop The Poop ?

It doesn't take much to remember that we have pets in our Community. In fact, if you don't watch your step, your liable to step in one such reminder!

Besides being unsightly and smelly, animal waste can be hazardous to the health of our children who play in the Community and other pets. One of the most common forms of disease transmission between dogs is through fecal matter.

When walking your dog in our Community, remember that it must be leashed. Also, it is important to immediately clean up after your pet. Take along a baggie with you to pick up waste with and then dispose of it properly.

By taking a few simple steps to clean up after your pet, you can contribute not only to the beautification of Heritage Oaks, but also towards the elimination of one of the most irritating nuisances in our Community.

Making Any Changes Don't Forget To Obtain Approval First !



A Message From The ARC Committee:

Our governing documents require that the Association approve all proposed architectural and landscaping changes before any work is started. The importance of this requirement cannot be overstated when you consider the reason for such a restriction.

Membership in a community association requires compliance to pre-existing conditions and regulations. One of the biggest advantages of these conditions is the protection of our property values. The value of your home is directly related to the condition, appearances and aesthetics of our community as a whole. By regulating the kind and types of architectural changes that can be done, our Association is better able to maintain our property values.

Getting our Association to approve all proposed architectural changes is not just a good idea to protect your investment, it is a requirement! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our Association Manager or email ARC@heritageoakshoa.net