

Plantation News

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We Are All Looking To a Brighter 2021

Your Board is planning for the future, and so can you

STREETSCAPING The trees along Sterling and Plantation Lanes have been removed to prevent further damage to the roadways. The Board has engaged Far West Landscaping to assist us in options for replanting the islands. They have presented three possible ideas:



- Harrison Boulevard-ish with new tree selections (lowest maintenance);
- Dry Creek with gravel, rock features, dwarf plants, grasses (medium maintenance); and
- Colorblock featuring perennials and annuals that somewhat mirror the golf course entrance (highest maintenance).

A mix and match combination of the three may develop as the design takes shape.

Anyone interested in participating in the selection of these options please contact our Board president.

YOUR SPRING PROJECTS As you are planning home improvements for next year, remember that any outside projects (painting, landscaping, roofing, fencing, etc.) must be submitted to the AECC Committee.

ASSOCIATION UPDATE >>>

A Message from Your Board President



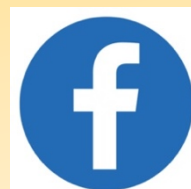
Holiday Greetings from your Board. We hope you're enjoying this second newsletter. Our volunteers creating this colorful and informative newsletter are planning quarterly editions. We used the cancellation of our annual meeting as a kickoff in November and wanted this one out

before Christmas to announce the return of luminarias. There are also articles here about other ways to enhance communication, with even more volunteers stepping forward.

BUDGET The Board thought it was important to make the 2020-21 Master Association budget available to anyone interested. It has been posted on our webpage. No big changes in the budget, with no increase in dues. The big project, from the B Budget only, is to complete the streetscape replacement in Plantation and Sterling Lanes. Please contact our Treasurer if you have any questions.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS Stay safe so we can all welcome in the New Year.

Facebook - Plantation Community Chat Page We invite everyone to visit the newly created Facebook page "to communicate positive posts, events, interesting information, and to meet and greet your neighbors." It is a private page and you must request to join. (Thanks to Cathleen Aiken for helping create this page.)





Luminarias are back for the holidays

After taking a break last year, our luminarias will be back this year.

Paper bags and candles will be delivered to each home the week of December 14. The sand to weigh down the bags and provide support to the candles will be delivered on December 18 in its usual place in the pullout near the entrance on Plantation River Drive.

If anyone needs extra supplies, the Instruction Sheet with the bag and candles will provide contact information.

Thanks to:

- Andrea Fogleman and Cathleen Aikman for organizing the return of this tradition
- Volunteers who organize and sort supplies, and who bring them to your doorstep
- Great community suppliers – Lou Aaron at Westside Drive-In, Capitol Lumber and Albertsons.

Set up your luminarias and light them at 6 pm on Christmas Eve. Then, take a winter walkabout to enjoy the community celebration!

ONLINE RESOURCES >>>

Access documents and contact information online

Visit our website

www.riversidemanagement.com/plantation_master_association

The communications team recently recruited by the Board is working to make our HOA web page a resource for all residents. Currently you can find:

- A list of Board Members and their contact information
- Contact information for the AECC (Architectural and Environmental Control Committee) who work with homeowners to approve exterior changes to properties
- A link to the CC&Rs (Covenant, Conditions and Restrictions) that apply to all residents
- The 2020-21 HOA Budget
- A downloadable newsletter

Please let us know what else you would like included.

GIVE US YOUR FEEDBACK >>>

Would you like to receive Board updates & newsletters by email?

The Board and the communication team have been discussing the possibility of moving from a printed newsletter to an electronic newsletter distributed by email. This would not only reduce printing and mailing costs; it would also allow for communication on any time-sensitive issues or needed advisories.

If we did, would you sign up to receive e-newsletters by providing your email address?

Seasonal Reminders:

- KEEP YOUR SIDEWALKS CLEAR OF SNOW & ICE
- KEEP YOUR DRAINS AND GUTTERS CLEAR OF LEAVES AND DEBRIS
- KEEP YOUR PETS SAFE – AND PLEASE PICK UP AFTER THEM
- KEEP A CARING WATCH ON NEIGHBORS – AND CHECK IN ON THEM
- KEEP SUPPORTING OUR LOCAL SMALL BUSINESSES
- GARDEN CITY TRASH PICK UP OF HOLIDAY TREES IS JAN. 7, 2021

Thank You for Your Comments on Name Change

In our last newsletter, we asked for your comments as the Board considers changing the name of our Neighborhood and/or Association to maintain identification with the golf course, now re-named The River Club.

The responses supported the idea of changing our name to align with “The River” name. But not to pursue changes to the street names to avoid the confusion and burden of address changes.

The Board wants to hear from more people in our community. Send an email to Kent or any board member (listed on our webpage).

What do you think of the possibility of changing our name?