



Tarpon Shores Chatter

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Manager's Corner

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First, I would like to thank all of the owners who have responded to our letters regarding lot maintenance issues. Whenever anyone visits the office looking to purchase a home, one of their first comments is how well maintained the park is. While we recognize it isn't perfect, you can take pride in the fact that Tarpon Shores has a great reputation in the surrounding communities as it relates to being a great place to live and enjoy the activities that the park offers.

Reminder: When scheduling vendors to perform work at your residence, it would be helpful if you would tell them to use the entrance off Northgate Drive. Many vendors use their GPS to plug in the address and the system typically directs them to turn at the entrance off US 19, which is gated. The vendor then must turn around or they walk over to the office to ask how they can gain entrance into the park.

For Sale as of the printing of this edition:

Homes for sale:

7 Drury Lane; 144 Melody Lane; 171 Melody Lane.

Homes sold and closed:

HELLO

216 Seagull Dr. – Virginia Ross/Lawrence Shaw
143 Melody Ln – Steven & Barbara Madrick
225 Dixie Ln – Yeteshwar Ramiksoon &
Nowranie Jones

GOODBYE

Ronald Lee & Dawn Faulkner
Edward & Ginger Silfies
Randall & Donnal Sproul



The purpose of the Tarpon Shores Chatter Newsletter shall be to promote social, recreational, and park activities for the benefit of our residents. Our goal is to share information and to encourage a quality and active lifestyle as well as spreading goodwill among our residents. The newsletter shall not include editorials or opinion news articles.

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The Association is resurfacing the pool and sealing the pool deck area. Please plan accordingly!

Thank you for your patience and cooperation during this time.

"Things You Should Know"

Excerpt Taken From The
Rules & Regulations

2: GUESTS

(a) Visitors are welcome, provided they adhere to our Rules and Regulations. Lessees are responsible for their guests' actions. Therefore, they should familiarize their guests with the Rules and Regulations. Individual guests or families staying more than seven (7) consecutive days are required to be registered with Association.

(b) Individual guests and/or families staying more than thirty (30) consecutive or cumulative days in one calendar year will be considered an occupant and shall abide by the rules stated in Article 1 "ADMISSION".

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August Birthstones, Flowers and Zodiac

August Birthstones:

- Peridot

August Birth Flowers:

- **Gladiolus**, a symbol of strength and love, provides height to the garden and a splash of much-needed color in the final full month of the summer season.
- The **poppy**, known best for its red color and made famous by a poem written more than a century ago, has long been associated with those lost during times of war.

August Zodiac signs:

- July 23–August 22 Represented by the lion, Leos are said to be confident, outgoing, and creative, with a strong spirit. They may also be generous, loyal, and natural leaders, but can also be attention-seeking, arrogant, and impatient. Leos are said to enjoy being the center of attention, recognition, and praise, as well as creative projects and spending time with loved ones.
- Virgo -August 23–September 22 Represented as a young maiden carrying a sheaf of wheat, Virgo is the sixth sign of the zodiac.

August “Just for Fun” Days

- National Chocolate Chip Cookie Day...August 4
- Sandcastle Day.....First Sat. of August
- Sisters Day.....August 6
- International Cat Day.....August 8
- Book Lover’s Day.....August 9
- Annual Perseid Meteor Shower – Peak Night
August 11- 13
- National Garage Sale DayAugust 10
- Relaxation Day.....August 15

August Astronomy

August is often a great month for stargazing, with many astronomical events to see:

• Perseid meteor shower

This prolific shower peaks between August 11–13, but you can still see meteors even when it’s not at its peak. The meteors are colorful and often leave trails, and if you trace them backward in the morning around the peak, they seem to come from the constellation Perseus.



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Fun Facts About August:

Like other months, August has its share of excitement. Although it is usually very hot, we like it for the Emancipence celebrations and food festivals. Many enjoy its harvests of summer crops. Others welcome August for holidays and beach outings. But there are other interesting things about the golden-shiny month. Here are some August fun facts:

1. In the original Roman calendar, August was first called Sextilis, Latin for the sixth month. It was renamed in honour of Rome's first emperor, Caesar Augustus. Later, January and February were added to the calendar, making August the eighth month.
2. In a standard year, no other month starts on the same day as August. But in a leap year, August begins on the same day as February.
3. The first sandwich was made on August 6, 1762, when the Earl of Sandwich asked for a dish with meat between two pieces of bread. Legend has it that he ordered the meal in the middle of a gambling game and didn't want to interrupt it.
4. The birth flowers of August are the gladiolus, representing calmness, infatuation and integrity and the poppy, whose red tones signify peace, while the white and yellow express consolation and wealth and success respectively.

5. In the Caribbean, we start independence celebrations in August because Jamaica and Trinidad and Tobago got theirs in this month, 6th and 31st respectively.
6. Many powerful and popular Jamaicans were born in August including Marcus Garvey, Usain Bolt, Leon Bailey, Beanie Man, Spice, Lisa Hanna and Beres Hammond.
7. Whether it's a standard year or leap year, August always ends on the same day of the week as November.
8. If you were born in August, you reign under one of the two August stars: Leo and Virgo. Leos are considered as very proud people who display great leadership while Virgos are analytical, hardworking, kind, and loyal.
9. August is the only name of a month that features among the top 1,000 men's names. April and June are in the women's top 1,000.

Folklore for the Season

The Anglo-Saxons called the month of August "Weod month" because it's a month when weeds and other plants grow rapidly! We like to think of August as the peak time for picking! In much of the country, here's what's in season: Summer Squash/Zucchini.

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5	Larry & Linda Bertetto
6	Donald & Joan DeLong
	Alan & Augustine Riddell
19	William & Nancy Fortier
20	Richard & Carol Cardinale
26.....	Robert & Joan Bucher
29	Jim & Anita Goga
30	Jerry & Ann Saylor



August Birthdays



8/1.....	Larry Manion
	Mary Otto
	Salvatore Esposito
8/2.....	Teresa Hiatt
8/3	Gregory Lyons
8/5.....	Marlene Gentry
8/6.....	Douglas Scott
8/7	Michele Parker-Wooten
8/8.....	Carol Rossel
	Guy D'Arezzo
8/9	Mark Arle
	Robert Conley
8/10.....	Yvonne Sowers
	Natalie Witors
8/11.....	Joan DeLong
8/12	Jerry Saylor
	Mahmoud Fazelipour

8/13	Gale Connolly
8/14.....	Richard Cardinale
	Rosanne Conley
8/15	Gerard LaLonde
	Monique Plourde
8/16	Allen Austin
8/19	Richard DeMoors
	Gloria Ferrera
8/22	John Deboard
8/23	David Brown
8/24	Edward Marzheuser
	Bryan Davis
8/26	Joseph Lombardo
8/27	Tom Williams
	William Mills
8/30.....	Susan Lyons



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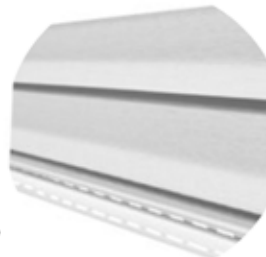
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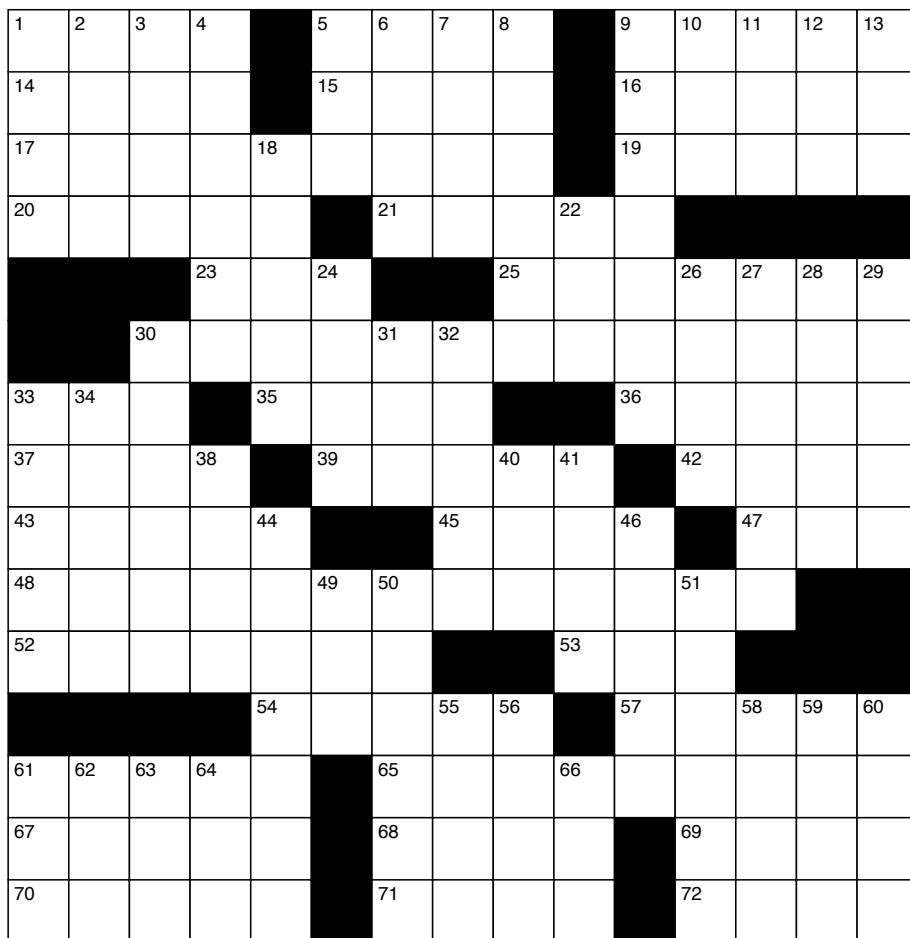
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1. Way out
5. Lavish celebration
9. Database fodder
14. Horse gait
15. Cookie topper
16. Eerie glows
17. The boss
19. Word after bank or city
20. Rock's ____ John
21. Super, in showbiz
23. Michael Steele's org., once
25. Outdated, in dictionaries
30. With liveliness
33. Rather or Marino
35. "Hercules" TV spinoff
36. Change
37. Relief map figs.
39. New coins of 2002
42. Vegetarian's staple
43. Nose holes
45. Big test

47. " ____ a girl!"
48. Pole-vaulting, relay races, etc.
52. How one might stare, when bored
53. Island welcome
54. Equivalent of C sharp
57. Bivouac sights
61. "Chances are, 'cause ____ a silly grin..."
65. Hit snooze too many times
67. Artist Rivera
68. Taboo thing
69. Fully aware of
70. Sanction
71. Hoity-toity one
72. Adam of "Batman"

(solution on page 18)

Down

1. Old, in Oberhof
2. Dupe
3. Checkup visit, for short
4. Having new vigor
5. Rickey ingredient
6. Hail ____ (wave from the sidewalk)
7. Letterman rival
8. Palestinian chief Yasir
9. Auto exec Lee
10. Void, in French
11. Post's opposite
12. One-time Mideast org.
13. "Naughty!"
18. Building add-on
22. Weekday abbr.
24. Saskatchewan Indian
26. Word before "Who goes there?"
27. Certain breath mint
28. Start of a Bennett title
29. Secretary of State Vance
30. Lure, in a way
31. Bearded antelope
32. Dog-____ (shabby)
33. "Inferno" author
34. Morning rouser
38. Denomination
40. Respected English univ.
41. Go by yacht
44. Slum area
46. Joins together
49. 1930s pol. ____ Landon
50. Victoria's Secret stock
51. Stay out of sight
55. Stratford-upon-____
56. The ____ 'clock news
58. Aloha State bird
59. Annual Vietnamese holidays
60. Dalmatian feature
61. Rhoda's mother, on "Rhoda"
62. Actor Wheaton of "Stand By Me"
63. Conger ____
64. Of a previous time
66. Actor Lowe

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4	5 7:00 am Golf 6:30 pm Texas Hold'em	6 7:00 pm Euchre	7 12:00 pm Arts and Crafts	8 6:30 pm Texas Hold'em	9 1:30 pm Bowling	10
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(Please refer to back page for guidelines)

(Homeowner please read and sign page 2 of this form)

Homeowner Print: _____

Address: _____ Date: _____

Description of work: (please attach a clear drawing, sketch or diagram)

Contractor's name: _____

Contractor's phone number: _____

Approximate start date: _____ Completion date: _____

.....
Date Approved: _____ Signed: _____

Special Conditions: (Please see page 3) .

.....
Date Denied: _____ Signed: _____

Reason for denial: _____

Additional information needed: _____

GUIDELINES FOR MAKING A REQUEST FOR IMPROVEMENTS, CHANGES OR ADDITIONS.

All requests to make changes, additions or alterations to or around the outside of your home must be submitted to the office for review.

This form and any accompanying paperwork must be turned into the office no less than 2 weeks prior to the start of work.

Requests must be on the front of this form which asks the following:

1. Written description of exactly what is to be done.
2. Drawing of proposed work needs to be attached.
3. Drawing should show position of home and any existing improvements on lot.
4. Description of materials to be used including style, color, etc.
5. Proposed construction timetable with proposed completion date.
6. Improvements must not infringe, restrict, impede, hinder, obstruct or be in conflict with neighbor's property, common area and set-backs.
7. All improvements must be consistent in color and style of existing dwelling.
8. Homeowner is responsible for locating and marking underground utilities. Contact Sunshine Dig-Safe at phone number 811.
9. Homeowner is responsible for any damage to neighbor's property, common areas, and all underground utilities that have been located/marked or not located/marked.

These guidelines are not inclusive of homeowner responsibilities regarding maintaining or improving your home. Please refer to the Tarpon Shores Rules and Regulations for detailed information.

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Tarpon Shores is not required to provide City of Tarpon Springs permits. All work that requires a permit (City or County) is the full responsibility of the homeowner and a copy of the permit must be turned into the office.

The jobsite must be kept clean and orderly. All work materials must be removed immediately following completion of the job.

Homeowner Signature: _____

Date: _____

ADDENDUM FOR REQUEST FOR IMPROVEMENTS, CHANGES OR ADDITIONS

Special conditions:

Use caution digging. Many unmarked utility lines are underground such as potable water, irrigation water, electric lines, cable TV lines, etc. These utility lines/pipes are most likely not buried very deep.

Please prepare the area by delicately digging/trenching and identifying where the lines are located prior to the commencement of the construction work. Move any lines that have to be relocated.

Kindly contact the office prior to digging so we can attempt to give you a general idea where the lines are buried. We do not have plans/blueprints to some of the buried utility lines so the park will not be responsible for accurately identifying these lines.

Contact Sunshine Dig Safe at telephone number 811.

Please schedule all work to be done Monday – Thursday. If you break a main line or individual line we may have to contact a plumber and this can get costly if it is after hours. The homeowner who breaks a line is responsible for all payments associated with its repairs.

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8	3	9	1	6	7	4	2	5
2	6	5	4	9	8	3	1	7
7	4	3	6	2	1	8	5	9
6	2	8	3	5	9	7	4	1
5	9	1	7	8	4	6	3	2

2024 GOING AWAY FORM

TO: ALL RESIDENTS
FROM: MANAGEMENT OFFICE

Please take a few minutes to fill out this form and return it to the office.
If you are leaving Tarpon Shores for an extended period it is very important that we have this information updated each year. Thank you!

Name(s)

Date Leaving

Anticipated Return Date

Tarpon Shores Address

Northern Address

Phone Number

Northern Phone Number

The person who will take care of flowerbeds & weeding in my absence is:

_____, Phone Number _____

The person who will take care of my sprinklers in my absence is:

_____, Phone Number _____

In case of emergency I have left a key with:

_____, Phone number _____

EMAIL ADDRESS FOR EMERGENCIES _____

(Please print legibly)

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Tarpon Shores RO Association Park Concerns

Date: _____ Name: _____

Home #: _____

Lawn Service Damage Forms

Please note going forward, issues with the lawn service should be submitted in writing to the office using the form below. Please complete the form in its entirety and turn it into the office as soon as possible following your particular incident. Thank you.

TARPON SHORES – LAWN SERVICE DAMAGE OR COMMENT FORM

Tarpon Shores
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Date of Damage: _____

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