



# Tarpon Shores Chatter

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## Manager's Corner

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*Charla Galbraith, CMCA, AMS PCAM®*

It's hard to believe summer is almost over. Where does the time go? It has been a fairly quiet summer here in Tarpon Shores. We are happy to report that the rains have vastly improved the condition of most of the lawns in the community. There are still a few areas that require attention but overall, the community looks very good.

We dodged the "bullet" as it relates to Tropical Storm Debby. There was minor damage to a couple of coaches but other than that the park withstood the winds and rain throughout the ordeal.

The upgraded Spectrum service began on August 1. Residents can enjoy additional channels plus faster internet access. The best part of the upgrade is that there was no price increase for residents, thanks to the negotiations

between the Association and the Spectrum representative. The only additional cost to residents would be for services not included in the bulk package provided to Tarpon Shores.

In future editions of the Chatter, I will be inserting specific excerpts from sections of the Rules and Regulations to highlight the procedures and requirements for such things as maintenance, pets, alterations to the exterior of the home, etc. It is hoped that by singling out specific sections it will help owners understand the reasoning and/or ramifications of certain maintenance issues.

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Barbara Straiano



**September 4**

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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### Fun Facts About September

1. Out of all 12 months of the year, September is spelled with the most letters. It contains nine letters, and it happens to be the ninth month of the year. No other months have the same amount of letters as their number in the calendar year.
2. A little-known, but highly significant holiday falls in September. September 17th is Constitution Day, which marks the day that the U.S. Constitution was adopted.
3. There are more pop and classic songs with "September" in the title than any other month.
4. We all know that Labor Day is in September, but did you know that September also has a few little known holidays? Among these are National Grandparent Day, National Cheese Pizza Day, and National Drink-a-Beer Day.
5. Zodiac signs in September are split between Virgo (August 23 – September 22) and Libra (September 23 – October 22).

**Virgos** are known for being loyal, practical, thoughtful, analytical people who sometimes come off as cold, but it's only because they're taking a methodical approach to friendship (like most aspects of their lives).

**Libras** are a little different. Their main characteristics include being diplomatic and fair. They like harmony, dislike being alone, and always strive for peace and justice in the world.

**The birthstone for September** is the Sapphire which is said to reduce inflammation, treat fever and act as a lucky charm for the person wearing it. It symbolizes intuition, clarity of thought, peacefulness, as well as loyalty and trust.

## "Things You Should Know"

*Excerpt Taken from The*  
**RULES AND REGULATIONS**

### Page 5 – Paragraph 4 -THE HOME

(d)- All skirting is to be white split brick, solid brick, matching siding or lattice work. If matching siding or lattice work is used, a border made of material that cannot be damaged by string trimmers must be installed at ground level. All awnings, patio covers, carports, and storage sheds are to be white or a color that matches the color of the home. Newly installed homes must have skirting that prevents animals from gaining access to the home.

The lawn service uses string trimmers to trim around the home where a lawn mower cannot reach. These motorized tools inherently will cause damage to aluminum siding, vinyl siding or any other material that can be damaged.

To protect any type of material that extends to ground level on the home (skirting), it is recommended that a border of 12 to 16 inches be installed. This protective material can be patio pavers, poured concrete, flat concrete "squares" (12"x 12"/12" x 18"), or decorative edging stones. This improvement must be approved by the Association after an Architectural Review Committee (ARC) form is submitted.

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- 1..... Nancy Fortier  
 5..... Shirley Zutes  
           Mark Pier  
 8..... Tom Drummond  
           Donald Dostie  
 9..... Albert Halegoua  
 10..... Gena Bogard  
 11..... John Zulpo  
           Robert Renfro  
 13..... Cheryl Terryberry  
           Suzanne Martin  
 14..... Kathy Negrin  
 15..... Deborah Hill  
           Laurie Collins  
 16..... Anthony Vaseloff  
 17..... Shirley Gustafson  
           Joseph Yanulavich  
 18..... Nowranie Jones  
           Heide Marzheuser  
 19..... William Fortier  
 23..... David Sands  
 24..... Nancy DelConte  
           Anthony Trotta  
 27..... Mary Bucklin  
 28..... Shirley Williams  
           Nick Erwin  
           Albert Raschiatore  
 29..... Dianna Williams  
           Rick Carone



## Tarpon Shores Bowlers



The bowling season will start on Friday 10/18 at 1:30 at Maple Lanes.

There are openings for full-time bowlers and subs. Full-time bowlers will pay \$14. This pays for bowling, prize fund and banquet. Subs pay \$10.00. They will not receive prize money and need to pay for the banquet.

You can join the league whenever you arrive. Some full-time bowlers don't start until January!

I will be making up teams in September. If you are interested, please call or text me at 814-450-4915.

Kathy Tracy

## Important Information

The **POOL WILL BE CLOSED** beginning the week of 9/23/2024 for approximately 4 – 6 weeks (weather permitting) while renovations are being made to the pool.

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.

## September Anniversaries



- 2..... Rene & Kate Caskanette  
 5..... Gregory & Susan Lyons  
 10..... Gary & Sandy Trimmell  
 13..... Terry Fairhurst & Heather Harrison  
 17..... Allen & Debra Austin  
           Kevin & Monique Plourde  
 24..... Robert & Judith Lesperance  
 26..... Nancy & David Sands

## Words of Advice

If you have a wonderful man or woman, who helps balance your whole world... Who isn't perfect, but is perfect for you. Who works hard and would do anything for you... Who makes you laugh and drives you crazy, who is your best friend and sometimes your only friend, who you want to grow old with, who you are thankful for every day. Take good care of him or her because it's a blessing.



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The fall season is approaching and our friends and neighbors will soon be returning to our Florida homes. We welcome everyone back for a safe, fun filled 2024-2025 season! This season's planned events are listed below. Chairpersons are still needed for some of them. Please contact a Board member with your interest. As always, we welcome and encourage recommendations for any additional social and/or educational events that you may be thinking of!!

- Fri. Oct. 18 **Bowling** @ Maple Lanes 1:30pm  
 Sat., Oct. 26: **Halloween Dance** Chairs: Debbie Yanulavich and Sandy Harden  
 Band: Carl Motyka (one man band who plays the Clearwater/St Pete beach bars)  
 Thurs., Nov. 7: **Social Club Meeting** 9am  
 Fri., Nov. 15: **Fall Dance** Chairs: Beth Fitz and Sharon Dasenbrock  
 Band: Tom Davis (return performance!)  
 Thurs., Nov. 21 **Membership & Budget Mtg.** 9:00am  
 Thurs., Nov. 28: **Thanksgiving Dinner** Chairs needed  
 Thurs., Dec. 5: **Social Club Meeting**  
 Sat., Dec 14: **Men's Breakfast** Chair: Brien Stewart  
 Date TBD: December **Christmas Golf Cart Parade** and holiday celebration  
 Chair: Nicky Parker and Lisa Losekamp  
 Wed., Dec. 25: **Christmas Dinner** Chairs needed  
 Tues., Dec. 31 **New Years Eve Celebration** Chairs: Barb Turner and Barb Lewis  
 Band: Over The Edge  
 Thurs., Jan 2: **Social Club Meeting**  
 Fri., Jan 10: **Karaoke** with Jim Johnson (2 other dates TBD)  
 Sat., Jan. 11: **Men's Breakfast** Chair: Brien Stewart  
 Sat., Jan. 18: **Trash and Treasure Sale** Chairs: Inside Sales: Judy Demko;  
 Outside Sales: Chair needed

- Thurs., Feb 6: **Social Club Meeting** 9am  
 Sat., Feb. 8: **Men's Breakfast** Chair: Brien Stewart  
 Sun., Feb. 9: **Super Bowl Party** Chairs: Cheryl and JD Duncan  
 Thurs., Feb. 13: **Valentines Day Dance** Chairs: Larry Reichert and Lenny Meinhart  
 Band: Mustang Mafia (return performance)  
 Thurs., Mar. 6: **Social Club Meeting** 9am  
 Sat., Mar 8: **Men's Breakfast** Chair: Brien Stewart  
 Fri., Mar. 14: **St. Patrick Day Dance** Chairs: Valerie Preston, Rick van Barnveld, Paula and Marty Bellini  
 Band: Carl Motyka (return performance)  
 Thurs., April 3: **Social Club Meeting** 9am (final meeting of season)

### **Ongoing events with starting dates TBD:**

Bingo Shuffleboard Mahjong Women's Club LRC  
 Golf Bowling Euchre Texas Holdem  
 Mexican Train Pickleball Library Welcome Committee

### **Possible upcoming events with dates TBD and chairs needed:**

Easter Dinner..... Sun, April 20  
 Pizza Party ..... date TBD  
 Senior Olympics ..... date TBD  
 Bowling Banquet ..... date TBD  
 Golf Banquet ..... date TBD

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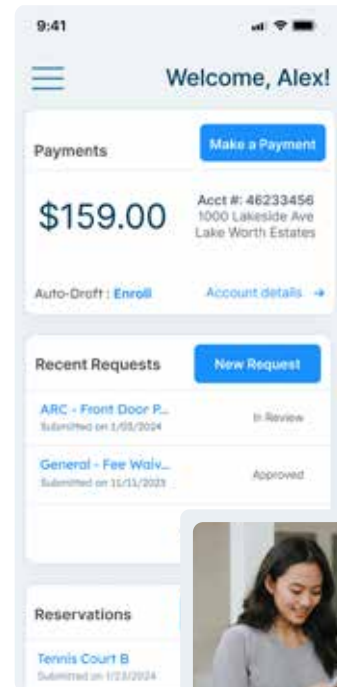
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8		9	7:00 am Golf 6:30 pm Texas Hold'em	10	7:00 pm Euchre	11	12:00 pm Arts and Crafts	12	6:30 pm Texas Hold'em	13	1:30 pm Bowling	14	
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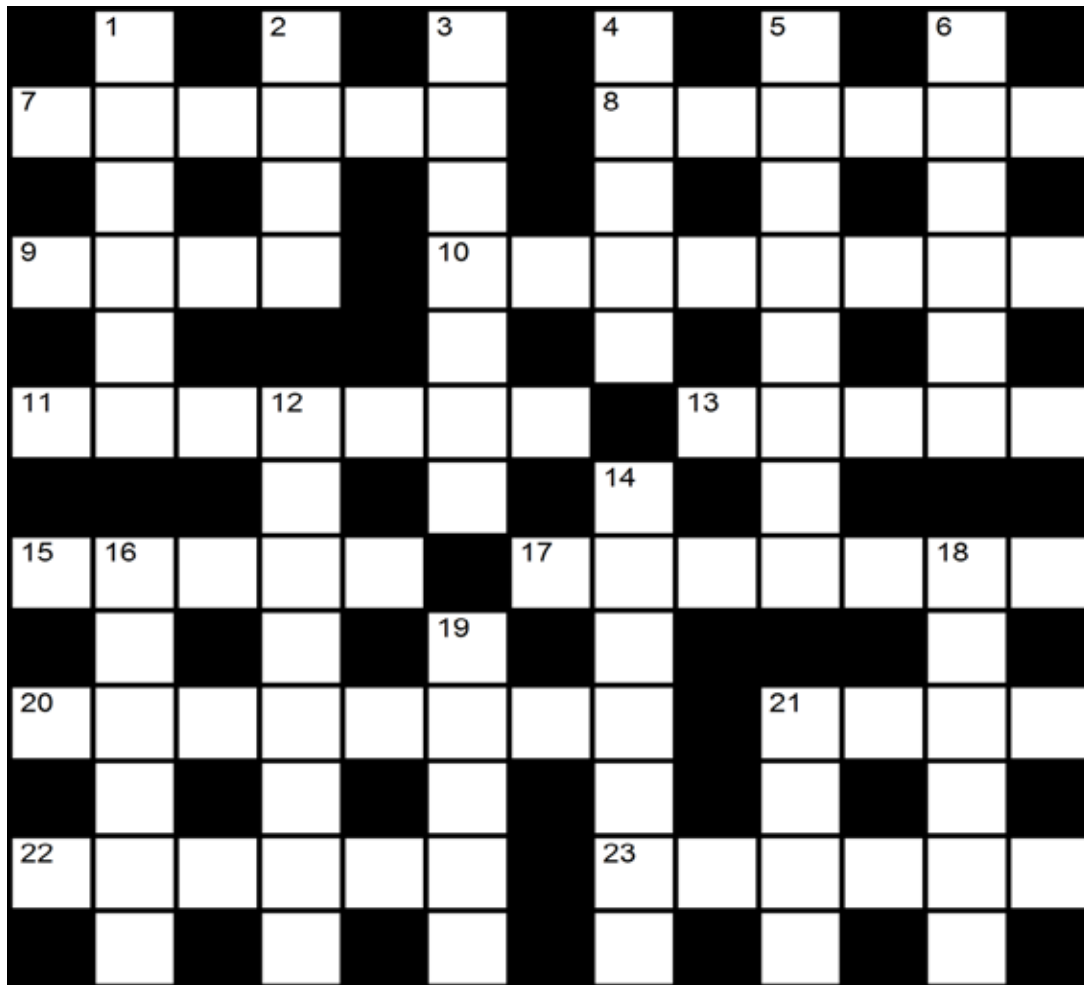
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(solution on page )

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### Across

- 7 Thin plate
- 8 Public speaker
- 9 Knowing
- 10 Feeling of uncertainty
- 11 Wailer
- 13 Vestibule
- 15 Waste conduit
- 17 Kind of block
- 20 Pig feet
- 21 Wound mark
- 22 Go back
- 23 Cocktail preparation vessel

### Down

- 1 Cereal meal
- 2 Be in accord
- 3 Domestic rodent
- 4 Inferior
- 5 Without shoes
- 6 Ruffle
- 12 Flowering vine
- 14 Haunt
- 16 Breadwinner
- 18 Moulded
- 19 Flu symptom
- 21 Concrete section

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## **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.

Project working hours: Monday – Saturday 8 A.M. to 6 P. M. NO SUNDAYS

Plumbing working hours: Monday – Thursday 8 A.M. to 2 P.M.

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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# **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)

The office does not hand out keys for rentals, pest control, deliveries, etc. Keys for individual unit owners are kept in the office for emergency use only.

Please have a friend, neighbor or relative inspect the interior and exterior of your home on a regular basis and after every severe storm.



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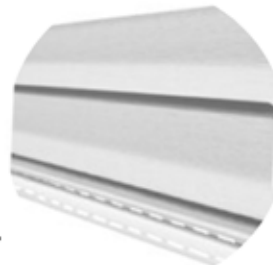
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**If you have any concerns that you would like to bring to our attention, please complete this form including your name and house number and drop it off at the office in the box provided in the lobby. Thank you.**

## Tarpon Shores RO Association Park Concerns

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home #: \_\_\_\_\_

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## 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  
89 Rachel Drive  
Tarpon Springs, FL 34689

Date of Report: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Damage: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

UNIT #: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_

YOUR COMMENTS OR DESCRIPTION OF DAMAGE: \_\_\_\_\_

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