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HAPPY NEW YEAR! Important Information in this issue you won't want to miss!

****Notice of LGPOA Bi-annual Elections**

****LGPOA Annual Membership Drive**

****Mark your calendar- LGPOA annual meeting date announced**

****LGIFR Update**

January 26th, next LGPOA Meeting & Poker Run at 10am at the Placida Condos

The first LGPOA community event of 2019 will be Saturday, January 26th at 10 am. It will take place at the Placida Condos in the grassy area or inside by the pool. Please bring your own beverage to add to your coffee or hot chocolate if you want, a cooler if needed and a charged golf cart!

It's not a race, just a cruise! Once the meeting is over, we'll start the Poker Run. We travel to 5 locations on the island, receive a card from a board member at each and those cards make our poker hands. The top three poker hands will be awarded prizes once everyone returns!

You'll be able to join the LGPOA, update your current membership information and volunteer for future events on site if you'd like.

Rain or shine, let's get together and celebrate the New Year!

****Notice of LGPOA Bi-annual Elections - Districts 1,3,5 & 7**

From Secretary, Terrie Weibley:

The current representatives for Districts 1,3,5 & 7 have expressed willingness to continue to serve in their positions. In some cases, they have only recently begun to serve in order to fill spaces that were opened by the transfer of island property ownership or death. Those currently serving are:

District 1 – Rhonda Olson (Vice President)

District 3 – Deric Flom

District 5 – Jeff Cowherd

District 7 – Paul Holmes (Treasurer)

If you would like to run for election to serve on the Board of Directors in lieu of a currently serving director and own property in one of these districts (see corresponding property addresses below), **please email a brief written statement introducing yourself and delineating why you would like to serve.** Statements will be posted on the LGPOA website and emailed to all LGPOA members. Elections will take place immediately following the Annual Meeting on Saturday, March 30th. Please submit your statement of interest to LGPOA Secretary Terrie Weibley at tweibley1@gmail.com no later than February 18th, 2019.

Addresses Corresponding to District Numbers:

#1 – 8000 – 8288

#3 - 8594 – 8888 excluding 8546, 8554, 8558, 8562, 8566, 8574, 8582, 8590, and excluding even numbers 8802 – 8818 (even #'s)

#5 – 9140 – 9394

#7 – 9420 – 9646 excluding 9494, 9498, 9502

**** LGPOA Annual Membership Drive**

From Membership Chair, Dawn Bokar:

Current LGPOA memberships will expire on April 30, 2019, the last day of the LGPOA's fiscal year.

On or before April 30th, we welcome your on-line renewal at [membership link](#) or, your paper submission via US mail. 2019 membership packets will be mailed in mid-February.

****Mark your calendar- LGPOA Annual Meeting & Potluck Picnic**

From Vice President, Rhonda Olson:

This years Annual Meeting and Pot Luck Picnic will be held at the Placida Beach Condos on Saturday, March 30th. The meeting will start at 11am and the picnic will follow.

Bring a chair, a dish to pass and your neighbor! The food is always so good. You can bring a side dish or a dessert. Your dues will provide the main course, paper products and water. Bring a beverage of your choice if you'd like.

****Little Gasparilla Island Fire and Rescue (LGIFR)** (The LGPOA is not affiliated with the LGIFR, we just want to keep you up to date on all island activities.)

From Fire Chief, Bill Underhill:

With the recent electrical issues, FPL has determined there is a faulty feed underground at the Hide Away Condos. They made route changes to get power working for everyone and will be deciding what to do and when to make the repair.

We have owners and renters returning to the island. As we enjoy our time here, please keep a few things in mind:

1. **Water Safety.** We are getting reports of RIP current conditions frequently, and with the recent weather there have been more obstacles exposed both in the water and on the beach.
2. **Golf Carts.** Check your batteries and connections, if something does not look or smell normal call the golf cart shop or the fire station.
3. **Boats.** For those of you with boats, keep a check on your bilge pumps and all drain plugs, a failure with either of these is a serious problem.

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Please feel free to email me at twrhonda@gmail.com with any information you'd like circulated in the next month's Coconut Telegraph by the 25th of the month. Content is reviewed by board members for approval.

Happy Holidays to all!

Rhonda Olson