

LakeRidge Falls

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Here are the more important stories we had this past and upcoming weeks:

2020 Election – Last night, LakeRidge Falls held its Annual Meeting and for the first time it was held in the newly renovated clubhouse. Once again, LakeRidge Falls demonstrated an outstanding community spirit with about 200 owners attending in person or by proxy. After a productive meeting, Ms. Judy Buffa and Mr. Calvin Fitzgerald were elected to serve on the Board of Directors. Ms. Lori Klein and Ms. Lynn Gregg will continue their second year in office. As one may notice, this year the Board of Directors will consist of four Board members and not five as in past years. Nevertheless, the Board reserves the right to appoint by an affirmative vote any member who may come forward wishing to fill the one vacancy.

Following the Annual Meeting, an organizational meeting took place in which the new Board of Directors chose its officers. Ms. Klein was elected to be LakeRidge Falls' new President; Ms. Gregg was elected as Vice President; Mr. Fitzgerald was elected to serve as the new Treasurer; and Ms. Buffa was elected to serve as LakeRidge Falls' Secretary. I want to take this opportunity to congratulate the new Board of Directors and wish all a successful and productive year.

I want to take this opportunity to personally thank Mrs. Mary Cochran, Mr. Dick Dorn, and Mr. John Sullivan for their hard and dedicated work serving this community for the past four years. As someone who worked closely with them, I can testify to their endless level of care which was demonstrated by the many hours they volunteered in serving the community. While not all may agree with the decisions made, I am sure many may agree that during their time on the Board LakeRidge Falls reached new levels of efficiency and excellence. Finally, I would like to also thank all the great members of the different Committees who finished their terms this year. It was a great pleasure working with all of you during this past year and I am sure all members of this Association appreciate the long hours you contributed and the dedication in your services. You have a significant and vital role in making LakeRidge Falls one of the best communities in all of Sarasota and Manatee counties.

Dryer Vent Cleaning – A couple of residents recently inquired about cleaning the lint from the dryer machine's vent. This is a good reminder to raise awareness among residents regarding cleaning dryer vents. While it is not required by the Association, cleaning and clearing dryer vents is always a good idea. Although most think that cleaning the lint filter regularly is enough, the fact of the matter is that a lot of the lint finds its way through the filter building up into the vent line. This prevents efficient airflow to the dryer vent which in return causes the dryer to work harder which produces more heat. Because lint is highly flammable, this can lead to a fire. Therefore, we strongly recommend that residents take action on this matter and hire a professional company to clean their dryer vents. We encourage residents to come together and hire one licensed and insured company for this job in order to enjoy a block price which may save some money for those who choose to take on this project.

Fitness Center – One of the Fitness Center users advised us that one of the treadmills is not working properly. To her account, the treadmill speed pace was voluntary fluctuating while the treadmill was in use. Following the report, we placed a service call with Gym Source, LakeRidge Falls' fitness equipment maintenance company. The technician who came onsite advised that the issue is most likely the result of software, which needed to be updated. He also advised that it may take a few days for him to bring and install the updated software. Therefore and until such time, this treadmill is temporarily out of order. We wish to thank you in advance for your understanding on the matter and promise to report once it is up and running again.

Brown Water – We received a couple of reports from residents in the community stating they experienced some brown water coming out of their faucets. As we came to learn, this is the time of the year Southern Manatee Fire Rescue seems to test and/or flush fire hydrants outside the community. When doing so, it can cause some sediment to stir into LakeRidge Falls' water system causing the water to turn brown. Therefore, and for the future, please contact Manatee County Utility Customer Service Center at 941-792-8811 to report similar matters as they will provide an immediate solution to the matter.

Phase II of Long-Term Landscape Plan – A couple of weeks ago, West Bay Landscape, LakeRidge Falls' landscape maintenance company, was onsite performing landscape work inside and around the pool area. More specifically, West Bay enhanced the landscape based on the long-term plan as composed by the Long-Term Landscape Group and approved by the Board of Directors. If you recall, the Long-Term Landscape Group was established to create a long vision landscape architecture design in order to achieve a unified environmental and aesthetic look for LakeRidge Falls' common landscape areas. To make a long story short, we promised to share before and after pictures from the project. Here are some pictures as promised.



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