

# LakeRidge Falls

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

**9/11 Terror Attacks** – Today marks the 19<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the terror attacks against the United States. Looking recently through some of my old photo albums, I came across a few pictures taken while living in New York. The pictures were taken exactly 20 years ago. In honor of all the victims and their families, I would like to share these pictures with you. May we never forget them.



**Landscape/Palm Trees** – A couple of weeks ago, we announced that ACI Tree Care division is on-site performing the semi-annual pruning of the Queen Palms and the annual trimming of all the other species of palm trees such as the Sabal, Washingtonians, and Chinese Fan Palms. In the report, we mentioned that ACI crews may be dispatched to Louisiana following the aftermath of Hurricane Laura to provide disaster assistance, mainly tree removal. Therefore, we reported that it may take longer for them to finish the job. And indeed, all ACI crews, except one, were dispatched to Louisiana because the damage is much more significant than anyone originally thought to be. For this reason, not much work has taken place since then. After some discussion with the owner of the company, we are happy to announce that ACI was able to recruit another crew. Starting yesterday and for the next week, two crews will be on-site to finish this

task. A final reminder, please note that Foxtail Palms will not be trimmed as they are considered self-pruned palms. As always, we thank you for your patience and understanding of this matter.

**Pool** – On the same report mentioned above, we advised that the Association placed an order for new umbrellas and umbrella bases. We also advised that this order was based on a recommendation made by the Pool Committee, which was later approved by the Board of Directors. We are happy to announce that the five 9 ft blue commercial umbrellas and five white free-standing umbrella bases with wheels are scheduled to be delivered by Florida Patio Furniture this upcoming Wednesday.

On a related issue, several residents choose to sit under the covered area located near the club room and annex buildings' FACP (Fire Alarm Control Panel) room. While there is no issue with pool users utilizing this shady area, while exercising social distancing, of course, a specific location in which the pool furniture is used or left behind may cause a problem. You see, some pool users choose to sit near or leave behind pool furniture on the path of the club room's glass door. As a result, the access for those who wish to enter or leave that room becomes blocked. More importantly, people who exit the club room may hit those sitting too close to the door or simply run into an empty chair in the process. Of course, we need to avoid this situation. Therefore, we installed a blue tape, as can be seen in the picture below, marking the door opening area. We are asking that pool users do not sit or place a chair in that location for the safety of all. Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.



**Clubhouse Usage** – This week we were informed that some residents are not following the rules that govern the usage of the Association's amenities during COVID-19. While this is the last thing we wish to do, enforcement measures are inevitable. Please note that these measures are not there to punish those who fail to follow the rules, but to protect all

members of the community. So just in case, you are not aware of the rules, which can also be found on the Association's website and the bulletin board, here are the restrictions/guidelines for using the Association's clubhouse:

**All residents prior to any events or participation understand that we strongly encourage you to review the Federal, State, and Local. You agree to participate at your own risk and to follow the COVID-19 guidelines established within the LRF facility.**

All open Association meetings will now be in the Grand Salon, to allow for more participants while maintaining social distances. Association business meetings will continue to also utilize GoToMeeting for participants not able to physically attend, either due to space limitations (especially for Board meetings) or for health or location reasons. Those wishing to reserve any of the rooms in the Clubhouse other than for Association business should contact the Office Staff by phone or email to check availability; business meetings have priority.

1. We will limit the number of people in the Grand Salon at one time to 30 in order to comply with social distancing requirements. Closed-circuit cameras will be on as usual and we encourage residents to remind others if they are over-capacity. The Multipurpose Room will be limited to a maximum of 14 people at a time, the Activities Room to a maximum of 14 people, and the Club Room in the Annex to a maximum of four (4) people.
2. Users should maintain the recommended social distancing of 6 feet from others at all times.
  - a. Seating is limited to four (4) chairs at the large round tables and two (2) at the smaller square tables.
3. A face mask or other face-covering is required.
4. Everyone must use the hand-sanitizing gel at the front entry or their own upon arrival.
5. Everyone must wipe down all contact parts of tables and chairs before and after each use as well as anything else they touch, such as pool cues or computer keyboards.
6. If supplies become low, please notify the office staff via email or phone – please do not go to the offices unless you have made an appointment.
7. No food is allowed, and the kitchen is not available at this time.
8. Water fountains are out of order; bring your water bottles with lids.
9. Restrooms are available.
10. Continue to put library materials in the basket in front of the clubhouse for quarantine.

**The responsibility of safely using the facilities is on every user. Please DO NOT use the facilities if you are having any symptoms of COVID or have had exposure to anyone with COVID to ensure the safety of everyone.**

We ask that you please make sure to follow these guidelines and restrictions.

Have a healthy and safe weekend.

Sincerely,

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