

# ODED'S WEEKLY REPORT

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**PARKING LOT REPAVING**– As reported last week, Asphalt Maintenance, a local asphalt maintenance company, as the name may suggest, completed the repavement of the Clubhouse's deteriorated parking lot. Once concluded, it was very apparent that Asphalt Maintenance did an outstanding job! As always, we will let the pictures tell the entire story.





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**BIG BIN ADVANTAGE** – As reported last month, Manatee County is going to initiate a new garbage, recycling, and yard waste program. In short, Manatee County's residents will receive in the near future a free 96-gallon gray garbage bin, which is "...designed to accommodate increased waste volumes, reduce litter, and support the County waste haulers as they transition to more efficient, automated collection systems."

As we know, garbage, recycling, and yard waste collections are scheduled on separate days, i.e., Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday. The new program, however, is designed to streamline these services by coordinating all pickups on the same day. Manatee County advises that this new program is likely to be fully implemented by early October. Therefore, the new weekly collection schedule, effective October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025, for garbage, yard waste, and recycling will all be collected once per week on TUESDAY. Each material type will be picked up separately, but all collections will occur on your designated collection day.

Now, those who pay close attention to the size of this new gray bin the county is planning on providing would notice it is pretty large. You see, most residents in the community are using 32-gallon cans. That is, the county is going to provide all residents with a garbage bin that is 3 times the size of their current garbage can. Leaving aside for a second that the average person in this community does not produce enough waste to support the usage of a 96-gallon bin, some residents feel uneasy knowing they will be required to haul out, and then in, a heavy 96-gallon bin, a somewhat heavy 64-gallon bin (the blue recycling bin), and yard waste on the same day. And this is without mentioning the space in the garage to accommodate these two bins.

## BIN SIZES



One of the residents who voiced such concerns to us is a long-time member of the community, Ms. Jo Mooy. Determined to provide a solution to her fellow neighbors, Ms. Mooy reached out to Manatee County to find out how residents can obtain a smaller bin than the 96-gallon bin. The good news is that residents may order a smaller bin from Manatee County by phone, 941-748-4501, by logging into their Manatee County Utilities Dept. account, [mymanatee.org/css](https://mymanatee.org/css), or by visiting [mymanatee.org/BigBin](https://mymanatee.org/BigBin). The bad news, however, is that the smaller bins would not be available until January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2026. Until such time, residents would be required to use the larger bin.

We wish to take a moment to thank all members and residents who bring such matters to our attention, and especially to those who do above and beyond in bettering the lives of their fellow neighbors. This is simply yet another example of why LakeRidge Falls is a community not like any other.

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**POOL TEMPERATURE** – Those who used the pool in recent days may have noticed that the pool is hotter than usual. Following a couple of reports by pool users, we placed a service call with Symbiont Services, LakeRidge Falls' pool/spa geothermal system maintenance company, to inspect the units that regulate the pool temperature. After the diagnostic process, the technician concluded that the pond pump, the pump that “feeds” the geothermal units with pond water to cool, in this case, the pool water, was full of shells. Apparently, the pump “sucked” shells from the pond, which clogged the impeller. Without the pump being able to produce pressure, the units can't work. Of course, the technician made sure to clean the pump and assured the pump was up and running again. Unfortunately, the technician also discovered that the small shell had also clogged the coils of four out of the six geothermal units. Unable to address this situation, it was advised by the Association that another service maintenance visit is warranted to solve this issue. Until such time, the pool temperature would not be able to be regulated appropriately. Nevertheless, Symbiont Services promised to schedule the service call as soon as possible. As always in such situations, we wish to thank all in advance for their understanding and patience on this issue.

**SIDEWALK MAINTENANCE** – If you walk along the Victoria Neighborhood, i.e., Victoria Falls Cir and Kariba Lake Terrace, it would be hard to miss the orange neon strips on the sidewalks. As reported a few weeks ago, LakeRidge Falls's Roads & Grounds (R&G) Committee surveys the Association's 5 miles of sidewalks each year as part of a preventive maintenance program. Once concluded, we submit their findings to a local concrete company, which evaluates and thereafter presents a professional opinion on what work should take place. As you may have guessed, the marked areas with neon orange/pink spray are areas that were identified as ones that required attention. However, unlike previous years, this time repairs are being done based on sections. Once the work on a section is concluded, a new section is marked and addressed. Last month, we addressed the Clubhouse area and LakeRidge Blvd. This month, we address the Victoria Neighborhood. Next on the list is the Sandstone Neighborhood. With this in mind, please note that Mr. Ron LaCivita, a local concrete vendor, is scheduled to be on-site to work on the identified areas. Until then, please make sure to exercise caution when walking along these marked sidewalk sections. Thank you in advance for your cooperation and understanding in this matter.



Have a quiet and safe weekend,

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